

Schechter Shavua

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Solomon Schechter Day School of Greater Hartford



A visit with Governor Lamont... Drama Club... Making authentic sufganiyot... Giving Tuesday WEEK... and MORE! We've got pictures and more pictures, so please take a look and see the fantastic things going on at Schechter!

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Sharing our #SchechterPride with Governor Ned Lamont

Some of our Schechter middle school students had the honor of presenting Governor Lamont with hand-made hanukiyot today and spoke to him about some Hanukah traditions. A special bonus: seeing Schechter alumni **Jonathan Harris** (Lamont's Senior Advisor) and **Jeremy Rausch** (intern) along with the governor!



Kicking Hanukah Off with Great Taste!



Nothing says "Hanukah" like homemade sufganiyot! Thanks to Schechter mom **Tsipi Peer** for showing our T'marim and Sh'kedim classes how it's done!! Students learn the process of making the donuts, but they also develop their fine motor skills, learn math and measuring, and practice taking turns... then they'll get to taste their hard work!

To get into the spirit of all that oil, click [HERE!](#)

Latkes & RELISH: Hanukah Fun for the Whole Family!

Singing! Dancing! Latkes! Mini-donuts! Sunday's program was a great way to get into the spirit of Hanukah. We had a fantastic turnout from families and friends of Schechter.

Check out Pictures from Latkes& RELISH!

PJ RELISH Raises Money for CCMC!

Thanks to our students, faculty, and parents for participating in PJ day last Friday. We raised about \$350 for CCMC!



Schechter's Got Too Much Giving to Fit Into "Giving Tuesday"



Because two of Schechter's core values are *Lev Tov* (Good Heart) and *Klal Yisrael* (Community), we have a hard time limiting Giving Tuesday to just one day or one activity! So, in the Schechter spirit, our students extended Giving Tuesday to last more than a week!

Here is only a PARTIAL list of things our students did to benefit the community:

- Sh'kedim and T'marim drew pictures and notes of good wishes and posted them all over the school
- Dubonim made cards for residents of Chatfield Assisted Living
- Bogrim helped read stories and play games with our EC students
- Geshar made inspirational bookmarks for veterans
- Middle School (Habonim and Bogrim) visited residents of Hebrew Health Care, where they played Bingo together
- Parparim made Hanukah cards for the Hebrew Health Care Residents
- Rimomim baked brownies and sold them; the profits will be donated to South Park Inn

- Dubonim also baked treats for our custodian, Veronica, and her family
- Rimonim also made PB+J sandwiches for the South Park Inn

Click below to see some photos of our *Lev Tov* in action!

[See Photos from our Extended "Giving Tuesday" activities](#)

Make Way for Schechter's Drama Club!

The audience roared with laughter as the students from Schechter's Drama Club entertained! **Kate Poltorak** and her students did a fantastic job getting into their roles and acting with enthusiasm and energy. Bravo!!



[Click here to see photos of the Drama Club performance](#)

T'marim and Sh'kedim Teach their Parents!



Early Childhood students love to show their parents what they have learned! *Sh'kedim* class culminated their unit on health and wellness with a "trip" to the doctor/spa, complete with yoga, a doctor's office, and cucumber water. *T'marim* celebrated the autumn season with art projects using leaves.

[Click Here for Pictures of EC Project Culmination](#)

Do your Hanukkah shopping and earn money for Schechter!

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Message from Rabbi Chatinover:

As we approach the holiday of Hanukkah, I just know you're asking yourself the question: "What can I do to support the 8th Grade Israel Experience trip, if giving money doesn't work for me?" Fortunately for you, I can tell you about three different ways in which you can help at no cost to you.

1- If the thought of returning (5-cent deposit) cans and bottles gives you the willies, I'll be happy to take them off your hands. Since April, I've already raised over \$263.00 in can and bottle returns.

2- If you have empty printer cartridges, I can return them to Staples, and credit the returned amount (\$2.00/cartridge, any size) to the 8th Grade Israel Experience trip.

3- Lastly, if you buy Coca Cola products which have a 14-symbols code in the cap (or the cardboard case of a multi-pack), I can redeem them through the MyCokeRewards program. Through this program, I've raised over \$70.00 for this year's class trip.

If you feel that you can help in any of these ways, just let me know, and....
Have a Happy Hanukkah!

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- December 23-January 1: Winter Vacation
- January 2: Classes Resume
- January 3: EC joins RELISH
- January 20: MLK Day- Schook in session

[Click here for More Dates!](#)

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