Dear 3rd Grade Judaic Students,

In order to have a classroom environment that will allow us to best learn, grow, and enjoy spending time together, we must follow our classroom rules and procedures. Let’s discuss some of the routines we will experience on a daily basis:

How to Enter Class:

1. Wait until teacher opens door
2. Sit down at assigned desk
3. Take out supplies listed on board and homework binder
4. Quietly begin the warm-up on the board/passed out by teacher

How to Leave Class for Changing Activities:

1. Put materials away
2. Line up quietly with the line leader first, line ender last, and follow teacher instructions for rest of class line up
3. Walk quietly through hallway on the correct side in a single line
4. Hold the door for the person behind you

How to Leave Class for End of Day:

1. Finish your closing activity/listen to homework instructions
2. Quietly pack up all materials and take only your backpack and HOMEWORK BINDER home
3. Line up quietly with the line leader first, and line ender last, and follow teacher instructions for rest of class line up
4. Walk quietly through hallway on the correct side in a single line
5. Hold the door for the person behind you

Bathroom Privileges:

1. Raise your hand to ask for permission
2. Take bathroom pass once teacher gives permission
3. Write your name on the sign-out sheet
4. Walk quietly out of class, through the hall and back into class

**Class Rules:**

1. **Always raise your hand and wait to be called on before speaking**
2. **Remain in seat unless otherwise instructed, keep your hands to yourself, and be safe!**
3. **Refrain from speaking when other classmates or teacher is speaking**
4. **Respect the class environment, your classmates, your teachers, and yourself**
5. **Follow directions the first time they are given**

Derech Eretz:

This year, we will learn about many different Mitzvot, and focus on being our best selves, by performing as many Mitzvot as we can and working on our Derech Eretz and Middot (appropriate behavior and good character, being a “mensch”).

In class, we had a discussion about acting with Derech Eretz at school. Please provide an example of acting with Derech Eretz in each of the following scenarios:

1. During recess, if I notice a classmate who is sitting alone and is not included in any game, I will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. At the end of lunch, if I notice my table is messy and trash is on the floor, I will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. If my classmate has been home sick for a few days, I will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
4. At the end of the day, I will say \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to my teachers and friends.

3rd Grade Mitzvah Economy System:

Students in our classroom can earn “mitzvah dollars” when behaving with Derech Eretz, and showcasing good Middot. Morah Michal will distribute Mitzvah dollars when:

1. Students show they are properly following class rules
2. Students appropriately participate in classroom discussions
3. Students provide insightful thoughts/show critical thinking and creativity
4. Students act kindly to their classmates and act with Derech Eretz
5. Students perform well on assignments and projects
6. Students properly perform their class jobs

In our classroom, we have a “Mitzvah Bank” where students will keep their Mitzvah Dollars. We also have a “Mitzvah Market,” which will be open every other Friday.

Students can use their Mitzvah Dollars to purchases prizes and incentive coupons at the market.

Class Jobs:

Each student will be assigned a weekly class job. The jobs will rotate every week, and each student will perform each job at least once. At the end of the week, students who properly and diligently performed their class job will earn a salary of $5 Mitzvah Dollars. Please refer to the Class Job Description sheet to see what each job entails.

Teacher-Student Contract:

As your teacher, I will:

1. Show respect for each child & for his or her family.
2. Provide a safe and comfortable environment that’s conducive to learning, and use activities in the classroom to make learning enjoyable.
3. Help each child grow to his or her fullest potential.
4. Provide meaningful & appropriate class work and homework activities.
5. Enforce school & classroom rules fairly & consistently; demonstrate professional behavior and a positive attitude, and act with Derech Eretz!

As a student, I will:

1. Always do my best.
2. Be kind and helpful to my classmates and teachers
3. Obey classroom and school rules.
4. Come to school ready to learn, prepared with my homework and supplies.
5. Try my best to behave properly, showcase good Middot, and act with Derech Eretz!

By working together, we will make this year a year of learning, growth, and fun!

Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_