

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Alef

GOALS

Hebrew

- To introduce students to the Hebrew Alefbet: students will be able to recognize the vowel sounds and the 22 letters of the alefbet, and to read simple words phonetically
- To familiarize students with the sounds of Hebrew as a living language

Torah

- To help students develop a familiarity with the early stories of the Bible

Other

- To introduce students to the rituals of synagogue life
- To introduce students to symbols of Judaism
- To help students establish a Jewish identity

Israel

Israel will be discussed throughout the year, rather than being taught as a discrete unit, with a focus on the following topics: Geography; Cultures; Languages; Foods, and; Environment. More intensive focus on Israel will precede Yom HaAtzma'ut, Israel's Independence Day.

PRAYERS/SONGS

- Shema
- Shabbat blessings
- David Melech
- Oseh Shalom
- V'Shamru
- Hiney Ma Tov

VALUES

- Tzedakah
- Tikkun Olam
- Shalom Bayit
- Diversity

PROJECTS

Projects throughout the year will be related to the Jewish holidays and to Shabbat.

TEXTS

Hebrew: *Shalom Alef Bet!*

Torah: *Bible Stories for Jewish Children*