

# Kumzits unites kehillos



Yitzchok Fuchs, Shloime Gertner and keyboardist Asaf Flumi

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## ► Dina Rosell

NEARLY 400 men and boys from both North West London and Stamford Hill descended upon Hasmonian Boys' School on Motzoei Shabbos for a unique Lag B'Omer event.

It was a kumzits arranged by Rabbi Dovid Tugendhaft of the Hendon Beis Hamedrash Nishmas Yisroel.

Popular singer Shloime Gertner opened the evening with lively niggunim in honour of Lag B'Omer and was then joined by the renowned singer and composer Yitzchok

Fuchs who was flown in from Eretz Yisroel especially for the event.

Mr Fuchs has gained worldwide acclaim for his niggunim which have been snapped up by famous artists including Mordechai Ben David. Shloime Gertner announced at the evening that he had secured the performing rights on one of Mr Fuchs's niggunim (*Shehamashiach Yagiah*) for his upcoming CD and the gathering were treated to a unique debut of the song.

Guests enjoyed fresh pizza and sushi courtesy of Avi Schwarz of Slice.

Danny Saltman of Edgware store The Wineman held a complimentary wine tasting, while the £1500 split the pot raffle was won by a visitor from Manchester who very generously donated his winnings back to Nishmas Yisroel to aid the event.

## Nightingale House remembers school

### ► Bezalel Cohen

NIGHTINGALE House has unveiled a plaque honouring an historic Jewish school for the deaf that stood in its grounds more than 50 years ago.

At an event last Sunday, the Mayor of Wandsworth, Councillor Adrian Knowles was amongst more than 60

guests who attended the event at the Jewish care home in Clapham, where the Residential School for Jewish Deaf Children stood between 1899 and 1965. Members of the Jewish Deaf Association, which offers support to people with hearing loss and their families, were joined by former teachers and students of the school, as well as Shanee Buxton,

Headmistress of Oak Lodge School, which also now occupies part of the land. Both Nightingale House and the Residential School for Jewish Deaf Children had their properties donated by local Jewish philanthropists of the time, Sydney Stern, Baron Wandsworth and his brother Sir Edward Stern in the 1890s.

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