

# Early Learning Center

Shalom,

The Early Learning Center's Purim family celebration was so much fun. We started our preparations in February by having Laura Sher come and bake



hamantaschen with the children. The students had a wonderful time in the kitchen, rolling the cookie dough, cutting out circles, filling them, baking them, and judging their hard work with a "quality control" tasting. The children even

enjoyed dressing up as these special treats!

Students also prepared *mishloach manot*, bags of treats to take home and share with their family, made masks for their parents to wear, and crafted groggers to create noise.

Our Purim family celebration began with Rabba Kaya leading us in the song *Chag Purim* (Purim Holiday), with singing, movements, and dancing; she was dressed as a very cute sunflower!



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Next, we presented the Purim story with each of the Early Learning Center students playing a part.

Parents did an excellent job with their groggers, drowning out Haman's name each time it was said during the narration of the Megillat Esther.

We then sat down with our families to enjoy our lunch and hamantaschen.

Next month we are looking forward to learning about Passover! Please see the first page of the bulletin for dates that school will be closed in April.



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