

Elul 5777; August 2017

Dear CBI Community Hebrew School Friends,

Shalom! I'm truly glad to be back from summer break and planning for our new school year together. I've already met with all of our teachers, Jane, Heather and R. Rachel (and Inky too) and looking forward to welcoming our community back together. This year we are going to start with an exciting open house featuring singer and songwriter Ellen Allard on our first day, Monday September 11th. This concert is free, open to the wider community and will include a fresh melon bar and ice cream social. Feel free to bring friends. See the enclosed flyer with all the details.

Also enclosed are the registration forms for the coming year. Please fill out and send back to CBI (53 Lois St, N. Adams, 01247) as soon as possible so we can finalize our plans. The forms are also available on our website. I've also included our school calendar. Please note that additional school programming, a series of community dinners and holiday celebrations, will be scheduled once we hear about our grant awards for this coming year.

We continue to have three classes this year. Alef Tav, our K-3 class with Jane and Inky; Ne'arim our 4th-6th grade class with Heather, and our Bnai Mitzvah class of 7th graders. In addition, we are also planning to bring back our pre-school program. Details to come with our other grant generated programming by early September.

I am thrilled to be part of this community school and look forward to building community together. My director position is 12 hours per week- which means that running this school is definitely a team effort; parents are an important and vital ingredient. Please know that your input and time are welcome. Whether helping in the classroom, tutoring Hebrew letters, providing snacks, driving in a carpool or joining the education committee. I look forward to welcoming everyone as we begin our new year together. Feel free to write with questions, reflections or just to say hello david@maggiddavid.net.

B'Shalom,

David

David Arfa, Education Director

CBI Education Program Offerings 2017-2018; 5777-5778

Aleph Tav

Judaic Studies and Hebrew Education

Participants: children in grades K through 3

Meeting Time: Mondays 3:30PM-5:15PM

Lead Teacher: Jane Shiyah and Inquisitive Bernard, aka “Inky”, trained therapy dog and certified reading specialist. (I know, right? How lucky are we!)

Assistant Teacher: Beth Callahan

This class focuses on learning Hebrew letters, whole blessings, simple vocabulary; hearing Torah stories and bringing them to life with drama and flair; and bringing Judaism outdoors.

Ne'arim

Judaic Studies and Hebrew Education

Participants: children in grades 4 through 6

Meeting Time: Mondays 3:30PM-5:15PM.

Teacher: Heather Levy

This class continues Hebrew study focusing on prayers and the introducing the great books of Jewish heritage. Art projects will be used to bring meaning to life.

Bnai Mitzvah

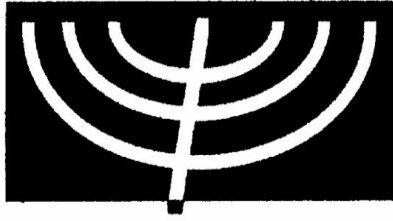
Judaic Studies and Hebrew Education

Participants: Bnai Mitzvah students

Meeting Time: Mondays 3:30-5:15

Teacher: Reb Rachel

The focus is threefold: Practicing Hebrew Prayer; Introducing the world of Mitzvot; and participating in Torah study. In addition, open questions on being Jewish in today's world are encouraged and explored.



Congregation Beth Israel

חבורת בית ישראל

CBI Education Registration Form

Please submit registration forms and payments by the first day of school.

| Children's Name | Hebrew Name (if one is chosen) | Grade | Age/Birthdate |
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| Parent 1 | Parent 2 |
| Address 1 | Address 2 |
| City/Town | State/ Zip |
| Home Phone | Cell Phone |
| Work Phone | Email |

Emergency Contact Information:

Name: _____

Relationship to Child: _____

Phone: _____

Are you a CBI member? Yes No

Is your child enrolled in any other religious education program? Yes No

If yes, please describe :

What are your hopes for your child(ren) this year?

May we contact about volunteer needs?

- Yes, I'm happy to help when I can.
- No, I'm not available during school time.

Does your child bring any medical or behavioral concerns with them- food allergies, medical conditions, special medications or individualized educational needs that require attention?

Is there anything else you would like us to know about your child(ren) that will support their experience with Summer Dalet Days?

CBI Education Tuition for the 2017-2018 School Year

Aleph Tav
\$265 Members
\$365 Non-Members

K through 3rd graders, held on Monday afternoons from 3:30-5:15.

Ne'arim
\$315 Members Only

4th through 6th grade, held on Monday afternoons from 3:30-5:15. Enrollment in Ne'arim is limited to CBI members.

Bnai Mitzvah
\$365 Members Only

7th graders, held on Monday afternoons from 3:30-5:15. Enrollment is limited to CBI Members. Tuition includes additional preparatory meetings with the Rabbi.

EDUCATION TUITION FOR CBI MEMBERS:

Aleph Tav \$ ____ per child x ____ child(ren) = \$ ____

Ne'arim \$ ____ per child x ____ child(ren) = \$ ____

Bnai Mitzvah \$ ____ per child x ____ child(ren) = \$ ____

GRAND TOTAL (amount enclosed) \$ ____

NOTE: No child will be turned away from our programs for lack of ability to pay the tuition. CBI is committed to assuring a Jewish education for all of our children. Please feel free to speak in confidence to Rabbi Rachel Barenblat and treasurer Sue Hogan if you have any concerns about the costs of the programs.