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FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

## NOAH ARONSON

We are delighted to welcome Noah, from New York to EHRS, for a concert and seudah tea for all. This concert is a rare opportunity to hear him in the UK.

Book your tickets now *Page 4*

## ALL THINGS JEWISH

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## CONTACT US

At the time of publication, life seems to be improving since last year's difficulties. The synagogue departments are operating as normal at this time. The telephone is operated during the normal office hours. So we continue to carefully and warmly welcome you back into services, classes and an increasing number of in person activities have resumed. We want to ensure we are able to welcome as many people as safely as possible. Please note that we are no longer requesting that you book into services, but will keep this under review. We are also reviewing the wearing of face masks. We should continue to use hand sanitiser.

Please call the synagogue first if you would like to visit us.

Please try to make any payments via the synagogue website at [www.ehrs.uk/](http://www.ehrs.uk/) payment, via bank transfers or otherwise please phone to pay with a credit or debit cards. Please can we ask you not to send cheques and certainly please do not bring in (or send) cash.

### BEREAVEMENT

**During office hours:** in all cases of bereavement please contact June Lewis, the Rabbis' Personal Assistant.

**Out of office hours:** in all cases of a bereavement outside office hours requiring a burial at any cemetery or cremation please call the Jewish Joint Burial Society on 020 8989 5252 and listen to their full message.

JJBS email [info@jewishfunerals.org.uk](mailto:info@jewishfunerals.org.uk)

### THE RABBIS

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## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

**Have you Got News for Us? Whether it be a birth, anniversary or special birthday, please let us know so it can be announced. Please email [communications@ehrs.uk](mailto:communications@ehrs.uk)**

### BIRTHS

Aiden James, a son for Lisa and Nick Yerolemides, a brother for Emily, a grandson for Corinne and David Freedman.

### BAR/BAT MITZVAH

**28 May** - Rebecca Solomons, daughter of Wayne and Sarah z"l.

**11 June** - Leo Tyler, son of Phil and Katie.

**18 June** - Phoebe and Layla Stiassny, daughters of Daniel and Lisa.

**25 June** - Jackson San, son of Daniel and Abigail.

**2 July** - Joshua Millman, son of Spencer and Joanna.

### AUFRUFS

**21 May** - Daniel Moss and Ilana Young. David Mendoza-Wolfson and Melissa Williams.

**28 May** - Annie Maddison and Matthew Gibson.

**18 June** - Frankie Stubbs and Ben Abram.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Mazel Tov to Karen and Irving Caplan on the engagement of their son Adam Caplan to Sveta Portman, daughter of Mila and Arkady Portman.

### WEDDING

Mazel Tov to Diane and David Moss on the marriage of their daughter Hannah Moss, to Richard Helman son of Helena and Philip Helman.

### BABY NAMINGS

**21 May** - George Dos Santos Jayson, son of Richard and Ana Jayson.

### BIRTHDAYS

Mazel Tov to Maureen Gorb on her 80th birthday.

A very special Mazel Tov to Alfred Leader on his 100th birthday!

### ANNIVERSARIES

Mazel Tov to Stuart and Melanie Abbey on their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Mazel Tov to Fran and Lester Koster on their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Mazel Tov to Michael and Babs Weintraub on their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

### CONDOLENCES

To Sara Maier on the loss of her husband, Joachim Maier.

To Shirley Raperport on the loss of her husband, Malcolm Raperport.

To Rosamond Kane on the loss of her husband, Russell Kane.

To Barbara Ashley on the loss of her husband, Leonard Ashley.

To Gloria Cohen on the loss of her husband, Norman Cohen.

To Max Botchin on the loss of his wife, and Lloyd and Spencer Botchin on the loss of their mother, Shirley Botchin.

To Brenda Boyne on the loss of her husband, and David, Steven, Warren and Mark Boyne on the loss of their father, Cyril Boyne.

To Michael Weintraub on the loss of his father, Morris Weintraub.

To Aviva Shafritz on the loss of her father, Michael Morris.

To Gary Swerner on the loss of his mother, Rose Swerner.

To Ema Bilgora-Kelly on the loss of her mother, Shirley Bilgora.

To Lisa Cookson on the loss of her mother, Shirley Cook.

To Lesley Ockwell on the loss of her mother, and Murray Levene on the loss of his sister, Cynthia Silver.

To Gabi Rozental on the loss of her brother, Genya Ben Shoeshan.

To Sue and Robert Amstel on the loss of their son, David Amstel.

To Anthony Waterman on the loss of his uncle, Peter Wise.

To Rosalind Wilson on the loss of her mother, Jill Kandler.

To Paul, David and Laurence Stone on the loss of their mother, Gloria Stone.

To the families of Clive Austin, Ingrid Digregorio, John Epstein and Raymond Mendoza.

### NEW MEMBERS:

A warm welcome is extended to the following new members of our community:

Samantha, Sophie & Max Pollard.

Elliot, Stephanie, Zachary & Theodore Isaacson.

Maurice Futerman & Vivien Kemeny. Oksana, Oleksandr, Michael & Avital Dikusar.

Mark Felstein, Francesca Considine & Evie-Louise Thurston.

Abigail Petter.

Matthew Wrench.

Grace Silverman.

Amy Harrod.

Susan Isaacson.

Katherine Wrench.

Lily Morris.

Alexia Jamieson.

Svetlana Portman.

James Aitman.

## SERVICES

There is now no need to book for services and events with in person attendance unless specified. Please visit the calendar section of the website [www.ehrs.uk](http://www.ehrs.uk) where you will find more information on how you can join us, and if you need to pre-book. If a Service is on Zoom please see forthcoming Our Week Ahead emails, or email [admin@ehrs.uk](mailto:admin@ehrs.uk).

If you are not able to use the Synagogue website, then please call the EHRS office on 020 8238 1000.

### Erev Shabbat Service

**Every Friday Evening, 18:30-19:20**

Our Erev Shabbat Service takes place every Friday Evening. Led by our Rabbis in person at our Synagogue and through the EHRS Livestream Classic Channel. They give a beautiful sense of rest and togetherness to help you to cope with the stresses of the world. There is no need to book to join us.

### Shabbat Morning Service 10:30-12:30

Our Shabbat Morning Service is held in the EHRS Beit Tefillah (sanctuary). The service is also available on the EHRS Livestream Classic Channel.

### Kuddle Up Shabbat by Livestream

**Every Friday Afternoon, 16:15-16:45**

Join our Rabbis and their Shabbat Dinosaurs for Shabbat stories and songs on Zoom. Best for children 7 and under. We look forward to hearing your suggestions for what to put in the chicken soup pot and where you have your Shabbat feelings!

### Kuddle Up in Person

**Fridays 6 May & 10 June, 16:15-16:45**

On these dates, Kuddle Up Shabbat will be held in person at EHRS, with a special Yom Ha'Atzmaut, Israel Independence Day, theme on 6 May. You will need to book in for this one on the Synagogue website or call the Synagogue office. You are welcome to arrive from 15:45 for a Shul playdate before Kuddle Up begins.

### HaKol B'Seder Service

**Saturday 7 May, 10:30-12:15**

Join Student Cantor Rachel Weston and Rabbi Debbie for a special service which includes new music from the Reform and Conservative Jewish world, an interpretative Torah reading and plenty of participation. The service uses our regular Reform Judaism Siddur. You can join us in person at EHRS on the EHRS Facebook page or on Zoom.

### Early Risers Service

**Saturdays 14 May & 11 June, 9:30-11:00**

This especially friendly service will be



mostly in Hebrew, use nusach (traditional modes of chant for the prayers), include the Torah reading and Musaf (which is the repetition of the Amidah special to Shabbat) and other features to create a participative experience, ending with a hospitable Kiddush. Led by members of congregation and Shaliach Tzibbur, Jeremy Harrod. Hosted by our Rabbis.

### Shabbat Shirah

**Saturdays 14 May & 11 June, 11:15-12:15**

This is EHRS's Shabbat morning experience for 0-100's with rhythm in their souls, featuring a live band, an energetic Shabbat service suitable for children of all ages, a Torah reading and the chance for everyone to participate in making the music. Led by Rabbi Mark. If you play an instrument and would like to be part of the band let Rabbi Mark know at [rabbi.mark@ehrs.uk](mailto:rabbi.mark@ehrs.uk) so he can invite you in.

### Chumash Babies – A sensory Shabbat experience for your five senses

**Saturday 21 May, 10:30-11:30**

This is a special Shabbat experience for our very youngest children, their parents, siblings and grandparents. It brings together baby sensory play and Jewish ways of experiencing the wonder of Shabbat for a delightful half hour with Rabbi Mark and Sarah Koster. See, hear, feel, taste and smell Shabbat with your baby! Followed by a Shabbat brunch to help us all get to know each other. Booking essential so that we cater properly!

### Healing Service

**Saturday 21 May, 11:15-12:15**

On this Shabbat, please join Rabbi Mark for a service of healing in person here at EHRS or on Zoom. Our service will include prayer and inspiring texts that will help us to begin or continue a process of coming to terms with challenges of all kinds.

### Friday Night Lights

**Friday 27 May, 20:00-20:45**

Join our Rabbis on Erev Shabbat for a warm and friendly candle lighting and Shabbat songs, on Zoom or the EHRS Facebook page through Facebook Live.

### Shabbat Club and Birthday Blessings Saturdays

**Saturdays 28 May & 25 June, 11:15-12:15**

Our Shabbat experience for up to 11 year olds to enjoy parasha and Shabbat themed activities, stories and songs. If it is your birthday this month then at the end of the service in the Beit Tefillah (main Synagogue) we would love to celebrate with you with a birthday blessing just before Kiddush at 12:30.

### Shabbat B'Ya'ar – Shabbat in the forest!

**Saturday 4 June, 10:30**

As we prepare to climb mount Sinai at Shavuot this evening, join Rabbi Debbie for our outdoor walking Shabbat service. We will meet at the Red Road Park playground in Borehamwood (and will be exploring areas of the woods and meadows we missed last year!) Climb towards Sinai with us as we explore how our prayers and nature meet and complement each other. Children and dogs all welcome!

### Shabbat B'Bayit

**Saturday 18 June, 11:00-12:00**

Join Rabbi Debbie LIVE on the EHRS Facebook page or on Zoom for Shabbat B'Bayit, a fun Shabbat morning service with songs, stories, and Shabbat reflections to give you Shabbat flavour without the formality.

### Cornerstone Service

**Saturday 2 July, 10:30-12:15**

Our Cornerstone class and Rabbi Jackie Tabick warmly invite all to join us for an explanatory Shabbat Morning service where we will unpack some of the prayers, go at a slower pace, and learn as we pray. Join us in person, on the Learning and Soul Livestream Channel, or on Zoom.

### Sunday Shacharit 09:30-10:00

Join our weekly Sunday Shacharit in the EHRS Beit Midrash.



**Work Avenue** – If you are looking to do a training course but are prevented due to the expense Work Avenue's vocational training bursary fund may be able to help. Vocational training courses funded by the Richard Mintz Bursary Fund can help you develop essential skills needed in today's competitive workplace, boost your chances of finding employment or nurturing a successful business and expand your potential choice of work. Please go to [www.theworkavenue.org.uk/rmbf](http://www.theworkavenue.org.uk/rmbf)

**EHRS Let's Talk Mental Health** – If you missed our educational talk on eating disorders in February you can watch it by going to the Mental Health and Wellbeing page under Community Care on the EHRS website where you will also find the link for the Let's Talk Social Media event held last year.

**Housing options** – We recently heard from an organisation providing bespoke Homeshare matches which is an ideal way of allowing someone to remain independent in their own home, whilst offering them companionship and practical support. The organisation has a bank of potential sharers and runs full background checks, references and DBS checks before any Homeshare begins. The sharer can help with meal preparation, food shopping, odd chores around the home, gardening, help going to appointments and companionship. This can all help to give families peace of mind knowing there is an overnight presence in the home with their loved one. Sharers cannot offer physical care, assistance with bathing, dressing or administering medication, which would need to be provided by daily carers. Depending on circumstances, this may be an alternative housing option to consider and if you would like to discuss any housing or care issues further please contact Val.

**Bereavement groups** – We now have three bereavement groups as detailed below and if you would like to know more about them please either sign up under the Get Together tab on the EHRS website or call Community Care for more details.

**Genesis:** social group run by EHRS member Sue Casale for those in their 60s to early 70s which also provides bereavement support, **Phoenix:** newly formed group for those aged 70 plus provides social activity and bereavement support, **Coffee and**



### Bereavement Support at EHRS

Have you suffered the loss of a partner, relative or friend?

Would you welcome the opportunity to talk to someone who will listen to how you are feeling?

EHRS offers reassurance, comfort and the chance to explore your emotions.

If you are recently bereaved and would like more information please contact the Community Care Department on 020 8238 1013 or email [communitycare@ehrs.uk](mailto:communitycare@ehrs.uk)

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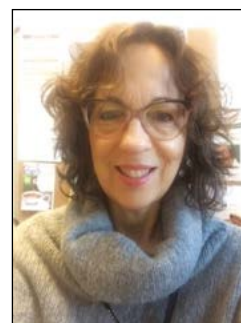


**Chat:** run by EHRS member Shirley Lever open to all ages and meets every second and fourth Wednesday morning at EHRS.

**Lunch Club** – Our popular monthly lunch club continues to run on the second Tuesday monthly with the next lunch on 10 May. Booking is essential and if you have not been before and would like to know more please call us.

**Memory Way Café** – Our well established Café is held on the third Wednesday monthly and we provide tea, cake, support and advice in a warm and welcoming environment for those living with dementia and their family carers. In March we welcomed back the Jewish Museum with their Curious Minds interactive workshop and we have planned a programme of activities for the rest of the year. If you are interested and would like to know more about our café please call us.

Do you or someone you know need a helping hand with technology? Jewish Care explore can help guide you through using your computer, phone or tablet to help you stay connected with your friends, family and community. To register your interest for a session at EHRS, please contact [communitycare@ehrs.uk](mailto:communitycare@ehrs.uk) or call us. Val Joseph 020 8238 1013, Marissa Rosenthal 020 8238 1015 [communitycare@ehrs.uk](mailto:communitycare@ehrs.uk)



Val Joseph

### Cornerstone Tuesdays, 19:00-19:45 & 20:00-21:30

Cornerstone, our introduction to Judaism course is open to everyone in the community, and those exploring conversion.

Our Cornerstone programme is open to any member of the community wanting to deepen their Jewish knowledge, as well as those exploring conversion and non-Jewish partners wanting to learn more about creating a Jewish home.

Join us for prayer-book Hebrew (in 3 streams from beginners to intermediate) 19:00-19:45, and/or for Jewish Studies 20:00-21:30, Tuesday evenings during term time. Contact [rabbi.debbie@ehrs.uk](mailto:rabbi.debbie@ehrs.uk) for more details.

Each term also features an explanatory Shabbat Service which the whole congregation is warmly invited to. This term our service will be on Saturday 2 July 2022 - look out for more information in Our Week Ahead email.



### Noah Aronson in Concert at EHRS

Saturday 2 July

Concert, 17:30-18:30 ~ Tea and Talk with the Artist, 18:30-19:00

£5 for EHRS members, £7 for non-members, £15 family ticket

Noah Aronson, based in New York, has been creating and performing beautiful and moving Jewish music for twenty years. His music is part of the repertoire of Synagogues worldwide and his workshops at Limmud and Reform Judaism's Shirei Chagigah are legendary! Noah's music is interactive and unlocks the meaning of our prayers for all ages. This concert is a rare opportunity to hear him in the UK and to experience some of the best of today's Jewish music performed by its composer. Book your ticket at [www.ehrs.uk/event/noaharonson](http://www.ehrs.uk/event/noaharonson)







community in Odessa as she had to flee the country and then work to keep the community together and help them to support each other from safety in Warsaw and now in Germany. We gave generously to the appeals for money to enable humanitarian and community work in Ukraine and the countries to which Ukrainian refugees have fled, from World Jewish Relief (WJR) and the World Union for Progressive Judaism (WUPJ) as help on the ground is the best help.

This article has to be written in early April and we cannot know where Ukraine will be by the time this edition of LeDor VaDor is distributed, but we know that whatever is happening we will be praying as we have in Shul every Shabbat that ‘peace will come soon and that the work of rebuilding all that has been lost will begin’. As our prayer says every week, ‘We will be with you, alongside you, to take part in that holy work.’

Ever since Putin’s invasion of Ukraine on 24 February there has, despite all this, been a sense of helplessness that there is so little we can do from London to make a difference. That is why our event on the first Sunday in April, ‘Walk and Hour in Their Shoes’ felt so powerful. Nearly fifty members of EHRS from eight years of age to members well into the eighties completed a sponsored walk carrying banners made by the children of Orot.



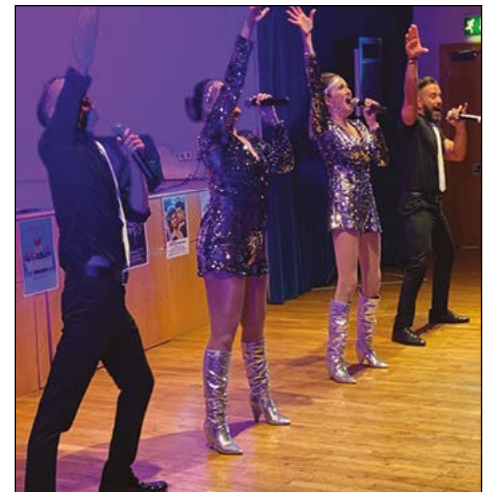
We were tooted in support by many people driving by and when we paused at our half way mark we heard live from Rabbi Tanya Sakhnovitch, in Warsaw, supporting Ukrainian refugees who have made it to the Ec Chayim Reform Synagogue in the city. Rabbi Tanya told us of how she and her family had escaped from Kyiv to Poland in the early days of the conflict. We returned to EHRS to enjoy Ukrainian foods and to celebrate that this walk had raised more than £1000 for the WJR and WUPJ appeals.

We will keep this support coming. You will see in this edition that we plan a supper quiz, in aid of the appeals, on 22 May. If our families do begin to host refugees we will ensure that EHRS becomes an extension of the homes in which they are being hosted. Already Nagila, our Kindergarten, is expecting a Ukrainian child to join them learning here. We will play our part in the restoration of the strong Reform Jewish and other Jewish communities in Ukraine. We will show that we walk in the same shoes and that we know each other’s hearts.

**Rabbi Mark Goldsmith**

## PURIM 2022

EHRS came alive once again as we celebrated Purim in a variety of ways. This included a Families Purim Party, our Shushanwood at the Movies Film Party, the Megillah reading, Late Night Cocktails & Mocktails, and our LIVE music event Sunday Night Fever where we welcomed Movie Mayhem, a superb four piece act who got the crowd singing and dancing!





# Yom HaZikaron Commemoration & Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebrations

**Wednesday 4 May 2022, 19:30-22:00 at EHRS**

**A combination EHRS Cook-Along, Israeli Dancing, Israeli Songs, Israeli Whisky Tasting, and EveryJew Cinema event.**

The evening begins with a Tekes (Ceremony) for Yom Hazikaron, the day when we remember Israel's fallen soldiers and terror victims, led by our Rabbis and EHRS Choir.

We then transition into a celebration of Israel's 74<sup>th</sup> birthday bringing together five of our EHRS Together Groups.

We will cook Israeli food, dance Israeli dances, sing Israeli songs, taste Israeli whisky distilled in Tel Aviv, and enjoy the Israeli comedy thriller Maktub that we were originally intending to see at Yom Ha'atzmaut 2020 before lockdown changed everything!  
Come for an evening to experience a taste of Israel in HA8!

**Please book at [www.ehrs.uk/event/israel2022](http://www.ehrs.uk/event/israel2022)  
Suggested donation of £5 upon booking or on the night**

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## **EHRS Supper** *QUIZ* *Night* in aid of Ukraine

**Sunday 22 May, 19:00 at EHRS**

You can book a table of 8 or 10, or you can book individual tickets and we will add you to a table.

There will be a fish & chip supper, with a vegetarian option.  
Please specify your choice when booking.

Tickets are £25.00 per person  
with all proceeds going directly to World Jewish Relief and World Union for Progressive Judaism's humanitarian and community sustaining relief for the people of Ukraine.

You can also sponsor a table for £100.

There will also be a raffle with great prizes on offer!  
Please email [laurence.stein@ehrs.uk](mailto:laurence.stein@ehrs.uk) if you would like to donate a raffle prize.

**Please book online at [www.ehrs.uk/event/quizforukraine](http://www.ehrs.uk/event/quizforukraine)**

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Wow what fun we have been having! Purim was a roaring success with our sell out The Circle of Purim, movie themed party. Dress up, movie themed craft, Shrek's Swap messy play, making Frozen ice cream to name just a few of the activities enjoyed by all. The party ended with Pizza & Chips and some going home mishloach manot bags. We also celebrated Purim at Shabbat Stay & Play, with some sensory purim themed play, making hamataschen, songs, stories and lots of bubbles! Seeing the babies in their cute costumes was an extra bonus.

Chumush Babies is a new baby sensory shabbat service was just wonderful. Babies, with their older siblings, parents and grandparents had such a lovely time exploring Shabbat through all the 5 senses. Followed by a yummy catered brunch.

Our monthly Shabbat Club and birthday blessings are super special. We have enjoyed activities such as, making scenes from the weekly parasha out of lego, creating our own wax shabbat candles and exploring the rules of Kashrut.

### Shabbat Stay & Play

**Fridays 10:30-11:45 (Term time)**

Our baby and toddler group with toys, crafts and song session and Kiddush with the Rabbis. The perfect way to meet other parents, and enjoy a hot drink and a catch up. Please book in advance.

### Kuddle up In Person

**Fridays 6 May & 10 June, 16:15-16:45**

Our special interactive Shabbat service

Join us for our monthly Shabbat experience!

# Shabbat Club



**Occurs Monthly on Saturday mornings, 11:15-12:15**



For all children up to 11 years old\*

Enjoy Parasha & Shabbat themed activities, Lego Bible!, and Stories & Songs.

Our club will finish in time to join the main service for Kiddush.

\*under 5's must be accompanied by a carer

For specific dates and to book, please go to the Young Families page on the website, [www.ehrs.uk/youngfamilies](http://www.ehrs.uk/youngfamilies)

Please email [youngfamilies@ehrs.uk](mailto:youngfamilies@ehrs.uk) if you have any queries and please also visit our Facebook Page EHRS Young Families.

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for pre-schoolers. Songs, stories and activities. A perfect way to introduce your little ones to a synagogue service. You can collect CRP points from attending. Early arrival (optional) from 15.45! Come straight from school pick up, or just arrive early to play before the service. Selection of toys for the kids and hot drinks available for the adults! All other weeks will be online on Zoom. Login details will be on OWA emails.

### Chumash Babies

**Saturdays 21 May & 16 July, 10:30-11:30**

A sensory Shabbat experience for babies and their families. Join us for a sensory session exploring the five senses, followed by a catered breakfast Kiddush.

### Shabbat Club!

**On the fourth Saturday of the month 11:15**

A monthly Shabbat experience for up to 11 year olds to enjoy Parasha and Shabbat themed activities, stories and songs. Finishing in time to join the community for Kiddush around 12:15.

### Monthly Birthday Blessings

**On the last Shabbat of the month**

We are delighted to invite all children each month to join us for a birthday blessing in the main service. Families will be sent personal invites, but do let us know if your child has a birthday coming up to make sure we have you on our list! Kiddush will include a special birthday cake treat!

### Bumps, Babies & Coffee!

**Wednesday 4 May, 10:30-12:00**

Are you about to have a baby or have recently had a baby? Come and join our informal morning to connect with others, share ideas & discuss relevant topics in the transition to parenting and life with a new baby. Facilitated by Emma Gilmore, Postnatal Practitioner.

### Erev Shavuot Street Party!

**Sunday 5 June, 11:00-12:30**

Come and celebrate Shavuot & the Queens Jubilee with us. Climb our very own Mt Sinai inflatable slide, enjoy a cheesecake & ice cream Kiddush, and take part in creative activities for all.

Please go to [www.ehrs.uk/youngfamilies](http://www.ehrs.uk/youngfamilies) to book for any of the above events. Sarah Koster, Young Families Lead  
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Our Erev Shavuot offerings are online

## Saturday 4 June

# Shavuot 2022/5782

### Erev Shavuot Service, 19:30-20:30

Led by our Rabbis on the EHRS Classic Channel.

This service introduces us to the festival for this year.

### Tikkun Ley'l Shavuot, 20:30-00:15

'Talking 'bout my Revelation'

Our Tikkun Ley'l Shavuot this year is all about what inspires us in Judaism. We will be joining together with Kol Chai Reform Synagogue in Hatch End for this online evening. Shavuot celebrates the giving of Torah, our revelatory guide to everything! On this evening we invite you to share with our Rabbis what inspires you in Judaism.

We will be interviewing Jewish educators and people from all walks of life so that we can build a picture of how Torah is effective today. If you would like to share what makes you Jewishly tick then please email [rabbi.mark@ehrs.uk](mailto:rabbi.mark@ehrs.uk) so that we can share it. You can join us for all 4 sessions or just one or two, depending on your choice of bedtime!

Sessions will run: 20:30-21:15, 21:15-22:00, 22:15-23:00, and 23:15-00:15 with breaks to get a coffee and piece of cheesecake to keep you going!

Full details in the EHRS Our Week Ahead emails with Zoom details closer to the time

## Sunday 5 June

Tikkun Ley'l Shavuot - Through the Night 00:45-05:30 (Yes really!) at Kol Chai Reform Synagogue 434 Uxbridge Rd, Pinner HA5 4RG. EHRS and Kol Chai join together for the extraordinary early hours tradition of through the night Tikkun – music, Jewish study and discussion, art and more with Rabbi Mark and Rabbi Naomi Goldman, ending with an outdoor Shacharit (Shavuot morning service) as the sun rises.

### Service from our Sanctuary, 10:30

Our service includes the reading of the Ten Commandments and all the ingredients of a regular Shavuot. Led by our Rabbis, Cantor and Choir.

### Shavuot Street Party, 11:00-12:30

Our Shavuot experience for families will be give you the chance to climb Mount Sinai, enjoy the Shavuot foods (ice-cream and cheesecake) and visit the stalls which will get you into the spirit of Shavuot and also celebrating Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's Jubilee. Did you know that the whole idea of the jubilee comes straight from our Torah? It's a street party taking place in the streets around Mount Sinai at EHRS!





# EHRS Shavuot Street Party!

Come and celebrate Shavuot & the Queens Jubilee with us!

**Sunday 5 June 11:00-12:30**

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## Jewish Status at EHRS - Study session

**Sunday 1 May, 11:30-12:30**

Should we welcome all those with one Jewish parent who wish to be a part of their Jewish heritage whether that parent is their mother or father? How did Judaism come to follow a matrilineal principle and why didn't they in Torah? How are Jewish status decisions taken in the 21st Century? What is the difference between inherited status and conversion? Join Rabbi Mark to study the issues, as we are in the process of deciding as a community how and whether to take the next steps on our journey of inclusion and welcome. This is a repeat of the study session 'A Time to Plant' which was held in March 2022. Best experienced in person at EHRS, but will also be viewable online. Please email [junelewis@ehrs.uk](mailto:junelewis@ehrs.uk) for Zoom details. No need to book for in person attendance.

## Jewish Status at EHRS - Community Forum

**Sunday 15 May, 10:00-11:00**

Should we welcome all those with one Jewish parent who wish to be a part of their Jewish heritage whether that parent is their mother or father? This EHRS Community Forum is for every member of the Synagogue who would like to participate in the debate. The question is whether EHRS should or should not join the majority of UK Reform Synagogues in making it possible for the child of a Jewish father, whose mother is not Jewish, to be granted Jewish Status by our Beit Din by virtue of their Jewish upbringing, without requiring conversion to Judaism.

EHRS currently welcomes the conversion of the child of a Jewish father as an infant or later in life. This forum follows 2 study sessions, in March and May and a shiur in January on the issue, led by our Rabbis. The forum will help to guide the EHRS Council in taking their decision on the issue.



## TOGETHER GROUPS

Whether it's reading, singing, foraging, cooking, schmoozing, learning or even whiskey tasting, we have many groups where you can join other members with common interests.

**EHRS Together Groups** are all about making our congregation of over 3000 people a place where we know each other and are can find people who share their interests. It's a great way of making sure that more and more of our members find the people within the Synagogue that we would especially enjoy getting to know. Some groups are in person, whilst others continue online.

Go to [www.ehrs.uk/togethergroups](http://www.ehrs.uk/togethergroups) for more information on what groups we have and how to book your place. A selection of these groups are listed below.

### MONTHLY COOK-A-LONGS

Our Cook-a-Long's led by Rabbi Debbie are open to all adults. We have recently enjoyed making salmon & vegetable miso soup, and vegan & parev desserts including non-dairy cookies.

**Wednesday 25 May - Knishes!** Gayle Bromberg will be teaching us all this delicious Ashkenazi dish, famously beloved of New Yorkers!

**Wednesday 22 June - A classic of Anglo-Jewish life - fishballs!** You can also make gefilte fish in this session but Rabbi Debbie won't be! Come and learn how easy and delicious fresh homemade fishballs are! Perfect for a summer picnic or a Shabbat starter! Credit and thanks for Rabbi Debbie's fishball recipe must go to her Mother in Law and EHRS member, Estelle Somers.

### ISRAELI DANCING

Our Israeli Dance Class takes place on **Mondays 11:00-12:30** at EHRS. This class is for all adults and runs weekly. A warm welcome to all who want to join us for this energetic and fun morning.

### SINGING CIRCLE

The Singing Circle is an opportunity for anyone who doesn't have perfect pitch to sing a medley of EHRS favourites and learn some new Hebrew songs. Join Lawrence Cohen, your

song leader, at EHRS for an hour of joyous harmonies. This group runs weekly on **Mondays, 14:00-15:00**.

### FORAGING GROUP

**Sunday 1 May, 13:30-15:30 at Stanmore Common (subject to change!)**

Join Peter Bradley and Rabbi Debbie for our second Shmitta foraging adventure. No previous experience necessary, we will discover what late spring treats can be found locally, and Peter is a fantastic resource for recipes and tips!

### RABBI KRAFT MEMORIAL BOOK CLUB

This book club was set up in memory of our dearly missed Rabbi Neil Kraft z"l. This is a small, friendly group of EHRS members of all ages who meet on the first Tuesday of each month online via Zoom.

**Tuesday 3 May, 19:30 -**

**'The Dictionary of Lost Words' by Pip Williams.**

Sometimes you have to start with what's lost to truly find yourself. Motherless and irrepressibly curious, Esme spends her childhood at her father's feet as he and his team gather words for the very first Oxford English Dictionary. One day, she sees a slip of paper containing a forgotten word flutter to the floor unclaimed. And so, Esme begins to collect words for another dictionary in secret: *The Dictionary of Lost Words*. But to do so she must journey into a world on the cusp of change as the Great War looms and women fight for the vote. Can the power of lost words from the past finally help her make sense of her future?

**Tuesday 7 June, 19:30 -**

**'The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot' by Marianne Cronin.**

Life is short. No-one knows that better than seventeen-year-old Lenni. But as she is about to learn, it's not only what you make of life that matters, but who you share it with. Dodging doctor's orders, she joins an art class where she bumps into fellow patient Margot, a rebel-hearted eight-three-year-old from the next ward. Their bond is instant as they realize that together they

have lived an astonishing one hundred years. To celebrate their shared century, they decide to paint their life stories: of growing old and staying young, of giving joy, of receiving kindness, of losing love, of finding the person who is everything. As their friendship deepens, it becomes vividly clear that life is not done with Lenni and Margot yet.

### OTHER TOGETHER GROUP OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH EHRS ARE:

Bereavement, Bumps, Babies & Coffee, Coffee & Chat, Let's Talk – An EHRS Mental Health Initiative, Rambling, Rosh Chodesh, Schmoozing with the Rabbis, Talmud Class, and Whiskey Tasting. Register at [www.ehrs.uk/togethergroups](http://www.ehrs.uk/togethergroups), or contact any of the Rabbis for help to start your own group.

## EHRS GROUPS

### NEW OPTIONS


**For the active retired and semi-retired (60 plus)**

**Schmoozing with the Rabbis –**

A light hearted topical discussion, in an informal setting. Join **Rabbi Mark on Wednesday 4 May** and **Rabbi Mati on Wednesday 8 June, 10:30-11:30**. In person at the Synagogue or on Zoom. Zoom details will be provided in the Our Week Ahead email.

**Bridge –**

Our popular and friendly sessions take place every **Wednesday, 12:30-15:30**. Join us for an enjoyable and sociable afternoon. Only £4 including tea.



**Neurobics Brain & Body Fitness** is a preventative treatment programme which supports people to "Challenge the Body, Stimulate the Brain & Lift the Heart."

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**Neurobics will take place at EHRS, starting April 21 2022.**

**Cost for workshops: £5 for members or £7.50 for non-members.**

Please contact Steve Wax if you would like more information, or would like to attend. New members are always welcome.

Please note: the 'Zoom' workshops on Mondays mornings will continue online.

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## OTHER ACTIVITIES AT EHRS

### JACS (JEWISH ASSOCIATION OF CULTURAL SOCIETIES)

JACS takes place at EHRS on Thursdays, 13:30.

- 5 May:** David Goodman – The Changing Face of Israel
- 12 May:** AGM – Please Attend
- 19 May:** Tamara Rabin – Emma Hamilton
- 26 May:** Fab Boys – Brian and Frank Live Music
- 9 June:** Jane Rosenberg – A Musical Pourri
- 16 June:** Martin Robinson – Frauds and Scams: How to Avoid Being a Victim
- 23 June:** William Smith – Singer of Songs from the 50's and 60's
- 30 June:** Sid Austin – An Afternoon of Lively Songs

For more information please contact Stuart Winton on 020 8954 8350 or David Kalms on 07831 220269.

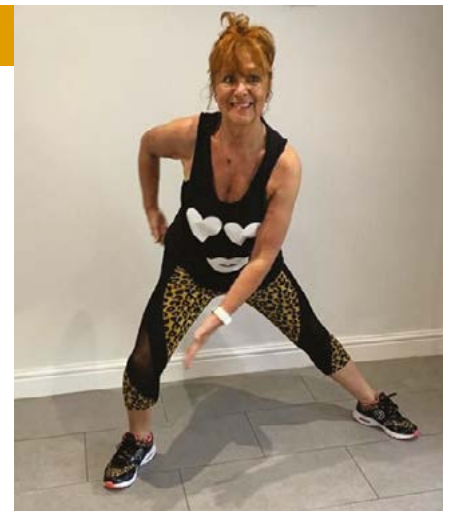
### ZUMBA GOLD

**Thursdays 10:00-11:00**

This class is perfect for the active older adults who are looking for a modified Zumba class that recreates the original moves you love at a lower intensity.

£6 per session.

For more information please contact Laurel Ingram at [dancinline@hotmail.com](mailto:dancinline@hotmail.com)



## \*SAVE THE DATE\*

**Oud and Food - The Music and Nourishment of our Sephardi and Mizrahi Heritage**

**Sunday 10 July, 18:00-20:00**

£5 for EHRS members, £7 for non-members, £15 family ticket

Join us at EHRS for a special summer evening celebrating the music and food of Sephardi and Mizrahi Jews. Rabbi Mark will trace the story of Jews in Spain, Portugal, North Africa and the Middle East. Enjoy the cuisine of our members from these heritages and the music that moved them.

**Book your ticket at [www.ehrs.uk/event/oudandfood](http://www.ehrs.uk/event/oudandfood)**



**OROT:** We had another half term of vibrant teaching, learning and fun at Orot. One of the highlights was the joint Purim celebration for Orot and Young Families, which was great fun and saw a huge turnout of families. Our fabulous Orot teaching staff were good sports putting on the Purim spiel based loosely on the Lion King theme. Jack Dannell our Shemesh Hebrew teacher made a very convincing, menacing Scar.

We finished our term by participating in the sponsored Walk for Ukraine, which saw over 40 people participating. Thank you to everyone who participated; we estimate that EHRS has raised £3,000 or more for the two charities we are supporting. Our new term begins on **Sunday 24 April, 9:45-12:30**. We have some lovely joint events planned with Young Families and Youth. One of them will be a special Shavuot and Queen's Jubilee celebration on **Sunday 5 June** where we will have a huge climb Mount Sinai inflatable.

Our term finished with the B'nei Mitzvah students competently leading the Friday night service for the community. Many of the families joined the rabbis and teachers for a wonderful dinner afterwards. Our new term begins on **Friday 29 April**.

One of the highlights for next term is our first ever B'nei Mitzvah Mega Shabbaton residential weekend at Phasels Wood



Scout Camp from **Friday 13 May** through to **Sunday 15 May**.

**ATJ:** Our All Things Jewish group have put on some fantastic events.

The Stonegrove Serenade monthly concerts organised by Anna Flash are a huge success. The musicians, who have all been outstanding, love the acoustics in the Beit Tefillah and tell us that they make their instruments sound sweet.

Café 118 catered by Truly Scrumptious is proving to be a very popular place to eat, meet and socialise before and after the concerts. We were able to once again hold a lovely evening to celebrate some very special EHRS members at The EHRS Heroes Awards, who have all made their

indelible mark on the wider community. It so wonderful to hear about some of the amazing things that members of EHRS accomplish outside of EHRS. We held another very successful interview with author Heather Morris who spoke about her latest book, Three Sisters. We have copies of all Heather's books in The Lounge at EHRS that can be borrowed. A very entertaining Who Jew You Think You Are event with the wonderful Rabbi Katz is available on EHRS You Tube as is the Heather Morris interview.

Look out for an email invitation to your child in the month of their birthday to come to shul to receive a blessing, a sticker and some birthday cake, and join Shabbat Club for a lovely hour of Shabbat activities.

**Marian Cohen**, Director of Education  
[education@ehrs.uk](mailto:education@ehrs.uk)/020 8238 1014

Our **Intermediate Conversational Hebrew** class meets on Tuesday mornings on Zoom from 10:00-12:00. You should be able to read basic Hebrew, and in script would also be helpful. This class is free to EHRS members, £40 a term for non members. For further information or to sign up please contact [education@ehrs.uk](mailto:education@ehrs.uk)

## Please find below a summary of the recent events from the Board of Deputies:

- Herts Jewish Forum met with the Leader of Hertsmere Council, and discussed matters of Cohesion, Recovery and Housing Development. The Board, with London Jewish Forum (LJF), Jewish Care, JAMI and the Borough of Barnet, continue to work on a Bereavement Signposting Guide.
- The Board joined a meeting of the Metropolitan Police London Jewish Forum to discuss topics including an update on progress on the Metropolitan Police Rebuilding Trust Plan; a briefing on current approaches to tackling hate crime and a briefing from the CPS on identifying, flagging and prosecuting antisemitism. The Board met senior staff at Unison and GMB to discuss confronting antisemitism.
- LJF with the Board and JLC are planning in-person hustings in Barnet (Edgware United, JCoSS, FRS and Ner Yisrael), in Enfield (CNSS), in Haringey (MHS), in Camden (JW3). In the run up to local elections in May, LJF have been meeting and briefing new Jewish council candidates including in Harrow, Hackney, Merton, Waltham Forest, Camden and Barnet. There are many new Jewish candidates standing.
- The Board met the Vice Chancellor at Sheffield Hallam University to discuss issues relating to a member of the faculty and concerns of antisemitism on campus that are affecting the well-being and safety of Jewish students and staff.
- The Board met Austrian Ambassador Michael Zimmermann. They spoke about Austria's continued commitment to fighting antisemitism, advocating for fair treatment of Israel and the ongoing crisis in Ukraine. In Budapest the Board held a series of meetings, including with our Hungarian sister community, Mazsihisz, The Federation of Hungarian Jewish Communities, the Director of the Budapest JCC and colleagues from the World Jewish Congress Budapest office. Amongst topics discussed was the relationship between the communities, best practice for combatting antisemitism and the rejuvenation of Jewish life in Hungary.

If you would like any further information about any of these events, please contact Tony Seymour, [tonyms51@gmail.com](mailto:tonyms51@gmail.com)





Details of all our volunteering opportunities are on the EHRS website at [www.ehrs.uk/socialaction](http://www.ehrs.uk/socialaction)

### OUR NIGHT SHELTER WON AN AWARD!

EHRS volunteers have been supporting Barnet's only night shelter for the homeless for many years. Together in Barnet (TiB) won the interfaith relations award at the inaugural Barnet Faith & Belief awards ceremony on Wednesday 26 January! TiB were also shortlisted for the Outstanding Initiative in Response to Covid 19 Pandemic Award. You can watch the awards ceremony here [www.youtube.com/watch?v=qBE\\_1jrgYR4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qBE_1jrgYR4) from 28mins 45seconds in.



### BIG BARNET SLEEPOUT

More than 29 people slept 'out' on Saturday 26 March including our very own Rabbi Mark Goldsmith and TiB trustee Lisa Bard. We were supported by EHRS who provided the Sleepout venue which was our car park, and the EHRS community who sponsored us. The 29 groups of Sleep Outers, some were family groups who slept in their garden, raised over £18,000 plus Gift Aid. A commendable amount that will be split between Homeless Action Barnet and Together in Barnet and will make a difference to people experiencing homelessness this coming winter.

### HOTEL PROJECT COMPLETED

TTiB's winter hotel project opened on 18 October 2021 and closed on 31 March 2022. This winter we house 30 people who had been experiencing homelessness of whom 29 were moved on to more stable accommodation and 1 left the shelter of their own accord.

Many Thanks for your support, Lisa Bard, [lisa.bard@ehrs.uk](mailto:lisa.bard@ehrs.uk)

### CAN YOUR BUSINESS OFFER AN INTERNSHIP?

Around the corner from EHRS, students from The London Academy, [www.londonacademy.org.uk](http://www.londonacademy.org.uk), are being supported by social mobility charity Career Ready, [www.careerready.org.uk](http://www.careerready.org.uk), on their journey into the world of work. As part of that journey, Career Ready would like to offer all students internships during the summer between Year 12 and Year 13. A four-week paid internship allows students to apply their learning in a workplace, make a real contribution to your work, and gain experience and skills that will prove invaluable to them in whatever career they go on to.

Many students describe their internship as a turning point and the experience often acts as a real incentive and motivates them to work harder in their academic studies. In return, you get access to a pool of young, talented, ambitious people from the local area who can give a fresh perspective on your business. These students have been through a competitive selection process to gain a place on the programme and are highly motivated – they could be excellent future recruits for you and 80% of employers who work with Career Ready state that they would employ one of their students in the future.

If you are interested in how a student from The London Academy can add value to your business then please contact Lisa Bard.

### HELP REFUGEE CHILDREN ON SUNDAYS

Do you have a couple of hours to spare on Sundays between the hours of 10:00 and 14:00? Why not use that time to help children who have not been so lucky,

who had to flee their homeland and arrived in the UK on their own. The Separated Child Foundation, [www.separatedchild.org](http://www.separatedchild.org), needs you to compile Arrival Packs and Sleep Packs which we send out to unaccompanied child refugees up and down the country via charities and social services.

We need you to join us in a self-storage unit at Staples Corner for a couple of hours on a Sunday to put new clothing and toiletries into a 'hug in a bag' for the children who arrive here on their own with so, so little. Contact Lisa Bard, [lisa.bard@ehrs.uk](mailto:lisa.bard@ehrs.uk) for more information.

### EDGWARE AND STANMORE ROTARY CLUB

**Ukraine** - We have supported a family clinic near Chernobyl for many years supplying vital medical supplies and equipment. People from Chernobyl are being evacuated to Moldova where Rotary's resources are concentrated. We will be holding a fund-raising fete one Sunday afternoon in May with Ukrainian food and jewellery sale, date to be confirmed, local venue in Stanmore.  
**Food Programme** – We urgently need more volunteers to support our club's foodbank and feeding programme for some of the most vulnerable in the local community.

For more information about all things Rotary please contact [peterbradley4450@gmail.com](mailto:peterbradley4450@gmail.com)

**Peter Bradley**, President of Edgware and Stanmore Rotary Club





We have been very busy over the last months. We had a wonderful time at the Purim party with Orot and young families where we did loads of cool activities such as making ice cream, zoetrope's and building Lego towers. We also gave a beautiful spiel that was just so professional and well performed (not!!). We also had our Megillah reading, where we had a night out at the movies. It was great to see so many people there.

Pesach Play Scheme has been and gone, and we had a lovely time. We had a junk percussion workshop, where we used the cardboard boxes and other junk that we collected from around the office and used them to create some really cool music. Streetwise visited with some

of their sports leaders and led us in an afternoon of games and sports. The children loved creating their own Banksy masterpieces, when our graffiti workshop taught us all about the art form of graffiti. We had the best time. Pesach Play Scheme was such as joy, the children and young people had so much fun, and our madrichim put on some beautiful activities, showing how much time and effort that they had put in preparing it all.

We have also been running our hadracha course and the cohort have been learning all about what makes a great leader, the do's and don'ts of leadership, confidence building, and games. Everyone has developed lots of different skills and are

doing very well. In September we will be starting up our next cohort for those who are post bar/bat mitzvah.

We are excited about our 3 week Kaytana & Kadima Summer Scheme starting on 1 August. We are busy planning trips for Wednesdays, workshops for Fantastic Fridays, as well as some new ideas and programmes for everyone to enjoy. We are also looking for host families for 2 Israeli Madrichim from the Leo Beack Centre in Israel, who will be working at Kaytana & Kadima from the 5-14 August. Please contact Jack if you are able to help.

**Jack Murphy,**

Head of Youth Development,  
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**For more information visit our website [www.ehrs.uk/nagila-pre-school](http://www.ehrs.uk/nagila-pre-school) or email [nagila@ehrs.uk](mailto:nagila@ehrs.uk).**

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## YOUNG ADULTS

### Beer and Shiur, 20:00

Zoom details are: Meeting ID: 839 2128 5866 Password: 978112

**Wednesday 11 May:** Watch this space and to receive direct updates please email [rabbi.debbie@ehrs.uk](mailto:rabbi.debbie@ehrs.uk)

**Wednesday 8 June: All is Revealed!** Having just celebrated Shavuot, we will be exploring different Jewish understandings of revelation, and how in some ways this lies at the heart of denominational divisions.

### \*YOUNG ADULTS FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER\*

**Friday 20 May, 19:30** - Back with a Bang! Our first Young Adults Friday Night Dinner since lock down, 18-35's are warmly invited to join us for a catered Friday night dinner, an informal social and a chance to tell us what you'd like to be doing at EHRS!

Please go to [www.ehrs.uk/youngadults](http://www.ehrs.uk/youngadults) to book. Dinner will be subsidised so we are able to charge a bargain £5! But if the cost stops you coming please speak in confidence to Rabbi Debbie.

## Environmental Action Team (EAT)

## ECO SYNAGOGUE

EHRS is actively participating in the EcoSynagogue initiative designed to provide a practical and simple road map towards a net zero carbon future. Using the EcoSynagogue Environmental Audit to assess how we are doing, we are currently working towards a Bronze EcoSynagogue award.

Environmental Action Team Members Julie Tucker and Daniel Mitchell have put together an environmental policy which our Council has formally adopted. The policy document covers all aspects of EHRS life and sets out how we plan to become a sustainable, environmentally responsible and energy efficient community.

Many of the improvements we have made have been going on behind the scenes, but some are more tangible and visitors to the schul may have noticed our new recycling bins. By the time the EcoSynagogue awards are given out in May we are confident that EHRS will have attained a Bronze standard.

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**Rosh Chodesh, 20:00** Rabbi Debbie welcomes everyone who would like to learn at this monthly group. To register to stay updated on our monthly meetings please do so at [www.ehrs.uk/togethergroups](http://www.ehrs.uk/togethergroups). You can join us in person or on Zoom, though there will usually be an interactive element in the second half that will be enhanced by being present if you are able. Zoom details in Our Week Ahead.

**Thursday 5 May: Iyyar** - Moses Isserles, who is regarded as the definitive Halachic authority for Ashkenazi Jews, died during Iyyar in 1573, as did Isaac Alfasi, a leading rabbi from the Maghreb. So this month we will be exploring some of the classic ways Sephardi, Mizrahi and Ashkenazi rituals and customs differ, from blessing our daughters to Kitniot, and the hours between meat and milk!  
**Rosh Chodesh Sivan falls at the end of May/Start of June – there will be no Rosh Chodesh meeting but please join us for Tikkun Leyl Shavuot, on the evening of Saturday 4 June.**

## First Shabbat Shiur, 9:15-10:15

Our First Shabbat Shiurim are on all kinds of areas of Jewish life. You can join us in person at the Synagogue or at home using Zoom.

**Saturday 7 May - Chaim Weizmann** - Zionist, chemist and the first President of Israel. How and why was the Balfour Declaration signed? We are delighted to be joined by **Jonathan Bergwerk** for this Month's Shiur, in honour of Yom Ha'Atzmaut. Jonathan is an occupational psychologist, who has developed the 'Audacious Jewish Lives' series, outlining an individual's life, their contribution to society and their impact on Jewish life.

## What Makes Me Angry?

**EHRs Launch of Rabbi Jonathan Romain's new book**

**Thursday 26 May, 20:00-21:30**

Far from being meek and mild, Reform rabbis can get very angry. 21 of them including Rabbi Debbie and Rabbi Mark have written short essays about what provokes their ire and they have been collected in a book edited by Rabbi Dr Jonathan Romain and published by Reform Judaism. The subjects cover major fault-lines in society or the injustice we inflict on others, be it online abuse, climate change, Israel, social exclusion, cruelty to animals, antisemitism, the invisibility of women, business ethics, the integration of converts to Judaism, the wellness industry, and arguing intemperately. It also asks what makes God angry, as well as reflecting on anger itself and when it can be helpful or unhelpful, productive or narcissistic. Our Rabbis join Rabbi Romain to introduce you to the book, with copies available if you would like to take one home (at £9.99, discounted to £7.99 if purchased on the night)



## The Rabbi Leigh z"l Memorial Lecture 2022/5782

**Can You Say 'Human Rights' in Jewish? With Rabbi Michael Marmor Thursday 19 May, 20:00 - 21:30**

Every year EHRs jointly hosts a lecture together with the Yitzchak Rabin B'nai Brith Lodge on the Yartzheit of our former Rabbi from 1963-1993, Michael Leigh z"l.

Jews have long been involved in declarations, conventions & organisations promoting human rights. But is it Jewish? Does Judaism in its various expressions speak of rights, or emphasise responsibilities? And what about Israel? Are human rights defended from within a Jewish framework, or outside it? Rabbi Michael Marmor is Associate Professor of Jewish Theology at the Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem, having previously served as Dean in Jerusalem and Provost of the College-Institute. He serves as Chair of the Board for Rabbis for Human Rights. He will offer a way of thinking about these questions employing ancient texts and modern thought. Best experienced in person, but will be viewable on Zoom, email [june.lewis@ehrs.uk](mailto:june.lewis@ehrs.uk) for details

## Bite of Torah for everyone interested in Torah, 9:15-10:15

Learn Torah with our Rabbis at home using Zoom or in person. These sessions are full of new insights which bring Torah to life.

**Saturday 21 May**

**Parashat B'Chukotai:** Blessings and Curses. As we end the Book of Leviticus this year we hear about the blessings that we should enjoy if we do what the book says, and the curses if we don't! What are the purposes of these blessings and curses which occur more than once in the Torah, and do they still apply now? Study with Rabbi Mark.

**Saturday 18 June**

**Parashat Sh'lach L'cha:** Be prepared. The scouts in the Torah and Haftarah. Both the Torah and Haftarah are stories of scouting out the Land of Israel so that the Israelites have a good chance of making it into the Promised Land. Join Rabbi Mark to study these scouting adventure stories and the great characters within them.

## Stonegrove Serenade

**Tuesday 17 May, 13:00**

Join us each month for a series of lunchtime concerts featuring up and coming classical musicians.

**Our May concert will feature 'The Delphine Trio'.**

**The Delphine Trio brings together 3 passionate young musicians from opposite ends of the globe: Australian clarinetist Magdalenna Krstevska, Dutch cellist Jobine Siekman & pianist Roelof Temmingh, hailing from South Africa.**

Founded in 2020 at the Royal College of Music, they showcase a combination of individual instrumental talent, intelligent and curious music-making, and a passion for diverse repertoire. They have performed in salon concerts across London, including the RCM Chamber Music Series at the Mosterdzaadje in the Netherlands.

**Concert Programme:** Farrenc Clarinet Trio Op 44 ~ Muczynski Fantasy Trio ~ Brahms Clarinet Trio Op 114, mov. 3 - Andantino grazioso ~ Seiber Introduction & Allegro

Please go to [www.ehrs.uk/atj](http://www.ehrs.uk/atj) to book. Admission Free, suggested Donation £5. We invite you to enjoy refreshments in our pop up cafe before the concert. 'Cafe 118' will be open 12:00, last orders at 12:45. Please note when booking if you will be using the café.

## Talmud Class Sundays 1 & 29 May, 12 June, 10 July, 10:00-11:00

EHRs's stimulating and friendly Talmud class is open to all levels of Jewish knowledge. Join Rabbi Mark to grapple with the ideas of our classical Rabbis. Join the discussion of 2000 years ago and its remarkable relevance to issues today.

No previous Talmud study experience necessary, just a thirst to get deep into the foundational texts of Judaism.

This class is conducted online through Zoom as discussion and argument is what it is all about!

Please email [rabbi.mark@ehrs.uk](mailto:rabbi.mark@ehrs.uk) to get the Zoom details and the Talmud texts we are studying.