

Ilan Ramon Day School

Shalom Bayit

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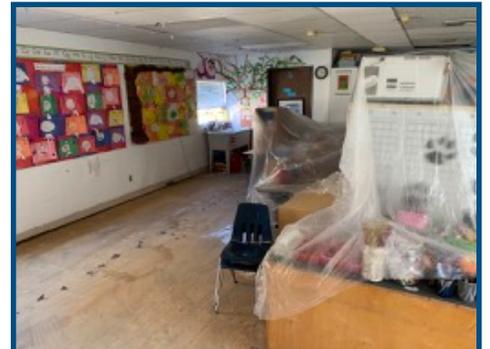
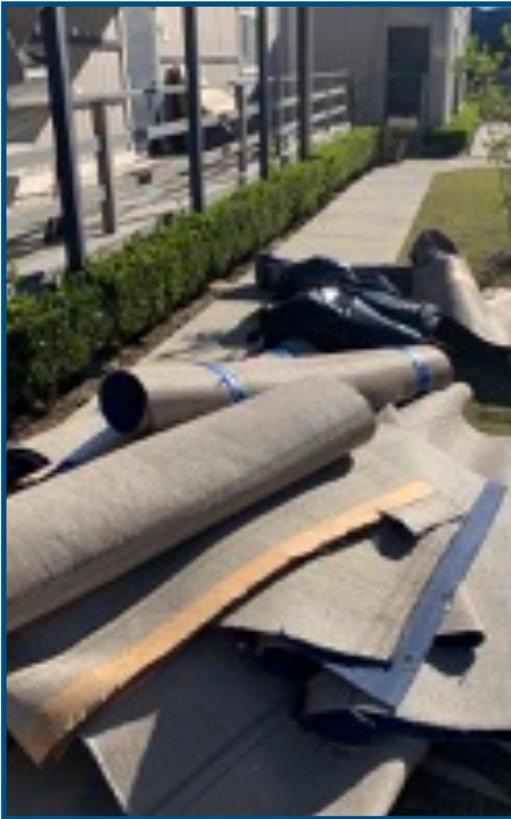
Campus Update

These last few days have been very busy up on campus. The remediation team is hard at work and has begun the process of cleaning all of the classroom spaces. They have begun pulling up the carpeting, removing the ceiling tiles and cleaning the books and toys that are in the classrooms. They have also begun to power wash portions of campus, so once a building is cleaned we will not track any contaminants back into the rooms.

This week we are hopeful that the temporary power will be installed and some additional debris removal (wood chips, sand, etc...) and landscaping will begin. We will be rebuilding the fence along the freeway in the coming days, and you soon you will notice temporary fencing to enclose portions of the campus.

The weeks ahead will be busy and we will be sure to keep everyone posted of our milestones as they occur.

Thank you.



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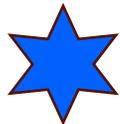
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ILAN RAMON
DAY SCHOOL

COMMUNITY NEWS

Ilan Ramon Calendar



December 13:

Entering Kindergarten Coffee, 7:30 p.m.

December 21:

Last day of school before winter break,
3:00 p.m. dismissal

December 24-January 7:

Winter Break

January 8:

School resumes

January 13:

Science Discovery Day

January 18:

Tu B'shvat Celebrated at School

MAZEL TOV

to Courtney Wilson (E2 teacher) on her acceptance into the JECELI-LA Fellowship. The Jewish Early Childhood Education Leadership Institute (JECELI) is a collaboration between The Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles, the Jewish Theological Seminary, and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. This program provides intensive professional Jewish leadership development in Jewish early childhood education. The program is based in Jewish concepts of leadership and learning along with the current research on best practices in the field. JECELI has recently moved from a national program to a community-based model and Courtney will be part of the first cohort of Los Angeles area educators participating in the 2019-2020 program period (February 2019-June 2020). We're very proud of you Courtney!

CORNERSTONE PHOTOGRAPHY

Cornerstone Photography has generously offered to reprint individual school photos for families whose homes were destroyed or severely damaged by the fires last month.

Cornerstone has archived files from 2007, and can reprint pictures as far back as then, and will print a packet that includes an 8x10, a 5x7, a 3x5, and 2 wallets for each year your child attended. Class pictures and panorama pictures can be purchased for half price.

If you are in need of replacement pictures, please contact Karina at (818) 529-1635, ext. 410.



Challah orders are due each Tuesday by 3:00 pm.
for Friday delivery.

Each challah is only \$7.00

Order a delicious pretzel or plain challah for Shabbat dinner. Why not get an extra Chocolate Chip or Cinnamon challah for french toast this weekend? Wildflour Bakery serves non GMO and Kosher certified challah.

[Click HERE for an order form](#)

**It is with sadness we share the news
of the passing of our Math
Specialist Janetta Shvartsmann's
beloved Father in Law
David Shvartsmann**

**I know we all join together in
wishing the entire Shvartsmann
family our deepest condolences and
well wishes.**

**May his memory always be for a
blessing.**

**Our Condolences to the Svisa Family
on the loss of
Boris Giplizki**

**Father of Irina & Barak Svisa,
grandfather to Michael, Nathaniel and
Daniel (E3A)**

**May his memory always be for a
blessing.**

School Calendar Updates

**There will be some changes to our school calendar over
the coming months to recover some of the days we
missed school in November due to the fires.**

- **December 21st will not be an early leave day,
but will be a 3:00 p.m dismissal**
- **February 15th will be a regular school day**

Taking Care During Cold and Flu Season

The weather has changed and it at times it can be cold and rainy here at school we are asking you to please make sure your child comes each and everyday properly dressed for the weather. We also strongly encourage you to label your child's clothing, especially those wonderful sweaters and jackets they just got as Hanukkah gifts so we can return them to you when we find them on campus.

Also, with the changing weather and the changing season we know that children are going to get sick, coming down with a cold or the flu. As we venture through this time we wanted to share with you some of the steps will be taking at school to hopefully limit exposure to our students. We will be doing the following:

1. Educating and encouraging students and staff to cover their mouth and nose with a tissue when they cough or sneeze. We will remind them to cover coughs or sneezes using their elbow, instead of their hand, when a tissue is not available.
2. Reminding teachers, staff, and students to practice good hand hygiene and provide the time for them to wash their hands when necessary.
3. Sending sick students, teachers, and staff home, and advising them and their families that they should stay at home at least for 24 hours after they no longer have a fever or signs of a fever (without the use of fever-reducing medicine).
4. Cleaning surfaces and items that are more likely to have frequent hand contact such as desks, doorknobs, keyboards, or pens, with cleansing agents that are usually used in these areas.

Here are a few things you can do to help:

- Teach your children to wash their hands often with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub. You can set a good example by doing this yourself.
- Teach your children not to share personal items like drinks, food or unwashed utensils, and to cover their coughs and sneezes with tissues. Covering their coughs or sneezes using the elbow, arm or sleeve instead of the hand when a tissue is unavailable.
- Know the signs and symptoms of the flu. Symptoms of the flu include fever (100 degrees Fahrenheit, 37.8 degrees Celsius or greater), cough, sore throat, a runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, and feeling very tired. Some people may also vomit or have diarrhea.
- It is school policy for you to keep sick children at home for at least 24 hours after they no longer have fever or do not have signs of fever, **without using fever-reducing drugs**. Keeping children with a fever at home will reduce the number of people who may get infected.
- Do not send children to school if they are sick. Any children who are determined to be sick while at school will be sent home immediately. **The school will call a family if a child presents with a fever of 99 or above; any child with a 100 degree or above fever will need to go home.**

If you have any questions please let us know.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.



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