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Dear Parents, Talmidim, Alumni, and Friends of the Yeshiva,

Baruch Hashem, the Zman is continuing with shteiging and excitement.

Two weeks ago, the Yeshiva launched a 5-week innovative learning incentive program, that will Iy"H culminate in a Yeshiva trip to Kerestir, Hungary, called the "Kerestir Challange". The Learning Initiative aims to inspire the Talmidim to push themselves in Hasmadah, Learning BeRitzifus, chazarah and learning on Shabbos. Using individual goals, group goals, and a yeshiva-wide goal, the Kerestir Challenge is designed to give each bochur the space to excel in the way that works best for him, and showcase his personal accomplishments, while simultaneously having everyone work together as a team towards a common goal. Over a 5-week period the Talmidim have been challenged to accomplish a collective large amount of hours' worth of learning, with different calculations of the "value" of the learning based on factors of what they learn and review and the context that they learn. The impact this has had on the atmosphere in the Beis Medresh is palpable- the Kol Torah, Hasmada, and energy is amazing. The "grand prize" for reaching the goal is an end of the Winter Zman trip to Kerestir to the Tzion of Ray Shayala Zt"l, as well as to other Kivrei Tzaddikim. A "bonus" round for extra learning will earn the Talmidim a day of Skiing while in Europe on the trip. Suprise rewards along the way include things like homemade kugels and deli rolls, gift cards, baked goods, etc. Daily challenge signs greet the bachurim outside the Beis Medresh, for example -"the first 2 bochurim to report 3 hours retzifus starting immediately after Maariv will receive a 50 NIS voucher each for bagels", or "the first 2 bochurim to report learning 5 HOURS RETZIFUS OF KESUVOS will be taken out to dinner by Rabbi Pesach Weiss to Schmaltz, for an appetizer and sandwich" etc. B"H the bochurim are infused with positive energy, are pushing themselves, and are proud of their accomplishments in learning, which is truly the greatest of all the prizes.

The trip is currently in the planning stages and already looks like it will be an amazing, spiritually uplifting and enjoyable experience, and sponsorship opportunities are available.

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This week the First Year Talmidim went to Bnei Brak with their Rebbeim, to the Beis HaChaim to daven at the Kevarim of Gedolei Yisrael, to hear a Chabura from Rabbi Benguigui in Ponevizh Yeshiva, and then out to a special dinner together with their Rebbeim.

They then met up with the other Talmidim and Rebbeim from Yeshiva in Bnei Brak to Daven Maariv in the Slabodka Yeshiva and then were Zoche to meet with numerous Gedolei Yisrael, to hear Divrei Chizzuk, and receive Brachos. They had a

private audience with Gedolei Yisrael: Harav Hagaon Dov Landau, HaRav Hagaon Moshe Hillel Hirsch, and Harav Hagaon Shraga Shteinman Shlit"a

It was a very uplifting and special trip, one that will forever be remembered.

In other news, the Yeshiva has updated the in-house gym with even more equipment- a full bench-press and cage for squats, new weights and an additional treadmill. The Talmidim have been making good use of the gym during Bein Hasedorim, helping them maintain a healthy body and mind while remaining in a positive Yeshiva environment. Sponsorship opportunities for the new equipment are available.

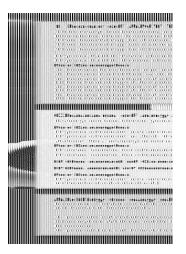
On Wednesday night, Tu-Bishvat, the Rebbeim led a Tu-Bishvat Tisch, that was beautifully arranged by the Rebbetzin, our caterer and the kitchen staff. Delicious for both the eye and the palate, the Tisch was filled with Divrei Torah, singing and aliyah in Ruchniyus and gashmiyus.

We are sure that you will enjoy seeing some of the many exciting things that have taken place in Yeshiva.

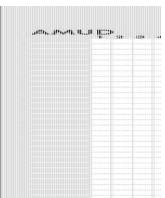














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