

Dear 6th Grade Parents:

We were so impressed with your children this week! They are becoming comfortable with our daily routine and have demonstrated their love for learning and capacity to engage in deep thinking. In turn, the teachers continue to develop mastery with the Summit approach and are making strategic adjustments to support and challenge every child. In particular, we are carefully monitoring the amount of screen time in each class and building more large and small group instruction into the lessons.

Project Based Learning is the bread and butter of our curriculum. It provides the opportunity to develop the Cognitive Skills and Habits of Success that are essential for 21st century learners while also promoting a passion for discovery. Ask your children at your Shabbat table about how they gathered evidence for the “Marble Mystery Project” in Science class and what they were trying to accomplish.

Four of our outstanding 6th graders articulated the following reflection (in their own words):

“I enjoyed this project because I was able to see where the shapes were, based on the trajectory of how it bounced off of it. We also used some of our 5 senses to determine where the shapes were.”

Amitai Bailey

“We had to choose 20 different colors for this project and each represents where we rolled the marbles. There is a piece of tape on every spot with color that the marble hit”

Edin Ashwal

“For this project, we rolled a marble under the table to try and see if the marble would come out the other side or if it came back to us. By doing this, we could solve the mystery of what’s under the table”

Ori Gorfinkel

“Using background knowledge, we inferred where the shapes were placed under the table without being able to see them. We did this by rolling marbles under the table and seeing where they came out and where they went after”

Atara Wiesen



Finally, we would love for you to see the learning in action on November 29th and 30th.
Please [click here](#) to indicate if you will be able to join us.

Shabbat Shalom

Rabbi Fried

Mrs. Julia Hodgkinson