WHAT'S ON

September 2025 / Elul 5785/5786

EHRS

What is What's On?

EHRS's monthly newsletter highlights what our lively community offers for you to participate in, enjoy and learn from.

Full details of all events and services can be found at www.ehrs.uk/event and our 'Our Week Ahead' emails or call the Synagogue Office.



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, 020 8238 1000. 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 by either a credit or debit card. Please can we ask you not to send cheques and certainly please do not bring in (or send) cash.

BEREAVEMENT

Office hours: in all cases of bereavement please contact Amanda Bookatz, the Executive PA to the Clergy (see contact details in *Clergy* section).

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. The JJBS email is

info@jewishfunerals.org.uk

THE CLERGY

Our EHRS Clergy Team are always happy to hear from you. Please contact their Executive PA, Amanda Bookatz, on 020 8238 1002 or amanda.bookatz@ehrs.uk.

You can contact them directly:
Rabbi Mark Goldsmith (Senior Rabbi)
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Rabbi Debbie Young-Somers
020 8238 1019, rabbi.debbie@ehrs.uk
Rabbi Sandra Kviat
020 8238 1018, sandra.kviat@ehrs.uk
Cantor Tamara Wolfson
020 8238 1010, cantor.tamara@ehrs.uk
Outside office hours our 24/7 EHRS

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

For information about our "Together Groups" see ehrs.uk/togethergroups

Subscription Payments for 2025

If you are paying by standing order and wish to continue paying monthly, please call us with your bank sort code, account number and name so that we can switch you to a direct debit mandate. If you wish to pay in full, this can still be made by card or bank transfer.

Thank you for all you do to enable EHRS to be a thriving Jewish community by paying your membership subscription on time.

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

If you find it difficult to book events on the computer, please call the synagogue office so that we can help you. Tel: 020 8238 1000

For a round-up of all activities and services we are running for the High Holy Days, highlighted here in the What's On in blue, please visit ehrs.uk/hhd or see our High Holy Days 2025/5786 Brochure





Mazel Tovs & Simchas

Anniversaries

Mazel Tov to **Philip and Chrissie Newfield** on their 50th wedding anniversary

Bar/Bat Mitzvahs

6 September

Kurt Marx - 3rd Bar Mitzvah

13 September

Koby Seder, son of Arron and Natasha Seder

20 September

Rafi Rosen, son of Jonathan Rosen

Birthdays

Mazel Tov to **Kurt Marx** on his 100th birthday Mazel Tov to **Jackie Mincer** on her 80th birthday Mazel Tov to **Frimette Carr** on her 80th birthday Mazel Tov to **Woolf Diamond** on his 97th birthday

Births

Mazel Tov to Jonathan and Amanda Stimmler on the birth of their son, and to Anthony and Melanie Stimmler on the birth of their grandson, **Aaron Stimmler**

Mazel Tov to Natasha and Daniel Stern on the birth of their daughter, and to Madelaine and Simon Stern, and Kathy and Jeremy Berg on the birth of their granddaughter,

Margot Eden Stern

Have you Got News for Us?

Whether it be a birth, anniversary, special birthday or achievement, please let us know so it can be announced.

Please email communications@ehrs.uk

New Members

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

Gemma Blaker
Adam, Samantha, Charlie & Olivia Cohen
Ian & Helene Cooper
Irena, Carl, Isaac, Lei & Yael Freeman
Nicholas, Amanda, Olivia & Eliana Gale
Stephen Gold

Suzette Greenberg Nathan Kabel Tara, Chris, Raphael, India, Ariya & Shai Kinread Charlie Rosenthal Naomi Shoffman

Services

Erev Shabbat Service, 18:30-19:20

Our Erev Shabbat Service takes place every Friday evening. Led by our Clergy in person at the 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. Once a month, returning in September, our Shirah (musical) or Shirah SheBaLev (accapella choir) Friday night services enhance the experience with great music.

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.

Children's Shabbat Experiences

We aim for there to be a special Shabbat experience for children every week at EHRS. Our Shabbat Shirah and Shabbat Club on respectively the second and fourth Shabbat each month are especially created for children to enjoy. On the first and third Shabbat, from 10:45–11:15 our Clergy and educators run *Torah Time* sessions for any children that would like to join them. See Our Week Ahead for what is on this week. All are suitable for collecting CRP points for Jewish schools.

Kuddle Up Shabbat , 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.

Early Risers Service - Second Shabbat of Each Month, 9:30-11:00

This especially friendly service is mostly in Hebrew, uses nusach (traditional modes of chant for the prayers), includes 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.

Sunday Shacharit, 9:30-10:00

Half an hour of morning prayer with a friendly bunch of folks, includes the Kaddish if you are remembering a loved one. On the first Sunday of each month, it includes a bagel breakfast.

Coming Soon

An EHRS Celebration The Eras Tour of EDRS & HRS

Sunday 19 October, 10:30-12:30



Followed by the EHRS AGM.

This will be a memorable and engaging morning for everyone of all ages as we celebrate the foundation of Edgware and District Reform Synagogue in 1935, and the building of the Danescoft home of Hendon Reform Synagogue in 1955, the main ingredients of EHRS!

Join us for a morning of history, celebration, stories, entertainment, and fun for the whole community

Register at ehrs.uk/EHRS9070

On Shabbat morning 11 October our Chol HaMoed Sukkot service at 10:30 will be dedicated to celebrating our history.

Week at a Glance 1st September to 7th September

Event details are correct at time of printing but may be subject to change.

Please visit www.ehrs.uk/events and see our "Our Week Ahead" emails for up to date information.

Monday 1st

11:15-12:30 Folk Dancing 14:00-15:30 Singing Circle

Tuesday 2nd

13:00-16:00 The League of Jewish Women 19:00-21:00 High Holy Day Choir Rehearsal 19:30-21:00 Rabbi Kraft Memorial Book Club

Wednesday 3rd

10:30-12:00 Coffee & Chat **12:30-15:30** Bridge at EHRS

Thursday 4th

13:30-15:30 JACS at EHRS

18:00-20:00 Uni Student September Send-Off

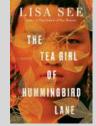
Rabbi Kraft Memorial Book Club

Tuesdays monthly, 19:30-21:00

This month we will be discussing

The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Land by Lisa See.

A powerful story about circumstances, culture, and distance, this book paints an unforgettable portrait of a little known region and its people and celebrates the bond of family.



Register your interest: ehrs.uk/rabbi-kraftmemorial-book-club-booking-form

PARENTS & STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO OUR

Uni Student September Send-Off

An Evening Exploring:
Student Life Finding Community
Being Jewish on Campus

JOIN YOUR RABBIS & UJS UNI EXPERTS WHO CAN SUPPORT AND ENRICH

YOUR TIME ON CAMPUS!

6pm, Thurs 4 Sept 2025

Herts / Middx Location | Register for Address
REGISTER NOW:
https://tinyurl.com/yh325xwy











Friday 5th

18:30-19:20 Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday 6th

9:15 How Would a Martian Know it's the High Holy Days? A Musical Shiur

10:30-12:30 Shabbat Morning Service 10:45-11:15 Torah Time

Sunday 7th

9:30-10:00 Sunday Shacharit

9:45-12:30 Orot - "The Happy Cheder"

10:00-11:00 Talmud Class

11:00-11:40 Memorial Services: Edgwarebury

and Southgate Cemeteries

10:30-12:30 Sunday Morning Craftalong

14:00-15:30 Foraging

16:00-19:00 End of Summer Movie Night & BBQ



Week at a Glance 8th September to 14th September

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Monday 8th

11:15-12:30 Folk Dancing

14:00-15:30 Singing Circle

19:30-21:30 SEND - Grandparents Support Group

Tuesday 9th

13:00 Stonegrove Serenade - see page 12

14:00-15:30 Spanish Conversation Group

14:30-16:00 Art Appreciation

19:00-21:00 High Holy Day Choir Rehearsal

19:00-20:30 Scouts

19:00-21:30 Cornerstone

Wednesday 10th

12:30-15:30 Bridge at EHRS

18:00-19:00 EHRS Live from Tel Aviv with Rabbi Meir Azari

19:00-19:45 Shofar Blowing Workshop

20:00 Beer and Shiur

Thursday 11th

11:00-12:00 Sing & Sensory

13:30-15:30 JACS at EHRS

18:45-20:00 Cubs

20:00-22:00 In Conversation with Barry Silkman

Bridge at EHRS Wednesdays weekly, 12:30-15:30

Join us for an enjoyable and sociable afternoon. Only £4 including tea.

This group is now offering sessions for beginners. If you would like to join, please email evie@ehrs.uk.

For any other enquiries about 'NEW OPTIONS' contact Jeffrey Fisher on 020 8958 0424 or email newoptions@ehrs.uk.

EHRS Live from Tel Aviv with Rabbi Meir Azari

Wednesday 10 September 18:00-19:00

What is happening in Israel right now? Hear directly from Rabbi Meir Azari, spiritual leader of the Beit Daniel Reform Synagogue in Tel Aviv.



He heads the Daniel Centers throughout Tel Aviv which help to make this city the place in Israel where our Judaism is most thriving. EHRS members spent two Shabbatot at Beit Daniel back in December 2024, it's the most EHRS-y of the Israeli Reform Synagogues! Rabbi Meir will be in conversation with Rabbi Mark whom you can join in person at EHRS or on Zoom.

Please email rabbi.mark@ehrs.uk for Zoom details.

Friday 12th

10:30-11:45 Shabbat Stay & Play 18:30-21:00 Shabbat Shirah She'ba'ley Service and Dinner

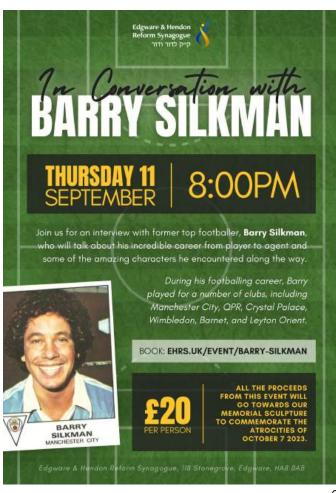
Saturday 13th

9:30-11:00 Early Risers Service 9:45-10:15 Kol Echad Jewish Music Workshop – Music of the High Holydays 10:30-12:30 Shabbat Morning Service 20:00-00:15 Selichot Choral Service & Film

Sunday 14th

9:30-10:00 Sunday Shacharit 9:45-12:30 Orot – "The Happy Cheder" 11:00-11:40 Memorial Services: Cheshunt Western Cemetery and at EHRS 12:00-12:40 Memorial Service: Cheshunt Woodlands Cemetery

15:00-17:00 Into the Woods



Week at a Glance 15th September to 21st September

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Please visit www.ehrs.uk/events and see our "Our Week Ahead" emails for up to date information.

Monday 15th

11:15-12:30 Folk Dancing

14:00-15:30 Singing Circle

19:00-20:30 10 Tunes for the 10 Days: an EHRS

Elul Playlist

Tuesday 16th

13:00 Lunch Club

19:00-21:00 High Holy Day Choir Rehearsal

19:00-20:30 Scouts

19:00-21:30 Cornerstone

Wednesday 17th

14:00-16:00 Memory Way Café

19:00-21:00 Cookalong – Honey Cake for Rosh

Hashanah

Thursday 18th

11:00-12:00 Sing & Sensory

18:45-20:00 Cubs

Folk Dancing Mondays weekly

Mondays weekly 11:15-12:30



Please join us for Folk Dancing 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.

Register your interest:
ehrs.uk/israeli-dance-booking-form



Lunch Club Tuesdays monthly

With a friendly and welcoming atmosphere, you will have the chance to spend time with other people and feel a greater sense of belonging to our Community.

Booking in advance is essential! £9. Please call the Community Care Department on 020 8238 1015 or email communitycare@ehrs.uk

Friday 19th

10:30-11:45 Shabbat Stay & Play 16:15-16:45 Kuddle Up Tishri 18:30-19:20 Frey Shabbat Service

Saturday 20th

9:15-10:15 Bite of Torah: Choose Life 10:30-12:30 Shabbat Morning Service 10:45-11:15 Torah Time

Sunday 21st

9:30-10:00 Sunday Shacharit



Memory Way Café Wednesdays monthly 14:00-16:00

We offer tea, cake, support and advice in a warm and welcoming environment

A donation of £5 per couple towards refreshments would be greatly appreciated.

For more information contact 020 8238 1013 or 1015 or email us at communitycare@ehrs.uk.



Week at a Glance 22nd September to 18th September

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Please visit www.ehrs.uk/events and see our "Our Week Ahead" emails for up to date information.

Monday 22nd

18:30–19:40 Erev Rosh Hashanah Service 19:00–19:30 How can this be a year of hope?

Tuesday 23rd

9:30–10:15 Early Years Service **9:45–10:15** Chumash Babies

10:00-12:40 Hannah Hive

10:00-12:40 Shacharit and Musaf Service

10:15-12:00 Stay & Schmooze and Youth

Tashlich

10:30-11:30 Primary Years Service

11:45-12:45 Secondary School Years Youth

Service

17:00-17:30 Rosh Hashanah First Day – Tashlich in the Park

Wednesday 24th

10:00-12:15 Shacharit and Musaf Service

10:00-11:00 Rosh Hashanah Club

10:00-11:00 Rosh Hashanah Youth Club

11:15-12:00 Bite of Apple & Honey Torah Study

Thursday 25th

11:00-12:00 Sing & Sensory

18:45-20:00 Cubs

Friday 26th

10:30-11:45 Shabbat Stay & Play 18:30-19:30 Erev Shabbat Shuvah

Saturday 27th

9:15-10:15 Shabbat Shiur on Jonah with Jonathan Bergwerk

10:30-12:30 Shabbat Shuvah Service

11:15-12:15 Shabbat Club

Sunday 28th

9:30-10:00 Sunday Shacharit **10:30-12:00 Rambling**

Rambling Sundays monthly, 10:30-12:00

There's only one thing that beats getting out into the fresh air and discovering new places – and that's doing it with other people. Rambling is a fantastic way to make new friends and learn about local lore.

Our monthly walks are approximately 1-2 hours, moderately challenging, and super friendly. Open to all ages.

Register your interest: ehrs.uk/rambling-booking-form







Week at a Glance 29th September to 5th October

Event details are correct at time of printing but may be subject to change.

Please visit www.ehrs.uk/events and see our "Our Week Ahead" emails for up to date information.

Monday 29th

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Tuesday 30th

14:00-15:30 Spanish Conversation Group

19:00-20:30 Scouts

19:30-21:00 Orly Erez-Likhovski – Repairing

Israel in our Name

Wednesday 1st

19:30-21:40 Kol Nidre Service

20:20-21:00 Imagine no Religion, wouldn't we all

get along better?

Thursday 2nd

9:30-10:15 Early Years Service

9:45-10:15 Chumash Babies

10:00-12:40 Hannah Hive

10:15-12:00 Stay & Schmooze

10:30-13:30 Shacharit

10:30-11:30 Primary Years Service

11:45-12:45 Secondary School Years Youth Service

12:00-12:45 No Pimms, Still Poetry

12:00-17:15 Yom Kippur Chill Zone

13:45-15:20 Musaf

13:45-14:30 Neshamah Avodah

14:35-15:25 No Beer Still a Shiur - The Power of Forgiveness - Can it Really Work?

14:35-15:25 Yom Kippur Walk into the New Year

15:30-17:20 Minchah

15:30-16:15 Talmud Study Session

16:20-17:15 Yom Kippur Discussion - Balancing the Scales

17:30-18:15 Yizkor

17:30-18:15 This Year I Am Remembering

17:30-18:15 Yizkor Space for Young People

18:15-19:23 Neilah

18:15-19:23 Neilah for Young People

18:20-19:23 Meditative Neilah

19:24-19:29 Havdallah

19:30-19:45 Breaking the Fast Together

Friday 3rd

18:30-19:20 Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday 4th

10:30-12:30 Shabbat Morning Service

10:45-11:15 Torah Time

Sunday 5th

9:30-10:00 Sunday Shacharit

9:45-12:30 Orot - "The Happy Cheder"

10:00-12:30 Sukkah Building & Unveiling of the EHRS Memorial Sculpture (to commemorate the victims of October 7 2023)

Spanish Conversation Group Tuesdays fortnightly, 14:00-15:30

Hola, hablas español?

Want to brush up on your Spanish conversation in person? This group is for those who wish to improve their Spanish.

Register: ehrs.uk/spanish-class-booking-form



Are you interested in environmental issues?

Would you like to help EHRS achieve a net zero future? If so, the **Eco Team** is looking for volunteers.

All we need from you is enthusiasm, a willingness to get stuck in and whatever skills/experience you can offer.

Please contact angela.lipman@ehrs.uk





In a first for Stonegrove Serenade, we have a piano concert for four hands!

Duo Mimesi - Gioia Barbera and Federico Bucaioni

Tuesday 9 September, 13:00



Duo Mimesi is a piano four-hands ensemble founded in 2022 by Italian pianists Gioia Barbera and Federico Bucaioni, both distinguished soloists and chamber musicians. Connected by a shared artistic vision and a deep passion for chamber music, the duo combines refined interpretative sensitivity with a dynamic stage presence.

Both artists are equally dedicated to solo and chamber music. After graduating with highest honours in solo piano, they are now completing their advanced chamber music studies at the Conservatory of Frosinone.

Since its formation, Duo Mimesi has performed widely across Italy and abroad, with notable appearances at Sala Eutherpe (León, Spain), Crystal Hall (Rogaška Slatina, Slovenia), Teatro Mazzacorati (Bologna), Palazzo Gallio (Alvito), and the Chiostro del Campitelli at Teatro di Marcello (Rome).

In January 2025, they completed a successful concert tour in India, performing at major venues in New Delhi, Goa, and Pune to enthusiastic



We invite you to enjoy a light lunch in our pop up café before the concert.

Café 118 will be open from 12:00.

The café will re-open after the concert with drinks, cake and a chat.

In order to reduce food waste, and to ensure we cater for the correct number of people, Café 118 patrons are requested to book a minimum of 3 days prior to the event.

Please note when booking if you will be using the café for lunch.

All are welcome

Admission is £5.00 payable at the door Book at ehrs.uk/event/stonegrove-

serenade-18



Stonegrove Life

EHRS YOUNG ADULTS (20'S-40'S)

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

If you'd like egular updates of when our dinners will be. Rabbi Debbie can add you to our young adults mailing list.

Booking will be essential!

BEER & SHIUR

On the second

Wednesday of every month our young adults come together to learn and socialise. Sometimes on Zoom, but often in person, where the first drink is on us!

Have a topic you'd love us to explore? Let Rabbi Debbie know!

PUB QUIZ

Fancy joining us for the occasional Weds night pub quiz at The Duck in the Pond?

Our first attempt had us in 3rd place - maybe you can get us to 1st?

Email Rabbi Debbie for details or to join our WhatsApp group to find out what's happening!

SOCIALS

This year we are planning more opportunities to just get together!

LED BY YOU

EHRS run a huge range of together groups driven by members interests.

You are welcome to join any of them from music to TV to foraging and cooking ... and you can also create your own!

What would you like to be doing? Get in touch!

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL RABBI.DEBBIE@EHRS.UK 10

May their memories be a blessing

Bereavements

Stella Cash, mother of Danny and Henry Cash

Clive Hyman, husband of Rachel Graham, and brother of Harry Hyman

Patricia Mono, wife of Stephen Mono, mother of Benjamin Mono and Rebecca Tolson, and sister of Angela Marber

Trevor Elkan, brother of Stephen Elkan

Tombstone Consecrations

Sunday 7 September

Edgwarebury Cemetery
9:00 David Duke-Cohan

12:30 Richard Woolf

Sunday 21 September

Cheshunt Cemetery

11:45 Alan Woolf

Sunday 28 September

Woodlands Cemetery

11:00 Harold & Helen Henley

Sunday 5 October

Cheshunt Cemetery

14:00 Anita Cohen

EHRS offers two social
Together Groups for those
who have lost their partners.
Genesis (age 60+) and
Phoenix (age 70+) For
details about both groups,
or to access bereavement
support, please contact
Community Care on 020
8238 1013 or email us at
communitycare@ehrs.uk

In case of a bereavement please call the Jewish Joint Burial Society on 020 8989 5252 They will help and support you to make the arrangements you need.

Please also call the Synagogue on 020 8238 1000.

Bereavement Support at EHRS

Our Community Care team contacts members who have been affected by bereavement as a means to offer fellowship and a listening ear. We have a small group of bereavement visitors who are volunteers trained to provide support to those in our community who have been bereaved. In some cases, we may suggest referral to approved professional support. All our work is carried out in the strictest confidence.



Nagila, which means "rejoice", is the excellent and highly praised nursery of EHRS.

Ages 18 months to 4 years old

OPEN ALL YEAR ROUND

Monday-Thursday | Friday 7:45AM-5:30PM | 7:45AM-1:00PM

At Nagila we offer a safe, secure and stimulating setting in which pre-school children are free to develop to their full potential, in a friendly and nurturing environment.

The school is purpose built with its own secure outdoor play areas, which are used daily to give the children space to move and learn.

We provide a developmentally appropriate curriculum which encompasses the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum as set down by the Department of Education

We are delighted to have been consistently judged 'Good' or 'Outstanding' in all Ofsted inspections since 2010.

Come and see our very special nursery and meet the team. We would be delighted to discuss with you how we can nurture, educate and care for your child in our very exciting and dynamic nursery.

For more information visit our website www.ehrs.uk/nagila-pre-school or email nagila@ehrs.uk



