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CONTACT US

The normal office operating hours are Monday to Thursday 9:30-17:00, Friday 9:30-15:30, and Sundays 10:00-12:30. You are welcome to call or visit during these times. The office is not staffed on Shabbat and festivals. If you wish to see a specific member of staff, please call in advance to ensure that they are available. The telephone is operated during the normal office hours. You can email to admin@ehrs.uk. Emails and messages will be checked during the normal operating hours.

If you need to advise of a death or arrange a funeral, outside of the normal hours, please call the JJBS directly on 020 8989 5252

Please try to make any payments via the synagogue website at 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

THE RABBIS

Our EHRS Rabbinic Team are always happy to hear from you, please contact their Personal Assistant, June Lewis on 020 8238 1002 or june.lewis@ehrs.uk

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Outside office hours our 24/7 EHRS Emergency Line is **07708 731862**, it will be answered by one of the Rabbinic Team.

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

BIRTHS

Noah Jacob, a son for Mike and Zara Kann, a brother for Benjamin, a grandson for Linda and Ray Kann and Andrea and Michael Kauffeer.

BAR/BAT MITZVAH

5 November - Serena Kaufman, daughter of Judy and Michael.

19 November - Ruby Scott, daughter of Gillian and Rick.

3 December - Joshua Toberman, son of Emma and Paul.

10 December - Ethan Woolf, son of Danielle and Joel.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mazel Tov to Daniel Hodes and Catherine Puddephatt on their engagement.

BIRTHDAYS

Mazel Tov to Michael Conn on his 90th birthday.

Mazel Tov to Gerry Amdor on his 90th birthday.

Mazel Tov to Ruth Morrow on her 80th birthday.

ANNIVERSARIES

Mazel Tov to Roger and Bente Barton on their Golden Wedding Anniversary
Mazel Tov to Beverley and Lewis Green on their Ruby Wedding Anniversary.

CONDOLENCES

To Howard Simons on the loss of his wife, Natalie Simons.

To Linda Franks on the loss of her husband, and Claire Franks on the loss of her father, Alan Franks.

To Irene Rendlick on the loss of her husband, and Joanne Phillips on the loss of her father, Martin Rendlick.

To Emma Roche on the loss of her husband, and Sophie Roche on the loss of her father, Callum Roche.

To Shirley Leveson on the loss of her husband, and Joanna Leveson on the loss of her father, Robert Leveson.

To Rosalind Diamond on the loss of her husband, Alan Diamond.

To Ruth Freeman on the loss of her husband, Michael Freeman.

To Helen Feller on the loss of her husband, and Daniel and Joel Feller on the loss of their father, Anthony Feller.

To Rabbi Mark Goldsmith on the loss of his father, Walter Goldsmith.

To Steven Reece on the loss of his father, Sydney Reece.

To Martin Noar on the loss of his mother, Rita Noar.

To Sharon Franks on the loss of her mother, Sonia Fox.

To Linda Chapman on the loss of her mother, Helen Smith.

To Marilyn Gurner on the loss of her mother, Evelyn Mirelman.

To Barry Finer on the loss of his brother, Ivor Finer.

To Sheila Levitt on the loss of her brother, Dr John Marks.

To the family of Freda Marcus.

To the family of Esther Shoffman.

To the family of Rosalind Joseph.

To the family of Jenny Plato.

To the family of Rosalind Lee.

TOMBSTONE CONSECRATIONS

6 November

14:00 at Cheshunt Cemetery – in memory of Cyril (Max) Baker.

15:00 at Cheshunt Cemetery – in memory of David Lush.

13 November

14:30 at Cheshunt Cemetery – in memory of Malcolm Rapaport.

20 November

13:00 at Edgwarebury Cemetery – in memory of Stuart Freedman.

14:30 at Cheshunt Cemetery – in memory of Anita Rhodes.

11 December

13:45 at Edgwarebury Cemetery – in memory of David Conway.

NEW MEMBERS:

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

Scott Smith
Rosina Ahmet
Leyla Ahmet
Natalie Thake
Michelle and Jesse Robey
Sara Savage

SERVICES



For Service Zoom details please see forthcoming Our Week Ahead emails, or email admin@ehrs.uk

To book for services with in person attendance, please go to the calendar section on the EHRS website, www.ehrs.uk, and select the date and service you wish to attend. 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.

Kuddle Up Shabbat

Friday 18 November, 16:15-16:45

Join our Rabbis and the Shabbat Dinosaur at EHRS for stories and songs to welcome Shabbat. Best for younger children. You can come from 15:45 for a play date at shul!

Kuddle Up Chanukah

Friday 23 December, 16:15-16:45

Come and join our Rabbis to light the Synagogue Chanukiah and to share the light of Chanukah with our Shabbat Dinosaur! Especially for our youngest children and their parents and carers. You are welcome to arrive and play from 15:45.

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.

Shabbat Service to celebrate three decades of the 3rd Edgware Brownies

Saturday 26 November, 10:30

Were you a Brownie in the 3rd Edgware unit at any time in its history?

The Brownies has recently closed at EHRS

after an excellent run of many years under the leadership of Marilyn Albert and many other dedicated women. Come and join Marilyn and your fellow Brownies past and recent as we celebrate all that they achieved - from gleaming High Holy Days silverware to greatly appreciated social service.

We would love to involve you in the service if you can let june.lewis@ehrs.uk know that you are coming or phone 020 8238 1000.

Friday Night Lights

Friday 4 November, 20:00-20:45

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

Cat Mitzvah

Saturday 5 November, 11:00-11:45

Following the success of our annual Bark Mitzvah services where we celebrate the role of our dogs in our lives as loyal companions, it's the turn of the Cat lovers. Whilst our Bark Mitzvah could take place in the Synagogue courtyard, our cats would not take kindly to coming in 'person' to shul. So Rabbi Mark invites you to join him with your feline friends on Zoom for this special service of celebration (for as long as they are willing to be where you want them to be!), including a reading of the Torah portion from the point of view of a cat!

Early Risers Service

Saturdays 12 November & 10 December, 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 12 November & 10 December, 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 our Rabbis. If you play an instrument and would like to be part of the band let Rabbi Mark know at rabbi.mark@ehrs.uk so he can invite you in.

Remembrance Shabbat Service and Eco Shabbat

Saturday 12 November, 10:30

Our classical service on this Shabbat will include our act of remembrance for those who lost their lives in the wars that Britain has had to fight over the past century, together with recognising the role in our national life of those who currently serve our nation.

The Kiddush on this morning will highlight the environmental challenge of our future and our responsibility to preserve the earth. On Sunday morning 13 November at 10:30 we will gather at the Edgware War Memorial for our annual interfaith act of remembrance culminating at 11:00 with the two minute silence.

HaKol B'Seder Service

Saturday 19 November, 10:30-12:15

Join Student Cantor Rachel Weston and Rabbi Mark 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 or on Zoom.

Shabbat Club and Birthday Blessings

Saturdays 26 November & 24 December, 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 for the Soul

Saturday 3 December, 10:30-12:00

As Jacob undertakes his journey to Haran, what is the journey our service takes us on each Shabbat?

This creative service will be a chance to reflect and learn together, in person and on Zoom. Led by Rabbi Debbie.

Healing Service

Saturday 17 December, 11:00-12:00

Join Rabbi Debbie for a gentle service of reflection and prayer for healing, for ourselves or for others. In person and on Zoom.

Sunday Shacharit 09:30-10:00

Join our weekly Sunday Shacharit in the EHRS Beit Midrash.

On Tuesday, 11 October, Westminster Abbey, in partnership with the National Memorial Arboretum (NMA), held a Service of Remembrance at which saplings were blessed which will form part of a new Memorial Woodland at the NMA in Staffordshire to be a living memorial dedicated to honour everyone who served and died in the COVID-19 pandemic. The saplings were blessed by representatives of all major faiths, including Rabbi Mark for Reform Judaism, who invited Susannah Kraft, Sue Casale and Val Joseph to attend the Service as his guests.



We all felt honoured to be in such a distinguished setting for this beautiful and memorable Service and wish to thank Rabbi Mark for inviting us. See photo below of Susannah, Sue and Val outside the Abbey.

MITZVAH DAY TEA!

Sunday 20 November, 15:00-17:00

Join us to do the Mitzvah of Hachnasat Orchim (welcoming the guest) - We are very excited to announce the return of the EHRS Mitzvah Day Tea Party after the success of last year. This is for members of all ages and families and we hope that you will join us for afternoon tea and entertainment including live music. Pre booking is required.

Please go to www.ehrs.uk/event/mitzvahday2022

Coffee & Chat, our fortnightly coffee mornings, continue from 10:00-11:30 on the second and fourth Wednesdays monthly. These sociable mornings are organised and run by Shirley Lever and are for people on their own who would like to meet others in the same situation. Coffee mornings will be held on **12 & 26 October, 9 & 23 November, 7 & 21 December**. Please contact Shirley to book and for more information on 020 8958 8220.

The EHRS **Memory Way Café** provides support for people living with dementia and their family carers and is open to members and non members. We meet on the third Wednesday afternoon monthly and if you are interested for your partner or a relative and would like more information, please contact either Val or Marissa. If you would like to discuss any concerns please contact us.



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

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Val and Marissa provide support to members of all ages and their families. We offer practical and emotional support, advice and advocacy where appropriate and often work in partnership with other organisations and have developed strong community networks. If you would like to speak to us in confidence please see our contact details below.

Val Joseph 020 8238 1013,
Marissa Rosenthal 020 8238 1015
community@ehrs.uk



Val Joseph

Let's Talk - Assisted Dying

Wednesday
30 November,
20:00

Join a panel of Rabbis, Medical Professionals and members with lived experience to talk together about

Assisted Dying. Rabbis Jonathan Romain and Jackie Tabick, Dr Rami Eliad and Peter Davis join Rabbi Debbie to explore different approaches to this emotive topic.

There will be time for questions, and a variety of approaches will be explored. Only on Zoom. Details will be in the Our Week Ahead email or call 020 8238 1000.



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 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 for more details.



EHRS FEST 2022

Sunday 16 October 2022 saw EHRS open it's doors for the eagerly anticipated EHRS Fest, showcasing all EHRS has to offer.

Here are a few highlights.



"Sunday was such a good idea, a real showcase of what the Shul has to offer. We really do feel a part of the community and only wish we had joined sooner."



"I brought two little girls I was babysitting for the weekend and they enjoyed themselves immensely. We came home with candles, sauerkraut and tattoos!"



"I didn't know what to expect but I was pleasantly surprised. I was looking to widen my social activities and have come away with some interesting things. I just want to say thank you."



A taste of
what our
community
has
to offer

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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 for more information on what groups we have and how to book your place.** A selection of these groups are listed below.

MONTHLY COOKALONGS

Our Cookalong's led by Rabbi Debbie are open to all adults. We have recently enjoyed a fabulous in person cookalong making



honey cakes for our Rosh Hashanah community Kiddush, and an online session with Bonnie Bakes creating delicious pastry and fillings for our homemade sausage rolls. When on Zoom, details will be provided via OWA.

Wednesday 23 November, 20:00

Next Year's Etrog Vodka! Giving the vodka time to mature before sukkot next year, we will be cooking together at the shul and remembering Rabbi Kraft z'l as we recreate his much loved Etrog Vodka for the shul stocks (and home if there's enough!) Please register to join us in person by emailing Rabbi Debbie at rabbi.debbie@ehrs.uk.

Our cookalongs will take a break in December, but will return in 2023 on **Wednesday 25 January with a Zoom Cookalong in honour of Tu B'Shevat!**

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 – ***SAVE THE DATE***

Join us in 2023 on Sunday 5 March, 14:00-16:00 and Sunday 7 May, 14:00-16:00.

Find what food the local area offers us for free, and learn how to use them from Vegan Honey to Ketchup, Salad to Soup! More details coming soon!

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.

Tuesday 1 November, 19:30 at EHRs - 'The Ocean Liner' by Marius Gabriel.

Tuesday 6 December, 19:30 at EHRs - 'A Gentleman In Moscow' by Amor Towles.

THE SHAKING SIXTIES

Thursdays 10 November & 8 December, 20:00-21:30

If you lived through the 1960s or just love 60s music, then this group is for you! From Cliff Richard, Elvis Presley, Roy Orbison, Neil Sedaka, Marty Wilde, Billy Fury, The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, and The Supremes, to great singers such as Matt Monroe, Dusty Springfield, Tom Jones, Scott Walker, together with many other memorable groups and singers from that era. We look forward to welcoming you each month with videos and songs on very informal basis, where we will play many of your favourites!

YIDDISH GROUP

Do you speak Yiddish? We are gauging interest for a Yiddish redendike Together Group. We're not entirely sure what form this would take just yet, but it's likely to be a conversation group for us to shmues af mame-loshn. Please register your interest with on the Together Groups page of the EHRs website.

TV ADDICTS CLUB

Do you enjoy documentaries, TV shows, and films? Do you like films but not the cinema? Our EHRs Together Group, The TV Addicts Club, meets fortnightly on a Thursday evening, to enjoy brand new and old classics of TV and film. Come along and meet people with the same enthusiasm, safe and comfortable, and relax in front of the box with delicious treats to enjoy whilst we watch. Throughout this past Summer we enjoyed watching: The Help, Death on the Nile, Butch Cassidy and The Sundance Kid, David Attenborough's Our Planet, 1917, West Side Story (2021), Elvis (2022), and Fiddler on the Roof.

The TV Addicts Club will return on **Thursday 12 January 2023** with our 'Based on a True Story' series of films. Please go to www.ehrs.uk/togethergroups to register your interest to join this group.

Calling all do-ers and give-it-a-go-ers.

Ready to try something new?

#SkillsForLife

Yes, we go camping, hiking, swimming, abseiling, cycling and canoeing. But we also get to hang out with our friends every week – having fun, playing games, working in a team and taking on new challenges.

Who
All young people aged 6 to 14 years old

When
Thursdays 5:45pm-6:45pm (ages 6-8)

Thursdays 6:45pm-8pm (ages 8-10½)

Tuesdays 7pm-8:30pm (ages 10½-14)

What
Outdoor adventures and skills for life

Where
Edgware & Hendon Reform Synagogue and the great outdoors

Contact
info@third.org.uk



EHRs Goes To Limmud for a Day

Tuesday 27 December

leaving EHRs at 8:00 and returning at 22:00

Have you thought of going to Limmud, the fantastic Anglo Jewish learning phenomenon, but not sure if you would enjoy it?

Join Rabbi Mark, a Limmud fan, to attend one day of this remarkable four day event at Birmingham NEC. You will learn from any of more than 60 presenters on the day with sessions on all aspects of Jewish tradition, culture, arts, politics, community issues, Israel and more.

Rabbi Mark has programmes from previous years available for you to browse.

Please email rabbi.mark@erhs.uk or call 0208 238 1000 by Thursday 1 December if you would like to go, and he will let you have all the details to be able to book for the day. The cost for the will be around £130 which includes transport from and back from EHRs and meals. If you are not able to afford this then please do ask Rabbi Mark about a subsidy from the EHRs Jewish Participation Fund which we would be delighted to help you with.

EHRs GROUPS

NEW OPTIONS

For the active retired and semi-retired (60+)

Schmoozing with the Rabbis –

A light hearted topical discussion, in an informal setting. Join **Rabbi Tanya Sakhnovich** on **Thursday 10 November** and **Rabbi Mark Goldsmith** on **Wednesday 21 December, 10.30-11.30**. In person only, at the Synagogue.

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.

NOT THE WOMENS GUILD

Meetings begin at 14:00 in the Synagogue unless otherwise stated, and a warm welcome is extended to all. For further details and to book your place, please contact **Evie 020 8954 5393, ewoolstone@yahoo.com** or **Sandra 020 8958 7140 sandra@harrisresidence.co.uk**. We look forward to seeing you.

Wednesday 16 November

We are delighted to welcome Rabbi Debbie Young-Somers, who will be telling us about her career path to the Rabbinate, and other related matters. This will be a good opportunity to meet Rabbi Debbie in person, if you haven't already done so.

Thursday 22 December

We are holding our Chanukah social on this day, which is always a popular event. Put the date in your diary to come and join us for an afternoon of fun and doughnuts! Everyone is welcome.

OTHER ACTIVITIES AT EHRs

JACS (JEWISH ASSOCIATION OF CULTURAL SOCIETIES)

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

- 3 November:** Roy Blass – Secrets behind the Legends of Las Vegas
- 10 November:** Pamela Gold – People not Products, my 21 years at Marks & Spencer
- 17 November:** Lawrence Hillier – Swing Vocalist
- 24 November:** Gayathrie and Bill – Songs and Arias from Opera
- 8 December:** Robert Stephenson – London's Traditional Customs and Ceremonies
- 15 December:** Paul Cavendish – The Magic of Chanukah

For more information please contact **Stuart Winton** on **020 8954 8350** or **Brian Ashton 020 8958 4904**.

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



The month of Tishri sees the education and youth team's feet hardly touch the ground as we go from preparing and running one holiday activity after the other. Fortunately, we had pre-planned all our activities up until Chanukah so that took the stress off a bit. But as Sarah has mentioned in her article for Young Families it is just so heart-warming to see so many families join in and appreciate our activities, it makes our work so worthwhile and spurs us on to do more to connect with the nearly 500 young people we have in our community.

For me one of the highlights of our Sukkah decorating party this year was that we invited residents from Norwood Homes to the party. They had such a great time and I was told what the invite meant for them as it was the only the second time since lockdown that they had been out and to be invited to a synagogue was so special.

Besides all the festivals happening, normal life like Orot, B'nei Mitzvah Classes and All Things Jewish continue. In Orot the children wrote to King Charles to offer their condolences on the death of his mother, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. You can see one of the touching letters that the children wrote.



Orot is welcoming our new shinshin (volunteer high school graduate from Israel) Shachar who will be spending once a month over the next year with the children to share with and teach them as much as she can in that time about Israel.

In our b'nei mitzvah classes this term, they are having lively debates about 'What is Torah' with their teachers, our rabbis. Our mentoring programme has restarted, which is really special and keeps our young people connected and involved way after their bar/bat mitzvah. I am sharing a message from one of our mentors to demonstrate the impact the programme has on her:

"Being part of the mentoring program has helped me to harness my passion for leadership and teaching. I love being able to be part of someone else's b'nei mitzvah experience. Being a familiar face in the congregation helps enable the student to perform with confidence, which as mentors we have watched develop throughout the term. I additionally feel that the mentoring program feels like our own little section of the community and has helped form many friendships."

As part of our mentoring enrichment programme, we have joined with Yachdav for a programme entitled 'Bar/Bat Mitzvah a Shared Journey with Friends' which will see us connected with students in Israel who are also celebrating their BBM. They will learn about each other's lives and hopefully grow friendships with each other whilst also exploring their shared responsibilities as young Jews of the world.



As always, ATJ has many great programmes and events planned over the next year. Please look out for details about our whole community Morning of Learning that will take us on a 'Journey Through Jewish Time' on **Sunday 04 December** with our rabbis and guest presenters. It will be a magical morning!

Please look at Young Families and Youth pages for details of events and programmes coming up for our families and young people. Not least **Mitzvah Day on Sunday 20 November** and our **Chanukah Party on Sunday 18 December**.

Marian Cohen, Director of Education
education@ehrs.uk / 020 8238 1014



October Half Term Scheme has just finished and what a wonderful time we have just had. We did so many incredible things from, learning circus skills and then putting on a show for the parents, learning street dance and showing off our skills, having Bonnie Lemer teach us the art of baking (fyi all her cakes are incredible!), doing a big science bonanza, taking part in experiments, travelling through space and time and so much more. We had the most amazing time and everybody had a big smile on his or her faces. A big thank you to the team of leaders that helped to provide this incredible experience, special shout out to Charli for being such a big help for me.

Coming up we have **Funnukah** running from **Monday 19 - Friday 23 December** for 5 days of Chanukah based fun. We will be baking, creating music, playing sports and bringing in lots of special guests to make our days as awesome as possible.

Bookings are also now open for our **February Half Term Scheme** running

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February Half Term Scheme

Monday 13 - Friday 17 February 2023
9:15 - 16:00
Early Bird prices available until Thursday 12 January
EHRs Members £125 full 5 days or £25 per day
Non EHRs Members £145 full 5 days or £30 per day

Monday 13 - Friday 17 February 2023.

Please go to www.ehrs.uk/youthcentre for more details

For those who are in year 9 or up there are still limited spaces for our Hadracha course, it is a great opportunity to learn

the art of leadership, develop confidence and learn about psychology and sociology.

Jack Murphy,
Head of Youth Development,
youth@ehrs.uk/020 8238 1024



Kaytana & Kadima presents.....

'FUNNUKAH'!

A fun filled 5 day activity camp for 5-11 year olds
 Early Bird Prices available until Thursday 1 December
 EHRs Members £125 Full 5 days or £25 per day
 Non EHRs Members £145 Full 5 days or £30 per day
 Sibling Reduction available

Monday 19 - Friday 23 December 2022, 9:15-16:00

For more information & to book go to www.ehrs.uk/youthcentre
Please email youth@ehrs.uk if you have any queries

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YOUNG FAMILIES

What a fabulous start to the Jewish New Year it has been. It was just wonderful seeing so many families join us for High Holy Day services and schmoozes! Welcoming families back to our weekly Stay & Play group and getting together for activities such as our Sukkah decorating party, Kuddle up Shabbat and Shabbat Club.



I am so excited that we now have an amazing Sensory Room in the Community Centre, which is fully kitted out as an interactive multi-sensory space for all those who need and more. It's been a project of passion and is so wonderful to see it come to life.

Our Into the woods family forest experience was enjoyed by all who attended.

We had a beautiful crisp autumn day, where we gathered in Stanmore Common to create Jewish homes out of the nature around us. After the hard work, we gathered for a story and snack, and to reflect on what we want for the year ahead.

Shabbat Stay & Play

Friday mornings 10:30 -11:45 (Term time)

Our baby and toddler group with toys, crafts and song session and Kiddush with our Rabbis. The perfect way to meet other parents, enjoy a hot drink and a catch up. Please book on our website in advance. You can collect CRP points for attending.

Kuddle Up In Person

Fridays 18 November and 23 December for a special Kuddle Up Chanukah, 16:15-16:45

Our special interactive Shabbat service for Primary aged children and their siblings. Songs, stories and activities. You can collect CRP points from attending. Early arrival is optional from 15.45. Come straight from school pick up, or just arrive early to play before the service. Selection of toys for the children and hot drinks available for the adults.

Chumash Babies

Saturday 5 November, 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 & Birthday Blessings

On the last Shabbat of the month, Saturdays 26 November & 24 December, 11:15-12:15

For Primary School aged children and their younger siblings are welcome. Parasha and Shabbat themed activities, stories and songs in a relaxed atmosphere. Finishing in time to join the community for Kiddush around 12.15. We are delighted to invite all children who have a birthday in that month to join us for



birthday blessing from the Rabbis 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 birthday cake treat!

Shabbat Shirah

On the second Shabbat of the month - Saturdays 12 November & 10 December, 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 chance for everyone to participate in making music.

MITZVAH DAY TEA!

Sunday 20 November, 15:00-17:00

Join us to do the Mitzvah of Hachnasat Orchim (welcoming the guest) - We are very excited to announce the return of the EHRs Mitzvah Day Tea Party after the success of last year. This is for members of all ages and families and we hope that you will join us for afternoon tea and entertainment including live music. Pre booking is required. Please go to www.ehrs.uk/event/mitzvahday2022

Chanukah Magic Show

Sunday 18 December, 11:00-12:30

Bring your whole family along to our magical magic show, followed by doughnuts and candle lighting. Please book at www.ehrs.uk/event/magicshow.

Sarah Koster, Young Families Lead

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"One generation goes and one generation comes, but the earth remains forever." Kohelet (1:4).

The book of Kohelet always knows how to put things into perspective.

On the one hand the fact that each generation comes and goes reminds us that our shared home Planet Earth is an element of continuity and stability. On the other hand, we now paying the price for the consequences of the Industrial revolution and all the different pollutions we have been producing for so long.

Upcoming EcoShabbat, on Saturday, November 12th, when we are together for Remembrance Shabbat, is an opportunity to both celebrate the beauty and bounty of Nature, which sustains us but also to focus on the ways we, as a community, reduce the harm we cause by such positive acts as cycling and planting trees.

EHRS, as a community, has already taken some important steps towards sustainability by introducing recycling and reducing the use of single use plastic across the Synagogue.

On Shabbat, November 12th, we will have an exciting opportunity to both celebrate the achievements of our EcoTeam and us as a community and to focus on the new areas of our community's sustainable and healthy living.

EcoShabbat, which will be marked by 5 denominations of the UK Jewish community (Sephardi, Orthodox, Masorti, Reform and Liberal) is also a great opportunity for us to be part of this fantastic intra-denominational movement of fellow Jews, who leave behind their religious and cultural differences to show solidarity and care for our shared home, Planet Earth.

The EHRS Eco and Rabbinic team are looking forward to marking this special Shabbat together with you!

Rabbi Tanya Sakhnovich

Rabbi Tanya joins the EHRS Clergy Team from 1 November 2022

Stonegrove Serenade

EHRS is delighted to present Stonegrove Serenade, a series of concerts at EHRS.
On every third Tuesday of the month, please join us for music featuring up and coming classical musicians.



The newest member of the Stonegrove Serenade team will be in action in both our November and December concerts. A beautiful 1910 Bechstein grand piano, a 'lady of character' gifted to EHRS by NNLS will accompany violin and clarinet in November and be part of a violin duo for a special Chanukah concert in December.

Upcoming Concert dates:
Tuesday 15 November, 13:00
Tuesday 20 December, 19:00



Café 118 will launch a new menu in November with the arrival of EHRS's brand new kitchen. Please note when booking if you will be using the café.

Audiences and musicians alike have praised Stonegrove Serenade's fantastic acoustics, intimate concert setting and warm welcome and attendees have been bowled over with the standard of talent the series has attracted. Café 118 has delighted customers with its fresh and tasty homemade food. Some of the comments we have received is that its 'an oasis of calm' and 'it doesn't matter if you're on your own, there is always someone friendly to sit with'. Stonegrove Serenade and Café 118 are run by volunteers with support from EHRS and Simply Scrumptious Catering. We are grateful for everyone's donations on the door and some generous extra donations which enable us to continue to book musicians. All funds raised go into the provision of Stonegrove Serenade and Café 118 and not to other synagogue purposes. Please see OWA and the EHRS website for details or email stonegrove.serenade@ehrs.uk to be added to our mailing list. We welcome visitors on the door however for catering purposes, it is enormously helpful if you can let us know you are coming by booking on the EHRS website.

All are welcome, please go to www.ehrs.uk/atj to book.
Admission is free, suggested donation £5



ALL THINGS JEWISH

For Zoom details please see Our Week Ahead,
or email atj@ehrs.uk

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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. 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.

Rosh Hodesh A New Series for 5783: Sun and Moon – Both Give Light. For this new year of months, we will be inviting guests who might typically be seen to have opposing view points, and exploring how they hold space together despite their differences.

Thursday 24 November – Rosh Chodesh Kislev: We will begin our series with a session that many have requested – Rabbi Debbie will be joined by her husband, Rabbi Gary Somers, who received Orthodox semichah in 2019 in the area of kashrut. How does a Reform Rabbi build a life with an Orthodox Rabbi? This will be on Zoom only.

Thursday 22 December – Rosh Chodesh Tevet: The first night of Tevet is on Saturday so we are pulling our Rosh Chodesh forwards a little. Join Rabbi Mark and Rabbi Dr Deborah Kahn Harris, Principal of Leo Baeck College, for an age old debate of opposites in Judaism. To find the wisdom in the world do we need Hochmah Yisraelit (the wisdom of Torah, Talmud and Jewish tradition) or Hochmah Yevanit (Greek wisdom: philosophy, history, art and literature)? This clash is at the basis of the Chanukkah story. Will we sort it out tonight? At EHRS or on Zoom.

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 EHRS or at home using Zoom.

Saturday 5 November – White Lies: In Rabbi Tanya Sakhnovich's first week at EHRS she asks the question To lie or not to lie? It is sometimes a difficult dilemma each of us face in our life. Is there a way to tell the truth without hurting other people's feelings or making enemies? We will look at a few texts from the time of Biblical Judaism and compare it to the opinion of Rabbinic Judaism: how do priests, prophets and rabbis wrestle with this moral dilemma for all of us?

Saturday 3 December – Leah and Rachel or Rachel and Leah: As we meet the last two of the Matriarchs in this week's Torah portion, Rabbi Debbie will be exploring their inclusion in our prayers, is it fair that Rachel goes first in our liturgy, and should Bilhah or Zilpah also get a look in? With Rabbi Debbie.

Live Performance of 'The Stove'

created by lifelong EHRS member Emma Brand

Sunday 6 November, 19:00-20:30

Part participatory performance, part communal meal, The Stove invites you to forge connections through storytelling. The Stove is a virtual meeting place, a fireside, kitchen table, cooking pot composite – a place to share stories over dinner and create new worlds with people you haven't yet got to know. The in-person Stove, developed for Tsitsit Festival, explores the inherited tales we bring to the table. It is a journey to the 'old country' and back again through the eyes of a Jewish child refugee.

There are 20 tickets available, £20 per person including dinner. Please book your place at www.ehrs.uk/event/thestove.

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 19 November – Chevrah Kaddishah, an extraordinary Mitzvah. A group of EHRS members, with the help of our Burial Society, take care of our bodies when we have died and perform the Mitzvah of Taharah, purification. How did this practice of kindness develop and how is it carried out? Hosted by Rabbi Mark and Andie Lucas on this Shabbat when we read in the Sedra Chayei Sarah about the death and burial of our matriarch Sarah.

Saturday 17 December – What not to do if you don't get on with your sibling. Parashat Vayeshev is mired in sibling rivalry: when is it permissible to sell your arrogant brother or sister into slavery. When there is jealousy between siblings can we channel our negative emotions towards positive outcomes? We will start our session by looking into the stories of Joseph's brothers and Potiphar's wife as archetypal examples of this topic. What do you think Joseph would have learnt from this chapter of his life? Study with our new Rabbi Tanya Sakhnovich.

Who Jew You Think You Are?

Thursday 10 November, 20:00

Join us for the second in a series of special events where we explore the fascinating lives of special guests. This time, Chani and Emeritus Rabbi Danny Smith will be in conversation with Phil Dave. They will be talking about their amazing lifetime of working in progressive Judaism and of course their time at EHRS/EHRS. Book your place for a truly memorable evening. Please go to www.ehrs.uk/atj to book. This will also be available on Zoom.



Talmud Class Sundays 6 & 20 November and 11 December, 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 to get the Zoom details and the Talmud texts we are studying.

SAVE THE DATE

EHRS Day of Jewish Learning: History, Herstory, Ourstory - A Journey Through Jewish Time

Sunday 4 December, 9:30-12:30

118 Stonegrove turns into a Jewish time machine to take you on an extraordinary journey through Jewish history.

Dynamic, inspirational, provocative workshops suitable for everyone aged 4-100! Creche available and free Refreshments. Workshops run by our rabbis and guest speakers including Rabbi Debbie, Rabbi Mark, Rabbi Tanya, Rabbi Steven Katz, and Laurence Stein. More to be announced soon. To book please go to www.ehrs.uk/event/dayoflearning22





Chanukah 2022



As always EHRS celebrates Chanukah in style with a special event, including Chanukah candle lighting each day of the festival.

Full details and timings will be on our website, www.ehrs.uk/chanukah

Sunday 18 December, 11:00-12:30

Chanukah Magic Show

Bring your whole family along to our magic show, followed by doughnuts and candle lighting. Please book at www.ehrs.uk/event/magicshow

Monday 19 - Friday 23 December, 9:15-16:00

Funnukah Scheme for 5-11 year olds

Please see page 9 of this edition of LeDor VaDor for more details and to book.

Monday 19 December, 18:30-19:00

EHRS Chanukah Candle Lighting by Zoom.

Join our Rabbis to light your Chanukah candles at home.

Meeting ID: 832 4502 6141 Password: 839856

Tuesday 20 December

We will light our Chanukah candles at the Stonegrove Serenade Evening Concert.

Wednesday 21 December, 18:30-19:00

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Friday 23 & Saturday 24 December

Our Shabbat Chanukah will begin with the lighting of the Chanukah candles at our Shabbat evening service, please bring your Chanukiah from home so that we can truly set the shul figuratively alight! On Shabbat morning our service includes the special Chanukah readings.

Sunday 25 December, 18:30-19:00

EHRS Chanukah Candle Lighting by Zoom.

Join our Rabbis to light your Chanukah candles at home and avoid the tinsel of the evening!

Meeting ID: 832 4502 6141 Password: 839856

Details of all our volunteering opportunities are on the EHRS website at www.ehrs.uk/socialaction

NIGHT SHELTER VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Wednesday 23 November, 20:00

We will need volunteers to support the night shelter when it returns to EHRS for 8 Monday nights and Tuesday mornings starting Monday 27 February 2023.

We will need cooks (at home), people to set up, people to serve dinner and socialise, people to serve breakfast, people to sleep in the hall with volunteers, people to serve breakfast and people to deliver bedding to the next venue. If you would like to find out more about getting involved then join us at EHRS on Wednesday 23 November from 20:00.

Please email us at nightshelter@ehrs.uk to let us know you're coming for security



and catering purposes. Many Thanks for your support, Lisa Bard.

HELP REFUGEE CHILDREN ON SUNDAYS OR MONDAYS

<https://separatedchild.org>

Do you have a couple of hours to spare on Sundays between the hours of 10:00 and 14:00?

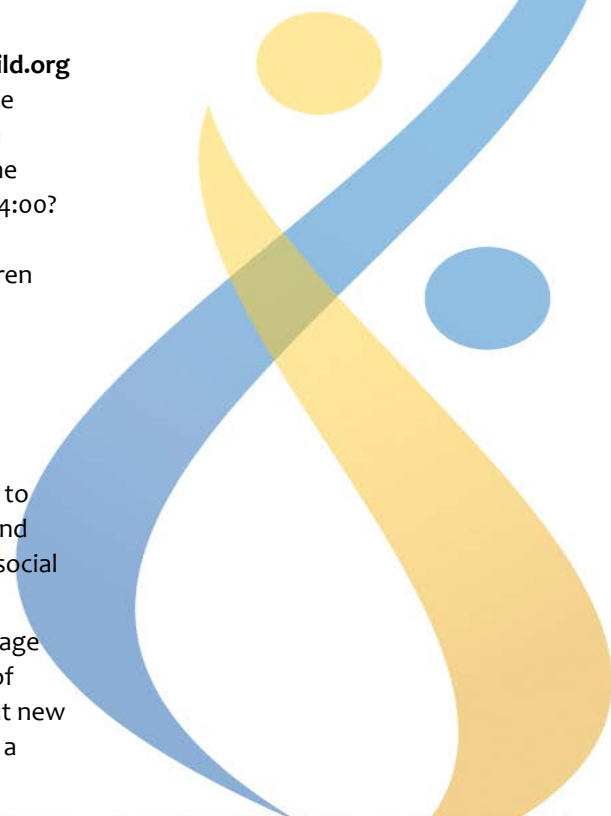
Or on occasional Mondays.

Why not use that time to help children who had to flee their homes and struggled to get to the UK on their own...

The Separated Child Foundation 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 or Monday 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. Visit www.separatedchild.org/our-work/arrival-packs Contact Lisa by email at lisa.bard@ehrs.uk for more information.



Environmental Action Team (EAT)

A mattress, a shopping trolley, an England football and a paint tray. Just some of the items fished out of the Welsh Harp Reservoir at our Reverse Tashlich on Sunday 2 October.

Every year, on the first day of Rosh Hashanah we participate in the ancient ritual of Tashlich. We go a body of water and symbolically cast away our sins of the past year.

Inspired by the global Jewish waterfront clean up "Repair the Sea", the Environmental Action Teams of EHRS and West London Synagogue joined together with the friends of the Welsh Harp Reservoir to take something out of the water. The rubbish we sinfully cast away in blatant violation of the principle of Bal Tashchit.

This modern twist on a Jewish tradition is known as a Reverse Tashlich.

In recognition of our efforts, Councillor Alison Moore, the Mayor of Barnet, came to thank us for our help before we called it a day with another Jewish tradition, tea and honey cake!

ECO SYNAGOGUE



www.ecosynagogue.org

Beer and Shiur, 20:00.

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

Wednesday 9 November, 20:00-21:30

Come and learn about the first examples of women in Rabbinic Roles, as well as the first woman to be ordained a Rabbi, Regina

Jonas, who witnessed Krystal Nacht on 9 November 1938. On Zoom, with Rabbi Debbie.

Wednesday 14 December, 20:00-21:30

With Rabbi Tanya, details to be confirmed. This will be a fantastic opportunity to come and learn with the newest addition to the EHRS Rabbinic team.

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Celebration of the Torah Scroll in memory of Rabbi Neil Kraft z'l SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2022

Over 260 people attended a Siyyum (celebration of a new Torah Scroll) at Edgware and Hendon Reform Synagogue (EHRS).

Laurence Stein, chair of the organising committee said,

"It was incredible to see so many people at our Siyyum. As a mark of respect to the memory of our late Queen, we did not parade the new Scroll around the streets of Edgware as was initially planned but we were still able to celebrate within the Shul premises. It was so moving to see over 60 members of our community help Sofer, Marc Michaels complete the writing of the Scroll."



The Shul had commissioned the writing of this new Scroll in memory of Rabbi Neil Kraft z'l who died from Covid in March 2020. The cost of the Scroll had been paid for by members and non members of EHRS who felt that a specially written Torah Scroll was the perfect memorial for a wonderful & caring husband, father & rabbi who had served the community for over 17 years and was days away from retirement.



Sharon Price, Siyyum coordinator added,

"The Siyyum was a joyous occasion to celebrate the completion and enabled over 260 members of EHRS to once again experience being at the heart of their community."



Have your Simcha at EHRS

We have two halls available for hire at EHRS, the perfect place to have your celebration.

The modern, light and airy Function Hall gives plenty of space to seat 160 guests and leave room for dancing the night away!

A room extension is available to accommodate up to 250 guests.



We also have a lovely spacious hall on the first floor of our Community Centre building. This hall is perfect for parties and events, and offers capacity for 180 guests.



For further information and to book one of our spaces, please call 020 8238 1011 or email banqueting@ehrs.uk

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