

Chavaya

Curriculum overview

Notes: exploring, processing, sharing-humanistic/holistic approach

Kinder: Jewish symbols:

Objects help us create conceptions. These concepts are the result of the sum of our values and of our experiences. At this stage we want create/present tangible notions that link to profound value.

1st/2nd grade Curriculum-Jewish history through Jewish heroes:

Heroes are cultural symbols that we create to endure ideals, experiences and events. We want these heroes to transcend, we want these heroes to inspire our children to be better, to seek changes, to take action and responsibility.

Third grade: Mitzvot

Mitzvot. *Mitzvah* (singular for *Mitzvot*) literally means “commandment.” In fact, Jewish tradition understands exactly 613 (“tariag”) *mitzvot* to be derived from the Bible. Life is about making choices although not all Jews fulfil all *mitzvot*, however, our educational responsibility is to explore with our *chanichim* a big variety of them and to think about how they relate to them.

Fourth and fifth grade: Stories from the Bible

Through Bible stories we will also learn about the history of the Jewish people. We will discover who the first Jew was! We will learn about our heroes and their beliefs. We will also learn about non-Jews who risked their own lives to save Jewish lives. We will exercise the muscle of the memory. How you might ask.? *How will I remember, if I wasn't there?* Yes, memory! Memory as the collective experience, and the individual experience that our people lived.

Sixth and seventh grade: B'nai Mitzvah: Celebrating a Tradition of Deep Connection and Innovation

Bar and Bat Mitzvah at TBT is an opportunity for children and families to connect to a wide spectrum of Jewish experiences, to live Jewish values as a community.

Mitzvah age symbolizes the time in which according to Jewish tradition children become formally partners in shaping our society. That's why at TBT we are committed through meaningful activities to facilitate each child's individual connection with Jewish tradition.

We will seek from the depths of our millenary culture for mindfulness, ethics, social justice, environmental awareness, tradition and innovation, etc.