

“Tfila”- Mosaic Art Wall
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Subject Area: Hebrew ,Prayer, Values and Art
Educational tool

Target Age: Grades 4-5; grades 6 - 8

Objectives:

- Learn Hebrew vocabulary in the prayer
- Express yourself through art
- Memorize the prayers order

Every time the class learns a prayer, the teacher will provide each student with a tile and is asked to draw one symbol that he/she remembered/learned from the prayer. Notice what the students take with them and what they understand from the “Tfila”. For example: when studying the ve’ahavta (you shall love) the children may draw a heart or write the name “Ahava” in Hebrew so it reminds them what the prayer is about. When learning the “Shema” the children may draw an ear for listening and the number 1 as for “Adonai is one”.

After learning 5 or more prayers your class can have an amazing mosaic art wall that can make the class look like a museum. In our classroom, this was something that impressed the parents everytime they came in. The parents also, were able to see visually what prayers are studied, so it offers parents a way to track what is learned in class.

- Teachers can also make the same thing with the Jewish holidays so you will have a holiday mosaic and it will remind the children the holiday’s order and it is easier for the students to learn and understand the Jewish holidays as it appears in class in front of their eyes.
- Another way for using the mosaic wall is when teaching about Israel. Every time the class learns about a main city in Israel, they can draw on one big tile and at the end of the year you have an amazing visual art and lots of memories from the places “visited”.

List of materials needed: Tiles, water paint or oil crayons , paint brushes, Sticky glue and lots of fun!!!!

I found this lesson plan very helpful for the kids as they really express themselves not just by sitting and learning as for being creative and showing artistic side. (And as we all know we don't have so much art projects that we can combine the "Tfilot" with our kids😊

The kids couldn't wait to finish and show off with their art project.

By the way you are all welcome to come and see the beautiful mosaic wall of Tfilot at "Har Hashem" in the south building.