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**Schechter School  
Office Hours  
(Winter):**

**Monday-Thursday  
8am -4pm**

**Friday  
8am- 2:30pm**

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### For Your Calendar:

**November 22  
Noon Dismissal**

**November 23  
Thanksgiving  
SCHOOL CLOSED**


**November 27  
Professional  
Development  
No Classes**

**December 6**

**Shabbat Shalom**  
Parashat Vayeitzei  
Candlelighting 4:06 pm

**November 22 , 2017  
4 Kislev, 5778**

**Exciting Zachs Family Challenge for FOSS donations!**



**DOUBLE  
YOUR IMPACT!**

**Announcing the Zachs Family Foundation  
Matching Challenge:**  
*Dollar-for-dollar match for new and increased giving  
to the annual campaign and all gifts to Schechter's  
endowment. Match ends at the end of the calendar year.*

Contact Sherri Pliskin, Development Officer  
[spliskin@ssds-hartford.org](mailto:spliskin@ssds-hartford.org) | 860-561-0700

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**[Donate Now!](#)**

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## PA Book Fair

**December 10**  
**Wine, Cheese,  
Cookies, and  
BOOKS!**

**December 11**  
**7th Grade to NYC  
9/11 Memorial and  
Jewish Heritage  
Museum**

**December 12**  
**First Hannukah  
Candle**

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## Quick Links

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## Join Our List

Would you like a grandparent, relative, or friend to receive the Schechter newsletter? Email [ASobel@ssds-hartford.org](mailto:ASobel@ssds-hartford.org) and include the name, email address, and relationship to Schechter and we will add them to our list!



## MORE Teva!!!



## LATKES AND RELISH!

A community-wide Hanukkah celebration for all ages,  
bringing the warmth of Schechter's Friday morning  
Shabbat RELISH to the joy of Hanukkah.

*Free and open to the public.*



**Bring your family and friends for  
Singing, Storytelling, and Delicious Latkes**

**Sunday, December 17, 2017. 2:30-4 pm**

At Solomon Schechter Day School  
26 Buena Vista Road  
West Hartford, CT 06107

Kindly RSVP: [rsvp@ssds-hartford.org](mailto:rsvp@ssds-hartford.org)

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## A Message from Andrea - In Gratitude

**Thank you for choosing to be part of the  
Schechter community!**

**Happy Thanksgiving,  
Andrea**

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## Follow Schechter on Twitter & on Facebook!!!

To keep up with all the happenings at SSDS,  
Follow us on Twitter [HERE](#) and on Facebook [HERE](#)





## TEVA Tripping

The Sixth Grade class returned recently from their four-day, three-night sojourn at the Teva Outdoor Learning Center at Camp Isabella Friedman. Teva combines outdoor science and environmental education together with a Jewish perspective on environmental responsibility.



They hiked daily (including a 'night stroll'), learned about nature, ate meals based on a dairy/vegetarian diet and made new friends with other sixth graders from throughout New England and New York (including Sharon, MA, Providence, R.I., New Haven (Ezra Academy), Albany, N.Y. and NYC).







They learned and sang and danced to many environmentally-themed songs. At the Wednesday morning tefillot, our students distinguished themselves by helping to lead part of Shaharit services deftly. In addition, they began to plan how they are going to BBTOS (bring it back to our school).



Our students began the work of becoming shomrei adamah (guardians of the Earth). All in all, our sixth graders had a great experience. I can't wait to help chaperone next year's sixth graders!



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## FOSS Back to School Cocktail Party!

Thank you to all who came to celebrate, explore and experience all of Schechter's awesome new classrooms!



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# FOSS





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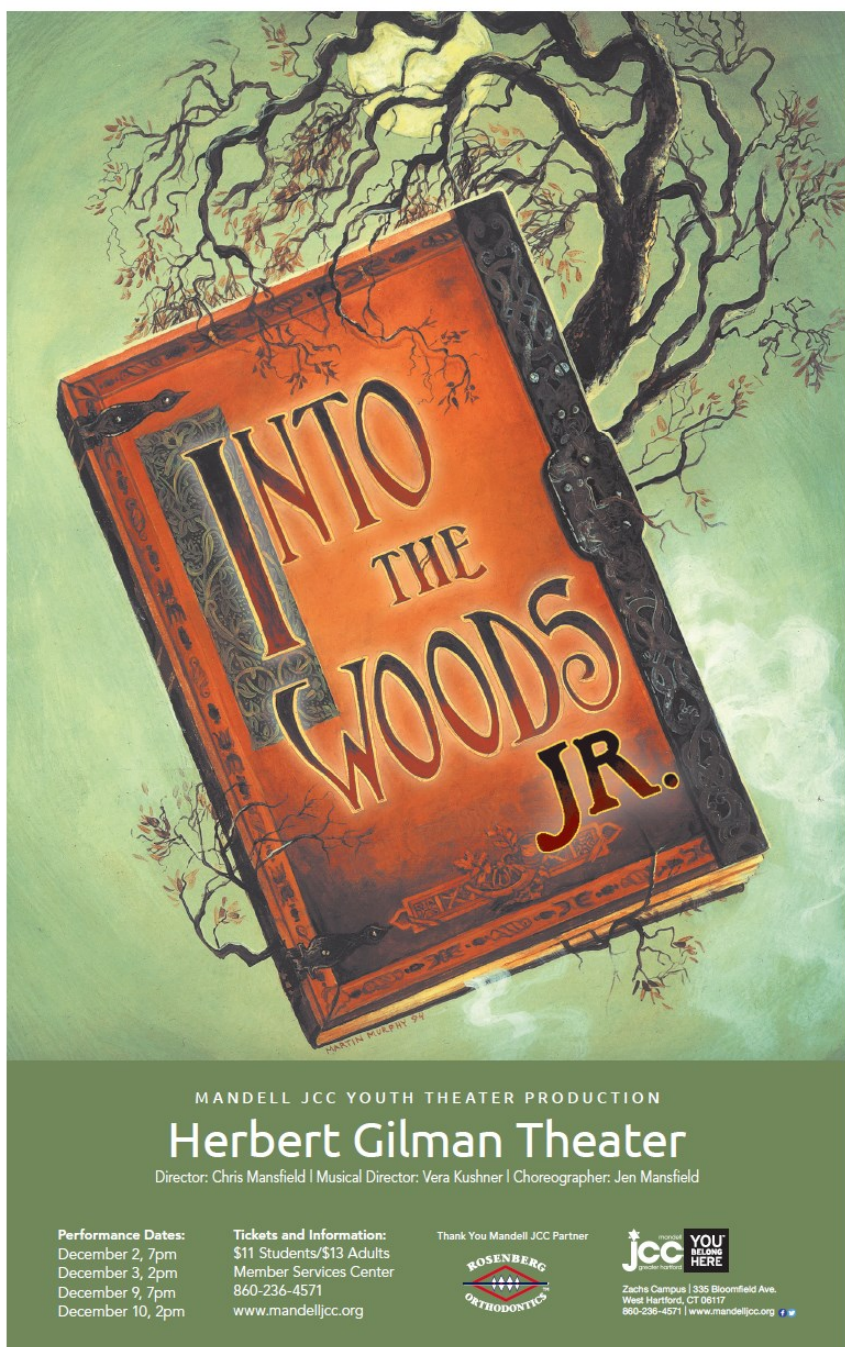


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Check out Schechter Students  
**Alyssa** (Gr. 7), **Lily** (Gr.5),  
**Zelia** (Gr. 4) and **Eliana** (Gr. 4)  
in the production of Into the Woods Jr. !!!





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**Coming Soon - Just in time for Hanukkah:  
The Scholastic Book Fair!  
December 6 - 12**

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Proudly Presents

# Talent Show

## SAVE THE DATE

When: Sunday, February 4 at 3 pm

Where: Schechter Auditorium

For questions, contact Bella Medvedovski  
shnayder@hotmail.com

Showcasing the talented students of Solomon Schechter

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## Annual Toy Drive!!!

Once again we are pleased to join forces with the Jewish Children's Service Organization (JCSO) to help support their annual Channukah Toy Drive. JCSO is a local organization that offers individual financial support for basic needs such as food and clothing, college scholarship assistance, awards to Jewish educational and recreational facilities, as well as financial aid to Jewish children in need.

We ask that families bring in new toys, books or money for tzeddakah that can be applied towards gift cards.

Thank you for your support!!



# ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

Solomon Schechter Day School  
of Greater Hartford



**WE WILL BE COLLECTING NEW  
UNWRAPPED BOOKS AND TOYS  
OR MONEY FOR TZEDAKAH  
until MONDAY, DECEMBER 4**  
Benefitting Jewish Children's Service  
Organization (JSCO)

Collection Bins will be placed outside classrooms

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# TURKEY BOWL

## Flag Football Tournament

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH  
12:30PM AT KING PHILLIP FIELD

BRING FRIENDS!  
MUST BE AT LEAST 12 YEARS OLD TO PLAY

RSVP/QUESTIONS?  
ELI - ELIAROESTY@GMAIL.COM



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## “Light One Candle”

*A Hanukkah Celebration for the Entire Congregation!*



- **Tues. Dec. 12**
- **6:00 – 7:30 pm**
- FREE and open to ALL**

Join your *extended Emanuel Synagogue family* for the lighting of the first candle of the Chanukiah, Hanukkah Stories, Arts & Crafts and more! Please feel free to bring your own family Chanukiah to light along with us!

*The evening will include:*

- **DINNER** courtesy of: Emanuel Connections
- **LATKES** courtesy of: Brotherhood
- **SUFGANIYOT** courtesy of: Adult Ed
- **DREIDELS and GELT** courtesy of: Sisterhood

For Tikkun Olam, we are accepting donations to support IsraAID's efforts in aiding survivors of the Yazidi genocide. IsraAID is Israel's largest nongovernmental, nonprofit, international, humanitarian organization.

Event location: The Emanuel Synagogue 160 Mohegan Drive, West Hartford, CT.

RSVP BY DECEMBER 10 TO: <http://evite.me/1fdWbwBqwP>

For more information contact David Bomzer (Emanuel VP), at [tdbomzer@gmail.com](mailto:tdbomzer@gmail.com)

[www.emanuelsynagogue.org](http://www.emanuelsynagogue.org)

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### GIVE OUR NEW NEIGHBORS A HELPING HAND! Toiletry Drive for Centro de Ayuda

**Imagine arriving in a new place with the clothes on your back and not much else.**

Thousands of Puerto Rican and other Caribbean refugees are arriving in Hartford in the aftermath of Hurricane Maria. Let's extend a hand of friendship!

The Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Hartford is partnering with local synagogues and Jewish agencies on a toiletry donation drive. Donations will be distributed by the Centro de Ayuda Para Nuestros Amigos Caribeños (Relief Center for our Caribbean Friends) in Hartford, managed by the Capitol Region Education Council (CREC).

#### What Is Needed

Please donate the following new items in closed packaging:

- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Deodorant
- Soap and body wash
- Washcloths and towels
- Feminine hygiene products

#### DROPBOX LOCATIONS

Drop off your donations to:

Community Services Building  
Zachs Campus  
333 Bloomfield Avenue, West Hartford  
(enter off Simsbury Road)

Monday - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Saturday and Sunday - Closed

Or drop off at a participating synagogue, school or agency: Congregation Beth Israel, Hebrew High School of New England, JTConnect in Farmington Valley, Mandell JCC Early Childhood Center, Solomon Schechter Day School, Temple Beth Hillel of South Windsor, Temple Sinai, Young Israel of West Hartford

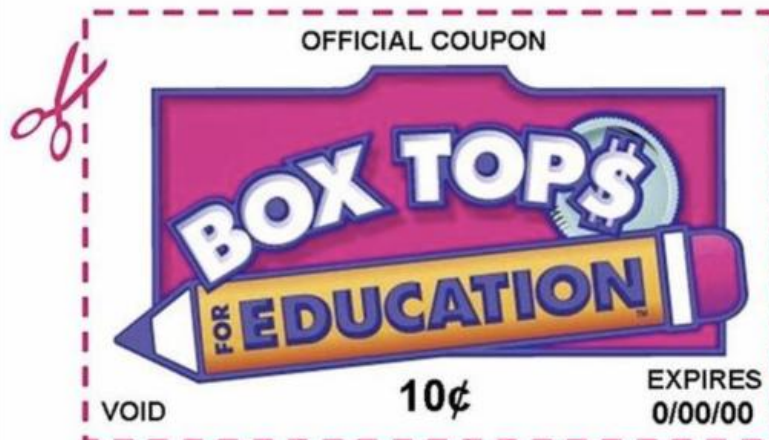
#### Questions?

Please contact Alana Butler at 860-727-6152 or  
[abutler@jewishabuthartford.org](mailto:abutler@jewishabuthartford.org).



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## Let's get clipping!

Box Tops for Education is **free money** for our school!

There are many brands that you may purchase that  
have this coupon on them...

Pillsbury

Kleenex

Ziploc

Betty Crocker

General Mills

Hefty

Box Tops will be collected the **First Friday of each month!** Drop them off in any of the collection bins you see around the school. Be sure to visit [www.btfe.com](http://www.btfe.com) to sign up for additional offers, support Solomon Schechter and even download the easy to use app!

Thanks for your support!

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