

STAGE 2 CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

For students in Years 3 & 4

TERM 1:

A Brief Introduction to My Judaism

- Recognise the Menorah as the most ancient symbol of Judaism

Bible Story - Yosef

- Retell the story of Yosef and discuss how students would have behaved in the circumstances Yosef and his brothers had found themselves in

Purim

- Learn the 4 Mitzvot of Purim

Pesach

- Discuss the concept of freedom as reflected in the story of Exodus from Egypt and its relevance to humanity

TERM 2:

Israel's Innovations

- Learn about Israel's innovations to gain affiliation with the modern State of Israel

Yom HaAtzma'ut

- Understand the reason for the strong bond Jewish people have with the State of Israel

Israel

- Learn about archeologic sites in Israel

Shavuot

- Discuss the importance of rules for humanity

Noah's Ark and the Tower of Bavel

- Learn the units of measurements used to construct the Ark
- Understand the diversity of cultures in view of the story of the Tower of Bavel

The 12 Spies

- Analyse the emotional state of the Israelites upon reaching the Land of Israel

TERM 3:

Jewish Wisdom

- Learn the proverb Hakarat Hatov - Gratitude

Jewish Diversity

- Learn about diversity around Jewish festivals

Rosh HaShanah

- Learn about the connection between historical events and the way these events are commemorated

Yom Kippur

- Learn the significance of the 10 days between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur

Sukkot

- Make the connection between living in the humble Sukkah and real happiness

TERM 4:

Simchat Torah

- Learn about the books in the Torah, where the Torah is kept and the 613 Mitzvot

Israel

- Learn about the Jewish connection to the state of Israel, the role of Ben Gurion, and the founding of Tel Aviv

Chanukah

- Understand the process of lighting candles, learn the song Maoz Tzur, and identify the menorah as the emblem of the State of Israel

End of Year Recap

- Revise all topics taught over the year, and prepare for the next stage in the Jewish Journey