

WHAT TO EXPECT IN KITTAH GAN (KINDERGARTEN)

CURRICULUM

Jewish Identity & Community

Children in Gan are introduced to the concept of Jewish community through the study of the Synagogue via its symbols and architecture.

Hebrew

Children in Gan develop Hebrew language through prayers, songs and games. They learn to recite the Hebrew Alphabet, name ritual objects and concepts associated with holidays. They develop a classroom vocabulary that is reinforced regularly.

Holidays and Mitzvot

Children in Gan are introduced to the basic Jewish Holidays as they occur, learning the customs and traditions associated with each holiday. Through art, music, cooking and storytelling, the children prepare for each holiday and bring ideas and projects home to enhance the celebration of each holiday.

Bible

Your child will discover important Biblical heroes and stories of the Torah and the Prophets through a variety of modalities. Through role playing and creative movements and projects, your child will learn the lessons of the Torah.

Prayer & Theology

Your child will be guided and encouraged to think and talk about God and to find a higher meaning for the things and creatures that inhabit our world.

Prayer Goals

Your child will be learning many new prayers this year. These prayers will be routinely reviewed each and every week, so not to worry. The prayers are learned through familiar

What's in a Name?

You and your child will learn about the person for whom your child was named and then present it to the class.

T'fillot (Prayers)

Modeh Ani,
Ma Tov (1st line),
Hallelu (song),
Shema & V'Ahavta (1st paragraph),
Torah Torah (song), Eitz Chayim Hi, Adon Olam(refrain).

Berachot (Blessings)

Bread – Ha'Motzih Wine – Ha-'Gafen
Cake – Mezonot
Candy, other - Sh'Hakol
Fruit - Ha'etz
Vegetables Ha'Adama
Shabbat Candles– L'hadlik Ner Shel Shabbat
Havdallah: Wine - Borey p'ri ha-gafen, Besamim (spices) – Borey Miney V'samin, Esh (fire)- Borey M'orei ha-esh.
Chanukah, Sheheche-ya-nu,
Pesach: Ma Nishtanah, Matzah, Maror

Jewish Cooking

Your child will learn about the Jewish holidays through a Jewish cooking class with a professional chef every other week.

Music

Your child will learn many new songs in Hebrew and/or English each week.

Remember!

If you want to know what's going on every week at Beth El Religious School, read Rabbi Marshall's Corner.