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## OTRS Seventh Grade News

10/26/09

Dear Families,

Yesterday's class was great. We are continuing our discussions of what connects us as Jews. Take a look below for more information. Please remember that there is no school on Sunday Nov. 1st or Tuesday Nov. 3rd.

Shalom,

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### What We've Been Doing

We discussed the meaning of Areyvut, which is mutual responsibility, accountability; the notion that every Jew is responsible for another. The children prepared illustrations to show examples of Areyvut in their own lives.

We completed this introductory unit with a discussion of the statement "A Jew by himself is impossible".

### Special Activities

Ask your child about our Areyvut illustrations and music with Rabbi Shalva!

### Over the Next Few Weeks We Will...

We will study Pidyon Shvuim, the mitzvah of Redemption of the Captives and how this grew in importance over time in response to changing historical realities.

### Things to Remember

No School Nov 1st or Nov. 3rd!