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Farewell for the Summer 2017

Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe that another year has come to an end this week. It's been an amazing year!

We hope that you have been accessing our digital newsletter "The Voice of Our Children" on our website www.lihagn.org as well as all the other features available to parents and students. If you haven't visited yet, check it out. Every teacher has a page and students can access their homework. There are photo galleries and forms, birthdays and the newsletter in color. We update on a regular basis to keep you informed of the latest events. This year, we will be adding an app for your phone to make it even more convenient.

Before reviewing the year, I want to welcome our new principal, Mrs. Dalia Shabatian. We have been diligently working together to ensure a seamless transition for our students and staff. I feel confident in her ability to lead LIHA into its next stage of development. We hope that you will become involved in our success as well!

We enlarged our computer lab under a grant from the Center for Initiatives in Jewish Education. Our school received additional computers installed with math and English programs updated and aligned with the Common Core Curriculum. The generosity of the CIJE provides our kindergarten students with computers as well the Waterford program. The students are able to access individual lessons in math, English, science and social studies and build on their skills in all of these areas. We utilize the Foundations phonics program for both our kindergarten and first grade reading curriculums in addition to our common core reading program. Under grants from GRUSS and the Smart Schools Bond Act, we installed additional Smart Boards, which opened a whole new dimension for our students.

In Judaic studies, under the leadership of Rabbi Aziz our 3rd-5th grades pray every day in the Bet Medrash of Ahavat Shalom and have been learning "Te'amim." In addition, 2nd-5th grades have the option of joining Rabbi Levy for Mishmar after school. Our new Chumash program has revolutionized our Hebrew curriculum.

At our annual family event: LIHA's Got Talent, we distributed educational achievement awards from President Trump and Councilwoman Anna Kaplan. Congratulations to all the awardees & the talent show winners. Throughout the year, there were numerous trips and enriching in house programs as well as after school sports and art classes. The NY Hall of Science visited LIHA and "slime" became all the rage. The 5th grade was entertained by Blue Man Group and saw the sights and sounds of Manhattan.

Last Monday evening, we celebrated our annual fifth grade graduation in grand style. The graduates gave a stellar performance created by Morah Brenda. We were treated to a professional choir recital by the 3rd & 4th grades. We welcomed alumni Coby Sharifian, Kyleen Kalimian, Yonah Kafash, and Ornella Amsellem, who were invited to present awards. They spoke warmly about their experiences at LIHA. Rosel Campos our administrative assistant par excellence was honored at graduation for her love and devotion to our students. She makes each child feel special and valued no matter what their request.

All of our students from toddler through the 5th grade have been given opportunities throughout the year to broaden their perspectives. They've been encouraged to soar to new heights and open their eyes to the wonders around them. They learned that you don't have to travel to faraway places to experience creative journeys.

As always, I hope that you will use the summer months to further your children's education, to expand their horizons, to share in the joy and wonder that they still exhibit when they learn something new. I hope that you will spend quality time together and reinforce your relationships. And last but not least, you will send them back to us in September refreshed and renewed and ready to start the school year. Have a safe and healthy summer!
Morah Sara

Have a good
Summer!

Parashat Korach 
Shabbat Candle Lighting time is at 8:15 p.m.
Havdalah time is at 9:21



We Love You Morah Sara!



CLASS OF 2017

Kindergarten Graduation



Pre-K Graduation

