

## OUR YEAR IN REVIEW: GROWTH - GAINS - GRATITUDE



### Elevated by Effort, Empowered by Community

As the school year comes to a close, we reflect on a journey shaped by growth, marked by meaningful gains, and grounded in deep gratitude. We have stretched beyond comfort zones, discovered new strengths, and supported one another through both challenges and celebrations. What we've built together—through shared effort, quiet determination, and a spirit greater than ourselves—has left an imprint on hearts and minds alike. As we look ahead, we carry with us not just what we've learned, but who we've become, thankful for every step that brought us here.

***“Believe in yourself and all that you are. Know that there is something inside you that is greater than any obstacle.”***

***— Christian D. Larson***



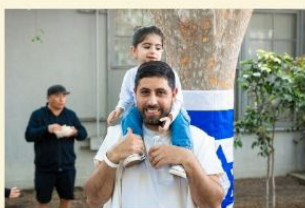


## A Reflection on a Year of GROWTH

As we look back on this year, we are proud to recognize not only the academic and personal growth of our students, but also the remarkable strengthening of our school community. One of the most powerful indicators of this progress has been the dramatic increase in parent participation at school events. From performances and exhibitions to cultural celebrations and family nights, our spaces have been filled with energy, support, and a shared sense of purpose.

This rise in family engagement is more than a number—it's a reflection of the trust, connection, and mutual investment that define our school's culture. It signals a vibrant partnership between home and school, where every event becomes an opportunity to celebrate student voices, honor diverse backgrounds, and deepen the bonds that make our community unique.

In a world that often feels increasingly disconnected, these moments of togetherness matter. They show our students that they are seen, valued, and surrounded by a network that believes in their potential. They remind us that education is not only about what happens in the classroom, but about the shared experiences that shape who we become—together.



***"Education is a shared commitment between dedicated teachers, motivated students, and enthusiastic parents with high expectations."***

— Bob Beauprez



# Celebrating GAINS That Matter

This year, our school community has experienced meaningful gains that extend far beyond academics. One of the most inspiring areas of growth has been the remarkable increase in positive school culture. Our staff and students alike have shown a renewed commitment to kindness, respect, and collaboration—fostering an environment where every individual feels seen, supported, and valued.

Students demonstrated greater empathy and positivity toward their peers, creating stronger friendships and a more inclusive atmosphere across classrooms and common spaces. Our staff modeled the same spirit, building deeper connections with students and one another, and contributing to a culture of care that uplifted the entire school.

These GAINS—rooted in character, connection, and shared values—have strengthened the heartbeat of our school. They are a reminder that growth is not only measured in numbers, but in the way we treat one another, rise together, and create a space where everyone can thrive.



***“I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.”***

**— Maya Angelou**





# Rooted in GRATITUDE

This season, we are especially mindful of the profound gratitude we hold for those who shape and strengthen our school community. We offer our deepest gratitude to our Principals and Wellness and Guidance Team, whose thoughtful leadership has created learning opportunities that honor diversity, celebrate culture, and embrace all forms of tradition. Their work has cultivated awareness, inclusion, and growth for both students and staff—leaving a lasting imprint on our community.

We also extend our heartfelt gratitude to our parents, whose support, encouragement, and generosity have been a steady and vital force. Your partnership has enriched our programs, uplifted our educators, and ensured that every child feels seen, supported, and empowered.

In every corner of our school, there is something to be thankful for—and at the center of it all is the enduring spirit of GRATITUDE that connects us.

*"Gratitude is not only  
the greatest of  
virtues, but the  
parent of all the  
others."  
— Cicero*



# Standout Moments of The Year

## Honorable Highlights Moments Worthy of Mention

- The Dance Competition was a SOLD OUT event, filling every seat with excitement and school spirit!
- 8th Graders embarked on their first-ever trip to Washington, D.C., marking a new tradition in educational travel.
- Israeli Independence Day was a HUGE success, uniting our community in joy, culture, and celebration.
- Valley Village completed its first successful year as a proud new campus of Lashon Academy.
- Lashon Academy is once again named a California Distinguished School — for the second year in a row!
- Our middle schoolers made meaningful contributions to science, showcasing innovation, curiosity, and critical thinking through hands-on projects and presentations.

As the year draws to a close, we pause in **GRATITUDE** for the moments that shaped us, the **GAINS** that strengthened us, and the **GROWTH** that continues to guide us. What we've sown in learning, we now reap in connection—and carry forward with purpose.

*From all of us at Lashon Academy, our hearts are full—and we thank you deeply for being part of this meaningful journey.*

