

Jane Fishman Grinberg Religious School Mishloach Manot Match

Purim is soon! The month of Adar begins this Friday and Saturday, February 12 and 13. Purim is celebrated beginning in the evening of Thursday, February 25 and continuing on Friday, February 26.

Please join your friends in the religious school community in participating in the Mitzvah of Mishloach Manot – exchanging gifts of food with friends.

Here are some ideas of what to include in your Mishloach Manot package:

Container: Can be a paper bag, a box, a plastic container, a bowl, a basket, really anything!

Food: The tradition is to give at least two kinds of foods that have different blessings. For example, you can give hamantashen, cookies, or snack cake – this has the blessing *borey miney mezonot*. And a candy – blessing *she-hakol nihiyeh bidvaro*. Or a fruit, like a small orange – *borey pri ha-etz*. Some people might get a small bottle of grape juice – *borey pri hagafen*.

You can make something, or buy it at the store. You can buy hamantashen from a local bakery like Giant in Wynnewood, Acme in Narberth, or Best Cake on Haverford Avenue near City Avenue. Any other kind of food should be easily found at the supermarket.

Please keep in mind that any food sent should be kosher. This makes it so everyone can participate. Fruit is always kosher. Cookies, candy, or any packaged food should have a kosher symbol, like O-U, Kaf-K, or O-K on it. Grape juice should be Kedem. Everything in the store bakeries at Acme Narberth and Giant Wynnewood is kosher. If you make something at home, ingredients should all be kosher.

Other things: You can include small toys or games. Anything from a Dollar Store that is small is perfect!

WE DON'T WANT YOU TO SPEND MORE THAN \$15 MAKING YOUR MISHLOACH MANOT!

Decorations: Here's the fun part. You can decorate the container, you can make a card, use stickers, or markers, or glue on any craft items like beads or yarn. Be creative and have fun!

Delivery: bring the Mishloach Manot to your friend (assignments will go out by February 19) on Purim Day – Friday, February 26 before Shabbat (which begins at 5:28 PM that day). Wear your costume to deliver! And be sure to wear masks and keep socially distant this year.

Here are some Purim Mishloach Manot website ideas:

https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/purim-gifts/

https://www.ohnuts.com/buy.cfm/purim-baskets-mishloach-manot-gifts-themes?show=96

https://www.simchasweets.com/pubapltr.html