

# GRADE 6 INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAM

This program involves 6<sup>th</sup> grade students in special activities with selected residents of the nearby Sunrise Assisted Living facility under the supervision of the facilities Director of Activities and the students' teacher. Students interact with the residents on a weekly basis over the course of a six (6) week period.

The goals of the program are to have the students experience the rewards of intergenerational involvement; to develop a sense of social commitment through shared experiences; and to fulfill the *mitzvot* of "honoring the elderly" and acts of loving kindness, among other things.

The programs' scope is to prepare students for interacting with the elderly. Interaction occurs through activities such as bowling; singing, trivia; arts and crafts; word games such as "hangman"; and *Hamantashen* baking for Purim.