



**The Butterflies/Ha Papareem  
Week of August 29 – September 2, 2011**

**Math:**

Every day, we create a mathematical equation counting the number of boys to the number of girls in our class. The children counted how many days there were in August. The children took turns writing the numbers on the board as they learned how to form these numbers themselves. This week we talked about our estimation jar and what it means to estimate. Alexis was the first butterfly to bring it home.

**Literacy:**

We read books such as: "A Mezuzah On The Door," and "I Like Me." We also talked about sick children who don't have enough toys to play with when they go into the hospital. We talked about what toys they might like and made a literacy chart about it.

**Science:**

Carson was our meteorologist for the week. He had the opportunity to go our "window" and move the arrow to show what kind of weather we decided upon.

**Gross Motor:**

This week started music with Miss Beth. The children got to dance and sing and play with lots of fun instruments. The children continue to use the blocks to make their own original structures. They also continue to use the riding vehicles to strengthen leg muscles.

**Fine Motor:**

The children made mezuzot and got to decorate them. They also got to write a message inside their mezuzot about what was important to them. The children sat in front of our class mirror and made self-portraits of how they see themselves.

**Social/Self Help:**

Upon entering the classroom, the children sign their names, and unpack their backpacks. The children are learning to let one person answer or speak at a time. The children are learning not to interrupt the person who is speaking.

**Judaic:**

We say the blessing before snack and lunch. We also say the blessing for after lunch (Birkat HaMazon). We sing Hatikvah every day. We had Havdalah Monday morning. Havdalah literally means separation. We do Havdalah to separate the end of Shabbat and the beginning of the new week. We went to the Wasley Chapel on Friday for Shabbat.

**Reminders:**

**Please label all morning and afternoon snacks, kosher only please.**

**Have a great Labor Day!!! See you on Tuesday.**

**Please read the school Tot Alert for all updates.**

**Morah Esta  
Morah Myra**