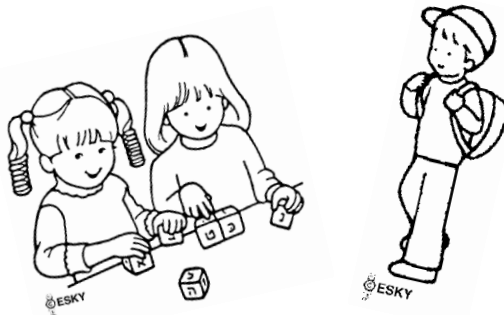


# CHEDER CHABAD OF MONSEY PRESCHOOL



## Parent Handbook Preschool

תשע"ט-5779  
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**Please note: These pages are a preschool addition to the Cheder Chabad parent handbook. Most of the information in the main handbook applies to the preschool as well. There are a few instances where preschool procedures differ from those of the upper grades. Where there is a difference, it will be noted in these pages.**

### **Our staff**

#### **Preschool Director**

Mrs. Chaya Light MS SPED/ED SBL

Mrs. Ayelet Nadav – Behavioral and Educational consultant

#### **Nursery**

Mrs. Yocheved Marmulsteyn

Mrs. Esty Green – full day assistant

Miss Rivky Vekselberg- morning assistant

#### **UPK 's**

Mrs. Chani Munter – morning Morah

Mrs. Nechama Lapidus – Upk afternoon Morah

Mrs. Tova Hott- morning assistant

#### **UPK 'ב**

Mrs. Nechama Lapidus – Upk morning Morah

Miss. Chaya Rochel Shkedi- afternoon Morah

Miss. Shaindy Shkedi – full day assistant

#### **Pre 1 A Girls 's**

Mrs. Rochel Baron – morning Morah

Mrs. Korner – English teacher

Miss. Michal Heller - Full day assistant

#### **Pre 1 A Girls 'ב**

Mrs. Simi Sears – full day Morah

Miss. Aidy Sputz – full day assistant

#### **Pre 1 A Boys**

Rabbi Stefansky – Rebbi

Ms. Miri Schild - English teacher

Rivky Vekselberg- English assistant

## Curriculum

Following, is a list of our curricular goals and curriculum academic content areas. At "Back-to-School Night" your child's teacher will give you more detailed information.

### ACADEMIC CONTENT AREAS:

#### Nursery

- Aleph Bais א-א (exposure to all letters)
- Parsha
- Yomim Tovim
- Chassidishe Yomim Tovim
- Niggunim
- Tefilla
- Middos
- Brochos
- Feelings
- Shapes/colors

#### Kindergarten

- Aleph Bais
- Parsha
- Yomim Tovim
- Chassidishe Yomim Tovim
- Niggunim
- Tefilla
- Middos
- Complete UPK curriculum –Creative Curriculum

#### Pre-1A

- Kriah
- Parsha
- Yomim Tovim
- Chassidishe Yomim Tovim
- Niggunim
- Tefilla
- Middos Mentch program
- Alphabet/Handwriting, based on the ReadRight curriculum
- Math, based on Go Math curriculum
- Journal writing using invented spelling

# Supplies

## NURSERY

1	Long sleeved smock
1	change of clothing suitable for all seasons, in a labeled shoe box with each item labeled separately
1	baggie with pennies for tzedakah
1	large backpack for projects to send home
1	box of tissues
1	Box of wipes

A \$30 school supply fee will be collected by the teachers at orientation. Special events, such as the Chanuka Mommy & Me, will be charged for separately as they arise.

## UPK

1	Backpack/briefcase large enough to hold a binder
1	Long sleeved smock
1	change of clothing suitable for all seasons, in a labeled shoe box with each item labeled separately
1	Box of tissues and wipes
1	white 1 inch binder- with clear pocket insert
1	box of sandwich sized Ziploc bags
1	box of gallon sized Ziploc bags
1	box of challah bags

A \$40 school supply will be collected by the teachers at orientation. This amount will cover all regular supplies, folders, and materials for projects. Special events, such as the Chanukah Mommy & Me, Alef Bais Party, and field trips will be charged for separately as they arise.

## PRE 1A

1	Backpack/briefcase big enough to hold a large binder
1	change of clothing suitable for all seasons, in a labeled shoe box with each item labeled separately
1	box of tissues and wipes
1	white 1 inch binder
1	box of sandwich sized Ziploc bags
1	box of gallon sized Ziploc bags
1	box of challah bags
4	Two pocket paper folders with 3 prongs (red, yellow, green, blue)

A \$45 school supply will be collected by the teachers at orientation. This amount will cover all regular supplies, materials for projects and the Kriah workbooks. Special events, such as the Chanukah Mommy & Me, Siddur Party, and field trips will be charged for separately as they arise.

# Uniform

PRE 1A GIRLS	PRE 1A BOYS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Navy Jumper</li><li>-White or Hunter Green button down blouse or long sleeved polo shirt with collar</li><li>-School uniform sweater with logo</li><li>-White button down blouse for Rosh Chodesh</li><li>-Solid colored tights</li><li>-Solid Colored shoes (no crocs or sandals)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Tallis Katan and Yarmulka</li><li>-White or light blue button down shirt or polo shirt</li><li>-White button down shirt for Rosh Chodesh</li><li>-Navy blue or black pants (no large pockets)</li><li>-Solid colored shoes or sneakers (no lights, crocs or sandals)</li></ul>
<b>NURSERY UPK</b>	
<p>Nursery and UPK do not have an official school uniform. Please ensure your daughter's clothing reflects the Cheder Chabad Tznius standards. Tights and shoes (no crocs or sandals) need to be worn at all times. Knees and Elbows need to be covered.</p>	

## Biting Policy

In small children biting is a developmentally appropriate behavior. However, by the time a child is in Pre-1A this is no longer appropriate. Any child who bites another child will have his parent called and will have to be picked up for the remainder of the day.

## Toilet Training

All children coming in to Nursery must be completely toilet trained before the start of the school year. If your child is not trained, we will hold his/her spot until after Yom Tov.

## Procedures

### Preschool hours

Nursery / Kindergarten:

Monday- Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Pre-1A:

Monday- Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

### Arrival and Dismissal

**Arrival** School begins at 9:00 a.m. Prompt arrival provides a positive beginning for your child's school day. For parents driving children to school- please drop off children at school between 8:55 am and 9:10 am. During these 15 minutes, an assistant will be waiting outside the door facing South Monsey Rd. to greet your child and to accompany/guide him/her to his/her classroom. **Parents or carpools that arrive late to school (past 9:10 a.m.), must park their cars in the parking lot and walk their child to the classroom.**

**Cheder Chabad Preschool cannot take responsibility for students before 8:55 a.m.**

**Breakfast** Breakfast will only be served until 9:15, after 9:15 breakfast will no longer be available in the classroom. If your child will be coming after 9:15 please make sure they eat breakfast at home.

Any out of town child with a long car ride should please bring a sandwich along to eat on the way.

**Dismissal** Dismissal begins at 2:55 p.m. daily for nursery and UPK, and runs until 3:10 p.m. Please drive all the way around the building to the entrance facing South Monsey Road .Your child will be escorted to your car. Parents arriving before or after these times for dismissal must park in the parking lot and walk into the school. Please pick up your child promptly to help us have a smooth dismissal. Cheder Chabad Preschool cannot take responsibility for nurse / upk students after 3:10 p.m. At that time, any students remaining will be sent to the main office. *Please ensure you are on time to pick up your preschool child/children. Parents will be charged a \$10 fee for late pickup per occurrence.*

### Aftercare

For out of town Nursery and Upk students who carpool with older siblings at 4:00, Cheder will accommodate them and provide aftercare from 3:00-4:00 pm, with a minimal fee of \$5 per day.

Please contact Mrs. Light at [clight@chedermonsey.org](mailto:clight@chedermonsey.org) to sign up.

Please complete the carpool information form that is included in this mailing. If your regular arrangements change, please let us know so that we can get your child home safely.

**When calling during the day to leave change of dismissal information please do not leave a message on the school office machine. To ensure that we get the information promptly, please email [girls@chedermonsey.org](mailto:girls@chedermonsey.org).**

Pre-1A dismissal begins at 3:55. The children are escorted to their bus line. If you are choosing to pick up your child, please park in the lot and walk into the building to get your child. **CARS MAY NOT PULL UP INTO THE CARPOOL LANE AT THIS DISMISSAL TIME AS IT BLOCKS THE BUSES.**

### **Snack/Lunch**

Our preschool encourages healthy eating habits. We allow only healthy snacks to be brought to school. A list of some healthy snack ideas follows. This list is not exhaustive- it is meant to give you some ideas.

All preschool classes should bring a Ha'etz or Ha'adoma snacks for the morning and a healthy snack for the afternoon. Any unhealthy snack will be sent back home with a note, and replaced with a healthy snack.

Following are some ideas for healthy snacks.

- Yogurt
- Cheese- American cheese, string cheese, cottage cheese
- Fresh fruit- apple, banana, clementine, grapes, nectarine, pear
- Dried fruit- apricots, apples, mango, raisins
- Applesauce
- Cut fresh vegetables- carrots, celery, cucumbers, peppers, tomatoes
- Crackers- graham crackers, thin wheats
- Rice cakes, corn cakes, soy crisps
- Pretzels
- Breadsticks
- Dry cereal
- Pop corn

### **Allergies**

If your child has any allergies (food or other) or other medical needs, it is imperative to let us know before school starts. The more information we have about your child, the better able we will be to meet their needs.

Please note the Cheder Chabad is a **NUT FREE FACILITY**, please do not send any food or snacks that can put another child in danger.

### **Birthday Celebrations**

If you would like to celebrate your child's birthday at school you may do so. Please adhere to the following preschool birthday party guidelines.

- 1- Please reserve the date with the classroom teacher at least one week in advance.
- 2- The celebration takes place for about twenty minutes, during a time arranged with the classroom teacher.
- 3- Please bring one "Mezonos" snack per child such as mini cupcakes or baked goods from Zishe's bakery, which is **nut free**. If you wish to bring a drink, please grape juice for L'chaim. . For everyone's kashrus comfort, we ask that home baked goods not be brought in. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call the preschool director Mrs. Light.
- 4- "Pekelach" are not distributed in our preschool at birthday celebrations. In lieu of "pekelach" and excessive snack foods, you may donate a book or educational game/toy to the class in honor of your child's birthday.

**We hope that this booklet has proven informative. If you have any further questions, please call the cheder office. Once again, we look forward to a wonderful year together!**

**Chaya Light- Preschool Director**