



The Pride of AJA...Our Students!

Leah Bader

Leah facilitated a program to raise students' awareness about the effects of cancer on individuals and how to be supportive. This was 100% Leah's initiative and she did the organizing, promotion, and coordination work. She ran a Community Time program and brought in guest speaker Dana Burchfield, former YA/AJA Director of Admissions and Dean of Students, and a representative from Sharsheret, a national organization that supports Jewish women and their families who are facing breast cancer. Leah encouraged all of AJA to Dress in Pink in support of Sharsheret, and the US students donated money to be able to dress in ALL Pink. Leah's efforts raised almost \$150 for the organization.

Dan Jutan & Ezra Blaut

Dan and Ezra have been producing weekly Parsha videos that are shown during Community Time. They are engaging, brief-yet-thorough explanations of each week's parsha section, complete with an examination of why this week's parsha is valuable and significant. They are fun and profound, and they produce these for the joy of it (not for a grade). Dan was also recognized as a STAR Student, for having the highest SAT score of all Seniors at AJA.

Nicole Dori, Medad Lytton, & Yitzi Zolty

These three students in the Upper School presented the winning topics at the Cause Fair. Their presentations were organized and persuasive, and they were incredibly engaging. 1st Place: Nicole Dori / Ending Sexual Assault in College and the World, 2nd Place: Medad Lytton / Stop Buying Bottled Water and 3rd Place: Yitzi Zolty / Political Corruption.

Zach Mainzer

According to his teacher, Zach is a role model student. He has a positive attitude and is always respectful. He davens nicely and will often lead davening or the Torah reading. Zach stays after davening daily, in order to help out setting the room up for the next class. He is will also be representing AJA/Atlanta/USA in the Maccabiah games playing tennis in Miami in August!

Logan Rabinowitz

Logan is just a mensch! She often tries to take care of other students, and she will be the first to volunteer to help. She has such an amazing heart - and that is really nice to see. Logan knows to solve problems without always asking the teacher. One example is that the children were arguing over play money and how much each should get. She solved the problem by going to the art station and making more pretend money for her and her friends. Logan always smiles and give warm hugs and beautiful drawings to her teachers.

Isaac Weinberg

When one of Isaac's classmates was struggling the other day, he was the "first responder". The boy had his head down on the desk, frustrated that he couldn't figure out his homework. The bell had already rung, and Isaac put down his backpack, came over to his classmate, put his hand on his shoulder and said "I'll stay with you until we figure this out together." An incredible display of middot from a 2nd grader!

Oliver Mason

He consistently challenges himself to learn more and more challenging math concepts by regularly logging onto the IXL math program provided (but not assigned) by his teachers. In doing so, he has put himself in a position of learning math concepts ABOVE his grade level. This is just one of the things Oliver chooses to do to challenge himself!

Lindsay Webber

This week, Lindsay asked her teacher, Morah Yifat, if the 1st Grade could say a prayer for her Zayde because he was getting a new hip. So, after Tefillah the whole 1st grade said the Mi Shebeirach for Lindsay's Zayde.

Gila Sadinoff

Gila shows great middot in everything she does. She is helpful to her friends and her teachers. She is never a bystander, she is an upstander. If she sees someone arguing, she works to help them fix the situation. Gila comes to class each day with a smile, ready to learn and she always asks questions to further her learning and understanding of a subject or unit.

Natanel Gold

When his class was charged with writing an essay on the topic "Gifts Money Can't Buy", Natanel knocked us all over. His beautifully written essay about his sister came straight from his heart onto the paper. He articulated how lucky he is to have his sister, and how much she has taught him.

Renana Shalom

Renana Shalom been here for less than 2 years. She came into the school with very limited English. This week, Renana is turning in a multi-page formatted research paper on "Jews in the Black Death" (not a light topic!) in all English. She treats everyone with inspiring kindness and handles everything with a smile.

Gefen Beldie & Racheli Seeman

Gefen and Racheli were the overall AJA Science Fair winners. They competed in the Fulton County Regional Science and Engineering Fair on February 10th. Both girls scored high enough to qualify for the Georgia State Science and Engineering Fair (GSEF) on March 31st. They will compete at GSEF on March 31st. This is the first year that we have two students representing AJA at GSEF. Outstanding!

Paulina Lebowitz

Paulina will be representing AJA/Atlanta/USA in the Maccabiah games playing tennis in Miami in August! Along with fellow AJA student, Zach Mainzer, AJA will have a strong presence at the Maccabi games.

Sammy Rubin & Daliya Wallenstein

Sammy and Daliya were chosen by the MAAC Conference athletic directors to play in their all-star Basketball game. They were chosen based on athletic skill, spirit, sportsmanship, teamwork, and kindness directed to members of the other team and referees. Middot on the court!

STAY TUNED

We had so many nominations from teachers, and so many more outstanding students to recognize. We'll share more fantastic news about your children next month!