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In a moving ceremony, children at Negba's "Les Cigognes" House of Hope in Beersheva paid tribute to long-time volunteer Ora, who is leaving Beersheva to live closer to her family. A volunteer at the House since its inception, and possibly Negba's most senior volunteer, Ora arrived once a week for over eight years to tutor children one-on-one in various subjects. "Ora's professionalism and warmth were felt by all," commented Hanna Geissmann, Negba's CEO. "She will be greatly missed by the kids, and by all the staff."



For the first time this year, a joint Shabbat was organized in the Levy-Willard House of Hope in Beersheva. The children arrived just before Shabbat at the House which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. After a festive dinner filled with singing, the children participated in an activity and then returned home to sleep. Most came back the next afternoon to participate in an *Oneg Shabbat* activity and enjoy an afternoon snack. These were beautiful moments!



The Teen Club of Hope visited the Air Force Museum, located near Beersheva. This museum traces the history of military aviation through the exhibition of over one hundred and fifty planes that were used by the IDF. Young visitors are invited to explore some of the planes and even sit in the pilot's cockpit. The visit might have planted some career aspirations...and it certainly triggered much curiosity and enthusiasm.



Some very talented young chefs are cooking up a storm at Negba's Houses of Hope. Each week, aprons and chef hats are donned at Negba's "Cooking around the World" workshops, aiming to equip the kids with basic skills in the kitchen, and to whet their palates with flavors of international cuisine. Whether Italian lasagna from Livorno, or French pastries from Paris, Negba's children are demonstrating their culinary capabilities, including washing up. All are welcome to stop in for a sample.

### *The smile of the month*

*Shoam, 7,  
"Les Cigognes" House of Hope  
Beersheva*

