



Religious School News

SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

OPENING DAY

Thanks to everyone for supporting our opening day – Parking Lot Pep Rally. It was a great way to start a new year!

Wishing you and yours a very good and sweet New Year,

Debbie

Deborah Niederman, RJE
Director of Religious School and Young Family Programming



LEARNING THEME FOR K-6th Grades

This week we began to speak about our learning themes including the theme:

If I am not for myself who will be for me?

If I am only for myself, what am I?

If not now, when? (Pirke Avot 1:14)

AND –

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary; pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Part of the preparation we discussed was creating sacred space and making our religious school spaces holy. This is a reminder that part of being prepared is about just that. The items your children created for opening day (name sign, timbrel/tambourine, and the beach mat we gave them) can all help create a special space for learning. We want to help their time in religious school feel different than other times in front of the computer.

If your child(ren) is/are learning at home – please have these items nearby--it would be GREAT if they are visible in the screen. If they are learning on the lawn their name sign and beach mat will be here to greet them each week. Please have them bring the tambourine with them!

I want to again encourage parents to [watch this video](#) to better understand the K-6th grade curriculum and your role.

NEXT WEEK'S LEARNING THEME

Next week we will begin study of the first value:

Sukkat Shalom – Shelter of peace.

[Learn more here.](#)



FOR THOSE WHO ARE ATTENDING ONLINE WE WILL USE

THIS LINK EVERY SUNDAY: JOIN ZOOM MEETING

[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/84249425481](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84249425481)

MEETING ID: 842 4942 5481

PASSCODE: 225473

Drop Off & Pick Up Information

For Sunday sessions on the lawn, please drop off at the front door entrance.

For pick up, please park and meet your students where you dropped them off.

Upcoming Religious School Dates:

No classes the week of September 27th

October 4th - Pizza in the Hut - Greene Family Camp

Family Program in the sukkah

October 10th - Munchkin Minyan

October 16th & 17th - Family Shabbat Programs

October 18th - No Sunday Classes

October 18th - first session of Beyond Next Dor

Covid-19 Form

Everyone who enters the Temple building will be required to wear masks at all times. Before entering the building, everyone will have their temperature checked. Anyone with a temperature 100 degrees or over will not be able to enter.

Please download and complete [this form](#) and send it with your student.

We will consider the form active and current unless you tell us otherwise.

HEBREW SCHOOL

Hebrew school begins this week. If you are learning in person we will see you on Wednesday at 5:00pm.

If you are learning online, you will hear from your teacher this week to set up your regular weekly time.



**YOUR STUDENTS MAY
HAVE BROUGHT HOME
SOME SUPPLIES &
CRAFT MATERIALS.
WE ARE DOING
EVERYTHING WE CAN
TO MAKE THIS YEAR AS
EASY AS POSSIBLE FOR
YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY
BY PROVIDING YOU
WITH EVERYTHING
YOU NEED!**

Next Dor and Post B'nai Mitzvah Families these are [great questions](#) for promoting table conversations about the holidays.