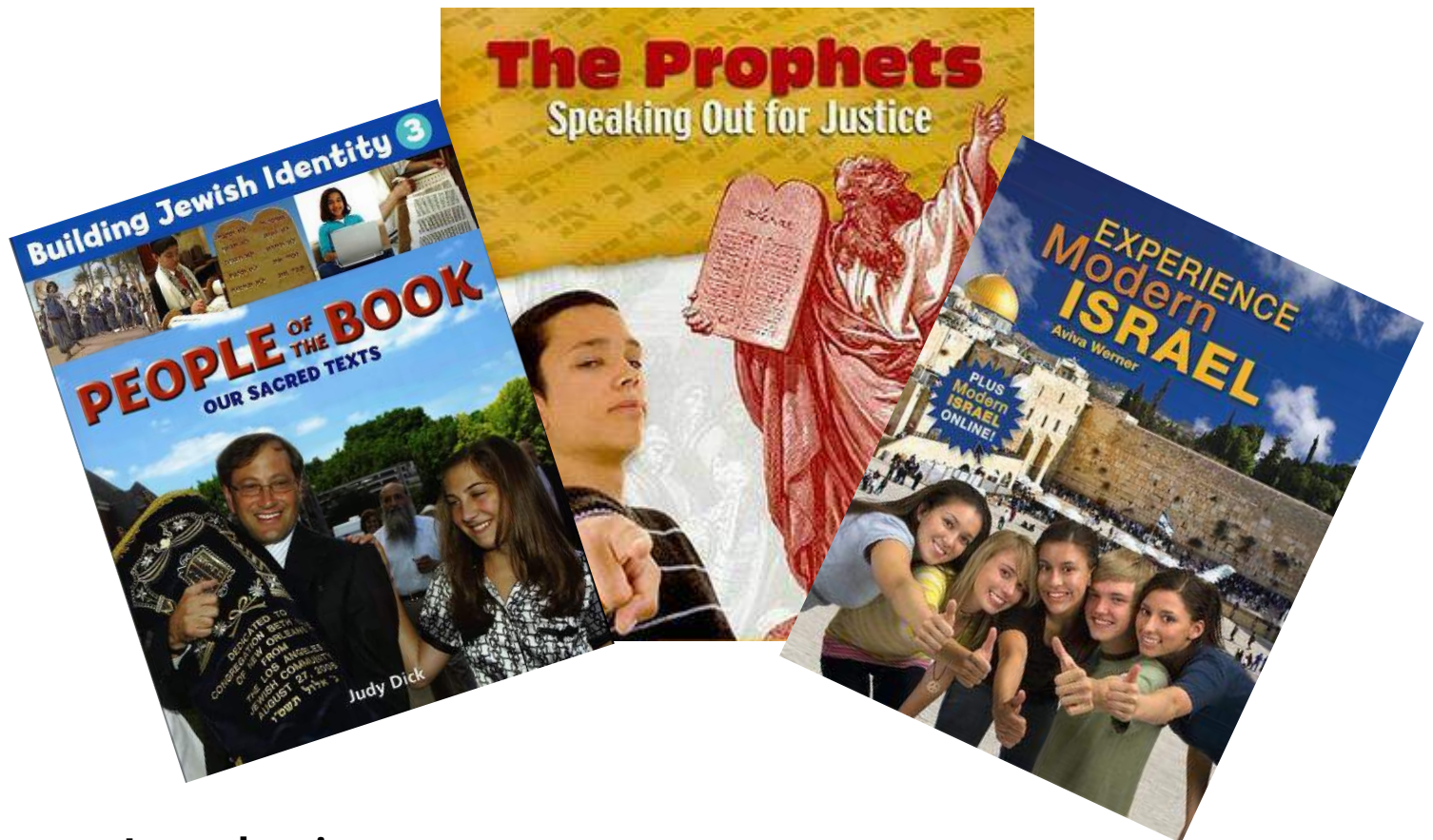


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HANDBOOK FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS



Introduction

Full details of our Bar/ Bat Mitzvah programme can be found in this year's course booklet. In this handbook, we want to provide a more detailed overview over the curriculum for students and parents. In the first term of this year, the class will learn about what it means to be the People of the Book. In the second term, the class will learn about modern day Israel with the final term focused on some of the important biblical prophets to explore how their words are relevant to us today.

Term Overview

Classes will be held on Saturday morning during term time. In general, the morning will start with a short cheder assembly at 10am in the Osorio Hall - parents are warmly invited to attend alongside their children. The Jewish Studies lesson will run from 10:15 - 11am. This will be followed by an optional introduction to Hebrew class from 11:15 - noon. Unless older siblings are also enrolled in the cheder, we ask that parents stay in or around the synagogue during class time until we can confirm that the children have fully settled in.

Term Dates

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Sat 13 Sep '25	Sat 10 Jan '26	Sat 18 Apr '26
Sat 20 Sep '25	Sat 17 Jan '26	Sat 25 Apr '26
Sat 27 Sep '25	Sat 24 Jan '26	Sat 02 May '26
Sat 04 Oct '25	Sat 31 Jan '26	Sat 09 May '26
Sat 11 Oct '25	Sat 07 Feb '26	Sat 16 May '26
Sat 08 Nov '25	Sat 28 Feb '26	Sat 06 Jun '26
Sat 15 Nov '25	Sat 07 Mar '26	Sat 13 Jun '26
Sat 22 Nov '25	Sat 14 Mar '26	Sat 20 Jun '26
Sat 29 Nov '25	Sat 21 Mar '26	Sat 27 Jun '26
Sat 06 Dec '25		Sat 04 Jul '26
Sat 13 Dec '25		

Jewish Studies Curriculum

We supply our teachers with a detailed curriculum for each lesson - parents are welcome to contact Rabbi Lea to receive a copy of the lesson plans. In this handbook, we are just sharing the topic of each lesson to allow students and parents to explore together what they are learning about.

Autumn Term

Sat 13 Sep '25	Welcome to Cheder
Sat 20 Sep '25	Family Study Session I
Sat 27 Sep '25	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: Yom Kippur
Sat 04 Oct '25	Jeremiah: Persistent Voice of Teshuvah Part I
Sat 11 Oct '25	Jeremiah: Persistent Voice of Teshuvah Part II
Sat 08 Nov '25	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: Rosh Chodesh
Sat 15 Nov '25	Family Study Session II
Sat 22 Nov '25	Isaiah: Righteous Spirit of Worship Part I
Sat 29 Nov '25	Isaiah: Righteous Spirit of Worship Part II
Sat 06 Dec '25	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: Hanukkah
Sat 13 Dec '25	Family Study Session III

Spring Term

Sat 10 Jan '26	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: The Jewish Calendar
Sat 17 Jan '26	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: Tu B'Shevat
Sat 24 Jan '26	Isaiah: Righteous Spirit of Worship Part III
Sat 31 Jan '26	Family Study Session IV
Sat 07 Feb '26	Isaiah: Righteous Spirit of Worship Part IV
Sat 28 Feb '26	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: The Pilgrim Festivals Pesach
Sat 07 Mar '26	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: The Pilgrim Festivals Shavuot
Sat 14 Mar '26	Family Study V
Sat 21 Mar '26	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: The Pilgrim Festivals Sukkot

Summer Term

Sat 18 Apr '26	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: Yom Hashoah
Sat 25 Apr '26	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: Yom Hazikaron and Yom Haatzmaut
Sat 02 May '26	Rediscovering the Jewish Holidays: Tisha B'av
Sat 09 May '26	Judaism's Great Debates: Introduction
Sat 16 May '26	Shavuot celebration
Sat 06 Jun '26	Family Study VI
Sat 13 Jun '26	Judaism's Great Debates: Abraham and God
Sat 20 Jun '26	Judaism's Great Debates: Moses and Korach
Sat 27 Jun '26	Judaism's Great Debates: David and Nathan
Sat 04 Jul '26	Fun Day