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The Moment: BZ first graders connect social injustices during the Civil Rights Movement to their responsibilities as citizens of their classrooms and beyond.

The Background: This year, first-grade students used the themes of leadership, heroism and empathy to study key contributors to black history and the

Civil Rights Movement. Using widely known heroes such as Ruby Bridges, Jackie Robinson and Rosa Parks, students learned about the courage it takes to stand up for what is right. Using non-fiction texts, apps and videos, students conducted group research projects to determine how driving values led these strong individuals to change the course of history. Group work and discussions, research, and synthesis of new information led to the execution of a product meant to teach others.

The Outcome: Using posters, ebooks, and models students were able to teach classmates and teachers about how one courageous leader can change the world. Rooted in the same Jewish values we teach every day, these iconic historical figures embody the characteristics of leadership, courage and compassion we aspire to teach our students. Take a peek at the bulletin boards on the second floor, which showcase this amazing exploration!



Rosa Parks is a hero because she changed the rules and even went to jail.

At Bernard Zell we can be like Rosa Parks by being brave and standing up for civil rights.

