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#### Calendar

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#### September 16, 2016 13 Elul 5776

#### **Welcome Back To School**

What a wonderful start to the school year! Please enjoy this highlight reel of the first week and a half of school.



Dear Students and Parents,



Wow! What a week! It's been wonderful to meet so many students and parents and to jump right in here at TABC. I thank our superb faculty for all that they've contributed to getting school up and running. We are aware that there are still some challenges with the schedule and we greatly appreciate your understanding and patience as we iron them out.

For your convenience, I've reattached the Whom to Contact list that we sent out a few weeks ago. As always, you can be in touch with me, Mr. Poleyeff or your son's Grade Dean as necessary.

Wishing you a Shabbat Shalom,

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Rabbi Asher Yablok

College Guidance. If you choose the Events calendar, you'll get the main school calendar.
Calendars are available in iCal, Outlook 2007+, Google Calendar, and .ICS formats.

#### Rabbi Yablok on JM in the AM



Did you hear Rabbi Yablok on JM in the AM this week? Here is the link to listen!



#### **Israel Report**

Please click <u>here</u> for the latest issue of the Israel Report

#### **Kol Torah**

Please click <u>here</u> for the latest issue of Kol Torah

#### Faculty Divrei Torah

Please click <u>here</u> for recordings of Divrei Torah by our esteemed faculty

#### **Upcoming Events**

September 18
Teen Learning for Boys
in Grades 6-8
9:45 AM-10:45 AM

<u>September 19</u> College Financial Aid Night



# **Sophomores & Juniors Enjoy Welcome Back Shabbaton**

TABC's sophomores and juniors ushered in the new school year with their Welcome Back Shabbaton this past weekend at Camp Dora Golding. On Friday, they had the choice of paintball, white water rafting or a variety of sports options at the camp. The two grades all joined together for a beautiful Shabbat of tefilah, zemirot, learning and bonding with each other, alumni and their rebbeim. After an uplifting Havdala, they played glow in the dark capture the counselor and more sports, with the evening culminating in a midnight barbecue. The talmidim and rebbeim left energized and ready to bring their ruach to all aspects of their TABC experience. Click here for more pictures.













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<u>September 21</u> Freshman Frenzy

September 25
Teen Learning for Boys
in Grades 6-8
9:45 AM-10:45 AM

September 29 Late Night Learning

October 3-4
Rosh Hashana
No School

October 5
Tzom Gedalia
1:45 Dismissal

October 9
Teen Learning for Boys
in Grades 6-8
9:45 AM-10:45 AM

October 10
Parent-Son Learning

October 11-12 Yom Kippur No Sessions

October 13
Delay Opening
9:15 AM

October 17-25
Sukkot Vacation
No Sessions

October 26
Delayed Opening
9:15 AM

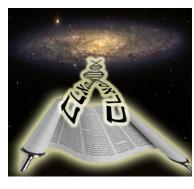
#### **School Hours**

Monday - Thursday 7:40 AM - 5:30 PM

Friday 7:40 AM - 1:21 PM

## **New Science and Torah Elective**

TABC is now offering an elective on the interface of science and Torah. We plan on offering Chadashot readers a weekly digest of the goingson in this extraordinary class with fabulous students. We began the class by presenting the Rambam's grappling with the conflict between Aristotle's assertion of the world's



eternity and the Torah's assertion of a created world. We noted that the Rambam was open to reinterpreting the Torah in an allegorical manner if (and that is a big of) it was conclusively proven that the world was eternal. The Rambam noted that Aristotle merely made a reasonable argument but did not prove the world is eternal, and therefore, was unwilling to reinterpret the Torah in light of Aristotle's argument. Among the manifold lessons we derived from the Rambam was that one should keep an open mind to science on the one hand but, on the other hand, not rush to interpret the Torah allegorically. Great discussions, including the impact of the Big Bang and Torah and science in general emerged during and after class, long after the bell rang.

## Mrs. Miller's Class Creates Neologisms

Mrs. Miller's tenth grade classes have been learning about the development of the English language and the invention of new words to describe contemporary life. We discussed words such as "Brexit," "spork," and "Pokemon." Students formed groups to invent their own neologisms--new words to describe new phenomena, and shared their words with the whole class. Don't be surprised if you hear the new words "bargage," (the act of throwing garbage into the trash as if it were a basketball into a hoop), "famcation," (a family vacation), "chugel," (chulent with kugel cooked into it), or vasisilation (a word derived from Swahili that means walking while looking at one's phone). We're looking forward to continuing our study of the English language.

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#### **Year In Review**



Have you seen our Year In Review? If you missed it you can find it <u>here</u>.

If you'd like a print copy, please e-mail <u>Sharon</u>
Rifkind.

#### **Parnas HaYom**

Thank you to our recent Parnas HaYom sponsors

David & Bryna Malitzky

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To dedicate a day of learning or for other sponsorship opportunities, please contact Sharon Rifkind, Director of Development & Communications at 201.837.7696 x123 or sharon.rifkind@tabc.org.

#### **College Guidance**



Even though school has just begun, the College Guidance Department is fully geared up. Various colleges have already begun to meet with our seniors. This week a representative from the Technion Israel Institute of Technology and Director of Admissions at Binghamton University, Mr. Randal Edouard, came to speak to the seniors. Between now and the middle of October almost twenty-five different college

representatives have scheduled to come to TABC. Next week the University at Albany, Lander College for Men, IDC Herzliya and Washington University of St. Louis will be meeting with some of the seniors and we are very excited to welcome them. The seniors have also begun to meet with both Dr. Garry Katz and Dr. Elliot Prager, with many students already working on their college essays and applications.

#### **Teams & Clubs**

TABC has many opportunities for students to excel and grow outside the classroom. The list of clubs & academic teams is extensive. Please visit our website to read all about them!

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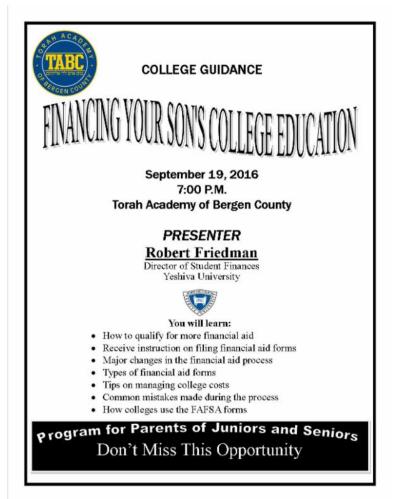
Facebook is a wonderful way to see exciting snapshots of what's going on in TABC between issues of Chadashot. Follow us by clicking Like here.

## Tweeting Up A STORM!

Please follow the Students
Activities Page on Twitter
@TABC Activities. Rabbi
Miretzky, our new Student
Activities Director, will be
tweeting all about the
excitement going on at
TABC.

## Seeking Parent Volunteers

Family involvement at TABC is critical to our success. We are so grateful for the contributions that parents and alumni make of their time, skills and resources. We invite you to participate by joining one of our active committees for this school year. Please click <a href="here">here</a> to see how you can get involved.



An important part of the college admission process is learning about and dealing with the high cost of college. Financial aid consists of grants, scholarships, work study programs and loans. These may be sponsored by the federal government, the state government (you must go to school in your state of residence) and the colleges themselves. Many aspects of the financial aid process have changed this year, so even those who have older children may need the new information. Those who attend the September 19th program "Financing Your Son's College Education" will learn about the different aspects of the financial aid process. The featured speaker is Robert Friedman, the Director of Student Finances at Yeshiva University. The College Guidance Department invites all parents of seniors and juniors to attend. Click here for printable flyer.

## Rabbi Yoni Mandelstam Makes a Siyum with Tzurba Sophomores

TAPA is always looking for volunteers to help with programs and events throughout the year.

Please contact tapa@tabc.org



Chadashot is now archived on our website.
In case you missed a week you can click here to view past issues.

The sophomore
Tzurba D'Rabbanan
class started the
year in an enjoyable,
yet meaningful way.
Rabbi Yoni
Mandelstam made a
siyum on Mesechet
Berachot on the first



day of school. This siyum symbolized the transition from last year's Mesechet, Berachot, to this year's Mesechet, Pesachim. Starting the year with a siyum put a positive tone on the Tzurba program. Students danced, sang, and enjoyed refreshments to begin a great year of learning.

# Soundtrack to Sefer Bamidbar by the Leningrad Symphony

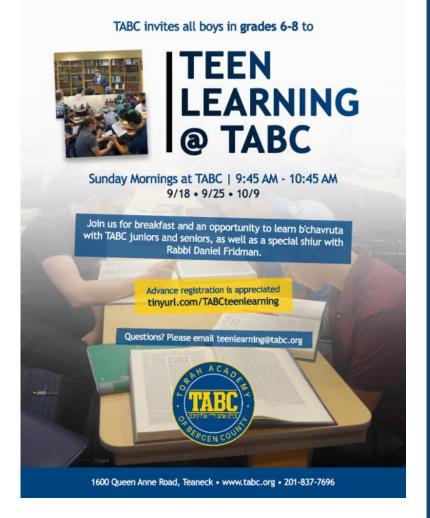
What does the Leningrad Symphony have to do with sefer Bamidbar? Rabbi Jachter, in an unconventional shiur, presented this famous piece written by Russian composer Dmitri Shostakovitch as a possible sound track for sefer Bamibar. The piece, which seeks to convey the siege of Leningrad in music, portrays Leningrad as a peaceful and organized community which was turned by war into chaos. The end of the siege is expressed by the return to calm and order. The same may be said, I'havdil, for sefer Bemidbar. The first ten perakim and last ten perakim contain many lists in contrast to the middle of the sefer which has only one short list but is rife was chaos and disorder. Rabbi Jachter suggests that the long lists in the beginning and end of Bamidbar convey a sense of order at a time when we fully complied with Hashem's directives. The near absence of lists in the middle perakim of Bamidbar express the disorder that ensues when we choose to deviate from Hashem's path. The piece heard by students is found here.

## TAPA Rosh HaShana Greetings

Rosh Hashana is only a few weeks away. Please join TAPA as we share Shana Tova wishes with our TABC families and faculty. Participation includes your name on the E- card greeting as well as a gift for you from TAPA. Please click here to participate.



#### **Teen Learning**



#### **Mazal Tov**



Rabbi Jachter traveled to Israel last week (traveling with TABC's Gush contingent) to be Mesader Kiddushin for Ariel White '10 and Lisa Pachulski. The wedding was held in the late summer evening atmosphere of Jerusalem's Ein Yael. Ten other TABC graduates joined this extraordinary event. Ariel served in the Israeli air force loading bombs on combat planes, then studying engineering at Technion and engaging in lengthy debate with Rabbi Jachter about detailed halacha concerning daily living. The TABC

family wishes Ariel and Lisa a hearty mazal tov and great bracha v'hatzlacha in their married life in Israel.

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