

# Transition & Pre-1A Handbook



### A note from Mrs. E. Nemanov



Dear Parents שיחיו,

Welcome to בית רבקה!

We hope you enjoyed a healthy and pleasant summer and are looking forward to the upcoming school year.

The רבי has taught us the tremendous importance of educating our children from the youngest age possible with a true חסידישע permeated with תורה חינוך permeated with אוסד מוסד constantly making an effort to do our utmost to fulfill the רבי's aspirations and imbue our Maidelach with a love of מצוות and תורה, a commitment to אהבת ישראל, and a pride in being the רבי's children.

בית רבקה is a wonderful school to be a part of, with many interactive activities and learning, all done in מסידישע environment. All that the students learn comes alive through hands-on activities, art, music and movement. All the Chassidishe ימים טובים are celebrated with pride, and our hallways are always buzzing with excitement as the children celebrate each occasion throughout the year.

One of our many goals is to give your daughter a strong foundation in קריאה. This vital skill is taught with methods that have been proven very successful, giving your daughter the tools to succeed in her academic future.

The staff of בית רבקה share your concern for raising your daughter to be a genuine בת מלך. We will strive to make the school year positive and productive for your daughter. We invite you to reciprocate our commitment by communicating with our teachers and offering constructive feedback on your child's educational progress. We urge you to maintain an open line of communication, sharing your thoughts and concerns with us.



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# Pre-1A Opening Schedule

### Sept. 4 -י"א אלול, Thursday

Orientation will take place for **mothers and Pre-1A students** between 10 A.M. – 12 P.M. Come to MPR between those hours to find out your daughter's classroom and meet her teachers. Expect to stay for half an hour.

### Friday, י"ב אלול- Sept. 5

First day of regular sessions.

Regular Bus Service begins.

### **Supply List**

- Briefcase
- A Two Pocket Folder
- A Box of Tissues
- Labeled change of clothes (uniform not needed)
- · Smock with sleeves, or an old shirt

Please label all supplies and other items sent to school with student names (sweaters, coats, bows).



# Transition Opening Schedule

### Sept. 3 - י' אלול, Wednesday

Orientation will take place for **mothers and Pre1A students** between 9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. Come in through the ENY entrance between those hours to be directed to your daughter's classroom. Expect to stay for half an hour.

### Sept. 4 - י"א אלול,Thursday

First day of regular sessions.
Regular Bus Service begins.

### **Supply List**

- Briefcase for Fridays only
- A family portrait
- A complete change of clothing.
- Box of Tissues & Wipes
- A large old shirt with sleeves to use as a smock

Please label all supplies and other items sent to school with student names (sweaters, coats, bows).

### **Arrival**

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**Pre-1A:** Students can be dropped off starting 8:45 am. Parents or guardians should accompany them to their to their classrooms.

**Transition:** You can drop off your daughter from 8:45 – 9:00 A.M. by the tent on Lefferts Ave, Exit 3. A staff member will be waiting until 9:15 A.M. to greet the students and bring them to their classrooms.





### **Bus Safety**

- Students should wait for the bus on the sidewalk – always away from the curb.
- They should not step into the street until the bus has come to a complete stop and the driver has opened the door to the bus.
- Children must never run after the bus; if they miss the bus, they should return home and parents should make other arrangements for them to get to school.

Students arriving by bus will be greeted by a staff member who will escort them to their classrooms.



### Arrival and **Dismissal**

### **Late Arrivals**

After 9:15 AM, please go to the security guard on Lefferts Ave. They will call us to get your daughter. Please allow time for the teacher to get downstairs.

School begins at 9:00 AM. We must impress upon you the importance of having your child in school on time. Any parent that is entering school must be cleared by security and the student's grade department office.

When entering the building, parents should be dressed according to הלכה, wearing a sheitel and elbows, collarbones and legs completely covered.

### **Pre-1A Dismissal**

Monday through Thursday is at **3:45 -4:00 PM**. Friday dismissal is at **11:45 AM - 12:00 PM**.

### **Dismissal Areas for Pre-1A:**

• **Pick Up** - Exit 3, on Lefferts Ave, under the tent in front of the playground.

For the safety of our children, students should not walk alone between buses, cars or behind garbage trucks to reach your car.

- **Sister Pick Up** Students will wait for fellow students and sisters in older grades in room 209.
- Bus Exit 2, the East NY entrance (wait area lunchroom)

### **Transition Dismissal**

Monday through Thursday is at **2:45-3:00 PM** at the East New York entrance. Please be on time.

Friday dismissal is at 11:40 AM-12:00 PM at the Atrium. Please be on time.

# School Day





### **Absences**

Please notify the school if your daughter is absent. You can email or call the Pre1A/Transition office. Teachers will not check their phones during school hours. If your daughter will be absent for a few days, let the teacher know in advance.



### Messages

If you need to make a change in your child's schedule, please send a note attached to your daughter that morning or email <a href="mailto:pre1a@bethrivkah.edu">pre1a@bethrivkah.edu</a>/ <a href="mailto:transition@bethrivkah.edu">transition@bethrivkah.edu</a> by 2:00 pm.

Email notifications will be sent out to notify parents of important updates and reminders like fleishig lunch, vacation day reminders, school trips etc.



# School Day



### **Birthdays**

Children are invited to celebrate their birthday in school with their teachers and friends. For your convenience, if you would like to order a treat for your daughter's class for her birthday, please utilize our New Birthday Package. Details can be found on our website: https://www.bethrivkah.edu/birthdays. Please note that outside food is not permitted You may also bring a small gift for the class.



### **Meals**

Breakfast, lunch and afternoon snacks are served daily.
Please note that Bais Rivkah is a peanut-free school, and healthy snacks from home for the afternoon are encouraged.



### Notes מצוה

Please send מצוה notes daily. Each day during Davening, מצוה notes are read aloud. The children feel excited about sharing it with the class and having the notes displayed.



### צדקה

One of the most beautiful מצוות that children can actively participate in is the Mitzvah of צדקה. Children's sense of sharing and doing חסד is reinforced by encouraging them to bring a penny every day. Tip: Prepare enough coins for the entire week in a small bag or change purse.



## School Uniform

### **Pre-1A Uniform**

The Pre-1A uniform consists of a gray jumper and a pink blouse or pink polo shirt. It has been designed to give the students a feeling of dignity and simplicity, which is the essence of a Bas Yisroel.

In Bais Rivkah, we take pride in our high standard of צניעות. Elbows, knees and collarbones must be covered at all times. Tights are a required part of the Pre-1A dress code. Socks and leggings are not permitted. Nail polish is not premitted. Children develop sensitivity for the beauty of צניעות at a young age, therefore school standards should be applied at home as well.

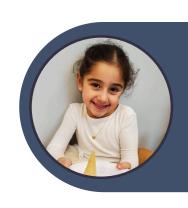
The Pre1A uniform can be bought at Lands' End, French Toast, Gap, Children's Place and most uniform stores. There are no products at the Bais Rivkah Uniform Store for Pre1A.

There is a supply of uniforms in the office available free of charge, please reach out to pre1a@bethrivkah.edu for information.

### **Transition Class Dress Code**

The transition class does not have a uniform. Elbows, knees and collarbones must be covered at all times. Tights are a required part of the dress code. Socks and leggings are not permitted.





## School Calendar

September 2	Tuesday	Preschool Parent Orientation 10:00- 10:45/11:30-12:00 Grade 1 Parent Orientation (Zoom) - 8 PM	ט' אלול
September 3	Wednesday	Opening Day Preschool - Grade 7 (Refer to department handbooks for detailed information)	י' אלול
September 4	Thursday	First Full Day Of School Grades 1-7 Opening Day Grade 8	י"א אלול
September 7	Sunday	Regular Sunday sessions Grades 2-8	י"ד אלול
September 14	Sunday	Morning after Selichos- Late Start	כ"א אלול
September 17	Wednesday	Open School Night Grades 1-3	כ"ד אלול
September 22-24	Monday- Wednesday	No School – ראש השנה	כ"ט אלול
September 25	Thurs	צום גדליה Half Day 9:30 a.m. Opening	ג' תשרי
September 29	Monday	Open School Night Grades 4-5-8	ז' תשרי
September 30	Tuesday	Open School Night Grades 6-7	ח' תשרי
October 1-2	Wednesday -Thursday	No school - ערב יום כיפור, יום כיפור	ט' - י' תשרי
October 3	Friday	Late start 10:00 a.m.	י"א תשרי
October 6-19	Monday - Sunday	No School – סוכות	י"ד - כ"ז תשרי
October 20	Monday	School Resumes	כ"ח תשרי
November 16	Sunday	No School – <b>כינוס השלוחים</b>	כ"ה חשון
November 26	Wednesday	PD Teacher Training Day, No School Preschool through 8th Grade	ו' כסלו

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November 30	Sunday	No School Grades 1-3 - PTA	י' כסלו
December 7	Sunday	No School Grades 4-8 PTA Grades 4-8. PTA Transition & Pre 1 A	י"ז כסלו
December 18-22	Thursday-Monday	No School, Chanukah Vacation	כ"ח כסלו - ב' טבת
December 23	Tuesday	School Resumes	ג' טבת
December 30	Tuesday	Half Day 9:00 a.m. Opening Grades 7-8	עשרה בטבת
January 17	Motzei Shabbos	2nd Grade Mother-Daughter Melava Malka	כ"ח טבת
January 30-Feb 3	Friday-Tuesday	Mid-Winter Vacation Pre1A-8th Grade	י"ב - ט"ז שבט
February 2-3	Monday-Tuesday	Mid-Winter Vacation Preschool	ט"ו-ט"ז שבט
February 4	Wednesday	School Resumes	י"ז שבט
February 8	Sunday	No School – <b>כינוס השלוחות</b>	כ"א שבט
March 2	Monday	Half Day 9:00 a.m. opening Grades 7-8	תענית אסתר
March 3-4	Tuesday-Wednesday	No School – <b>פורים</b> – <b>שושן פורים</b>	י"ד - ט"ו אדר
March 5	Thursday	School Resumes	ט"ז אדר
March 25-Apr 12	Wednesday-Sunday	No school – POD	ז' - כ"ה ניסן
April 13	Monday	School Resumes	כ"ו ניסן
May 5	Tuesday	Lag B'Omer- Special Program	ח"י אייר
May 17	Sunday	Writing / Book Fair Grades 1-4	א' סיון
May 21-24	Thursday-Sunday	No School – שבועות	ה' - ח' סיון
May 25	Monday	School Resumes	ט' סיון

June 7	Sunday	3rd Grade Mother-Daughter Event	כ"ב סיון
June 14	Sunday	8th Grade Graduation - No School 1-8	כ"ט סיון
June 15	Monday	Regular sessions Pre1A-Grade 7 Last day of School Grade 7	ל' סיון
June 16	Tuesday	Last Day of school: Full day, Pre1A-Grade 3 Half day, Grades 4-6	א' תמוז
June 18	Thursday	Gimmel Tammuz Special Program	ג' תמוז

אי"ה בירושלים הבנוייה - שנת הלימודים First Day of School אי"ה בירושלים אלול , September 1

See the school calendar online and sync a Google calendar at <a href="https://www.bethrivkah.edu/calendar">www.bethrivkah.edu/calendar</a>

