

Alef & Bet (Grades 1 & 2) Special Events Calendar for Families – 5772--2011 – 2012

Please note that this is a Special Events Calendar and NOT a complete list of all Religious School dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Sunday, September 18	First Sunday of Religious School Grades K-6	Session 1 8:45-10:45am Session 2 (k-3) 11:00-1:00pm (4-6) 11:00-1:30pm
	<u>Alef (Grade 1) Parents join students (before assembly)</u>	Session 1 10:00am Session 2 12:45pm
	Opening Day Assembly (Parents are invited to join us for the last 25 minutes of the session)	Session 1 10:20-10:45am Session 2 1:05-1:30pm
Wednesday, September 28	NO SCHOOL (Erev Rosh Hashanah)	
Sunday, October 9	NO SCHOOL (Columbus Day Weekend)	
Friday, October 14 New Date!	<u>New Alef (Grade1) Students Only</u> Consecration Ceremony & dessert (for the whole family)	6:30-7:30pm Following the picnic in The Sukkah at 5:30pm
Saturday, November 5	Shir Shabbat Family Service (K-5) <u>Bet (Grade 2) Special Participants</u>	9:15-10:15am
Sunday, November 13	<u>Bet (Grade 2) Family Program</u> "Setting Your Clock To Jewish Time" (Parent(s) join students for second hour)	Session 1 9:45-10:45am Session 2 12:00-1:00pm
Sunday, November 27	NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY	
Saturday, Dec. 18	Alef & Bet (Grades 1 & 2) Family Program "What is a Mitzvah?" and Social Action Sunday (Parent(s) attends with 1st & 2nd graders)	Session 1 8:45-10:45pm Session 2 11:00am-1:00pm
Sunday, Dec.25- Jan 1	NO SCHOOL- WINTER BREAK	
Saturday, January 14	Shir Shabbat Family Service (K-5) <u>Alef (Grade 1) Special Participants</u>	9:15-10:15am
Sunday, January 15	NO SCHOOL - MLK Weekend	
Saturday, February 4	Shir Shabbat Brunch & Service with guest leaders- <i>The Allards</i>	9:15am Brunch 10:00am Service
Sunday, Feb.19-26	NO SCHOOL- February Vacation	

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Thursday, March 8	Purim: Megillah Reading and Purim Carnival	3:30 – 4:00pm carnival time for young children 4:00-6:30 pm Purim Carnival 6:30-7:30pm Megillah Reading & Shpiel
Saturday, March 24	Shir Shabbat Family Service (K-5) <u>Gan (Grade K) Special Participants</u>	9:15-10:15am
Sunday, March 25	Marshall Derby Children's Event: Concert with Peri Smilow and Julie Silver (for the whole family)	10:45-11:45am (during religious school)
Sunday, April 8	NO SCHOOL-PESACH	
Sunday, Apr 15-22	NO SCHOOL-April Vacation	
Friday, May 4	6:15 Shabbat Services (Grades K-2) special participants	5:15 pm dinner 6:15 pm services
Sunday, May 6	MITZVAH DAY (in lieu of religious school)	For members of all ages Most projects are in the Am
Sunday, May 20	Last Day of School Closing Activities (for the whole family)	10:00 am

"...Study is great, for it leads to action" (Talmud:Kiddushin 40b)

Celebrating Shabbat Together

- 6:15pm services with special participants by grade followed by family Shabbat dinner
- 9:15am Shir Shabbat services with special participants by grade followed by bagel oneg

This year specific grades have been designated as special participants at shabbat services. This will give students an opportunity to lead a prayer, share a reading and/or a song at the service. We look forward to your family joining the Temple Isaiah community for these Shabbat services and meals.

Social Action Sundays

Every grade will have a social action activity worked into one of its Sunday family education programs and this will culminate with the community-wide mitzvah day.

Family Education Programs

The Family Education program in grades 1 & 2 is a parent/child learning program which is an integral part of the curriculum. Sessions take place on Sunday during religious school hours. Parent(s) are asked to set aside the time to participate with their child(ren) on the designated dates.

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