Schechter Shavua

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Solomon Schechter Day School of Greater Hartford

#SchechterPride in Dubonim creativity... inclusivity for LGBTQ youth... and a warm send-off for an adventurous classmate!

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... our **Dubonim** artists! Our youngest students had a special treat this week when they visited the "big kid" ArtStudio. The students worked with Ms. Van to make texture paint using glue, kidney beans, oats, sand, and lentils in a wide range of colors. The multi-step process was a breeze for Dubonim, being excellent listeners and following directions to have a great time in this sensory art experience!



Schechter's Core Values: Promoting Inclusivity

Schechter middle school students met with Joanna Ware, <u>Keshet</u> facilitator, to learn more about LGBTQ language and inclusion and take the next step to living our values of community, *lev tov* and wisdom. In their first meeting they thought about the societal expectations of different genders and explored the the spectrum of gender, gender identity, and gender attribution.



The workshop helped build

shared vocabulary, awareness and sensitivity so that we may support and become allies to all members of our community.

On Tuesday night, Keshet also sponsored an open discussion at Schechter for all members of the community. We were happy to welcome current parents, alumni parents, faculty, and alumni to the conversation!



Farewell, our Friend... or as they say in Paris, Au Revoir!

Rimonim student **Asher**, who will be spending several months in Paris with his family, had a fond farewell from all of his Schechter friends. Asher has previously lived in France, and has shared his tales with classmates. He will certainly be missed; now the Rimonim students will have a penpal and SeeSaw pal to connect with over the pond! They are looking forward to trading stories with one another in the coming months and

can't wait for Asher to come back to Schechter at the end of his adventures.

À bientôt (see you soon) Asher!



The PA needs your help!! Don't miss out on sending your Purim wishes!

Purim is just around the corner and will be celebrated in school on Thursday March 21st. By now, everyone should have received an email with information about our Mishloach Manot (Purim Basket) fundraiser. It is the PA's biggest and only fundraiser of the school year.

We are in need of volunteers to help pack Purim baskets at school on **Tuesday March 19** starting at 8:30 am in the auditorium. We are also need of volunteers to help deliver Purim basket routes in the community on either **Wed evening 3/20** or **Thursday 3/21** during the day. These are great one-time opportunities to get involved in helping the Parents Association.

If you have any questions about this fundraiser, how to place your online order, or would like to volunteer your time to help, please contact Leah Berson at thebersons@comcast.net



Sunday, March 17th 2:30-4pm

26 Buena Vista Road West Hartford, CT 860.561.0700 Costumes Encouraged Free and Open to ALL!



Bring friends and family to join the Purim fun.... Click <u>HERE</u> for more info and to RSVP!

DANCE!

Israeli Dance Festival! March 19, 2019 7pm @ HHNE gym



Performance by Schechter's K-8 students with audience participation dance to follow!

300 Bloomfield Ave., West Hartford

Save the date!!!



Calendar of Upcoming Events

- March 11: Schechter Playdate
- March 15: Resume 3:30 Friday Dismissal

• March 17: Hamentashen RELISH

• March 19: Israeli Dance Night

• March 21: Purim

• March 21: Megillah reading

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