

Hebrew Program @ BJE

BJE’s new K-6 Hebrew program has been developed to engage our students and allow them to build on their Hebrew skills as they progress through the stages of the program. Students will focus on reading, writing, speaking and understanding.

The Hebrew program is divided into 3 separate courses, beginners, intermediate and advanced. Each course is divided into separate lessons each with accompanying age-appropriate activities. To engage the students and make their learning more meaningful, we teach vocabulary relevant to students’ everyday life.

In High School, we base our Hebrew program on the new K-10 NESA (NSW Educational Standards Authority) Modern Hebrew syllabus which prepares students for the HSC. Students are able to select Modern (and Classical) Hebrew as an HSC subject in Year 11 even if their schools do not offer these subjects.

HEBREW OUTCOMES

Beginners Course

The beginners course will introduce students to the Aleph-Bet and to basic common words and phrases. Students will be able to respond to simple questions and participate in brief conversations.

Listening and responding	Recognise simple Hebrew words within their environment presented by visual clues.
Speaking Spoken interaction	Answer ‘yes’ or ‘no’ to simple questions prompted by visual clues. Respond to questions using basic Hebrew words
Reading	Recognise the sounds of the letters
Writing	Able to write the letters of the Aleph-Bet.

Intermediate Course

The intermediate course is designed for students who can already identify the Hebrew letters but need further support reading and conversing. It will focus on vowel recognition and build on their vocabulary from the beginners’ program. Students will further develop their confidence to be able to read and respond to texts and questions and participate in more complex conversations.

Listening and responding	Demonstrate knowledge of previously learned vocabulary. Learn new vocabulary to be used in everyday conversations
Speaking Spoken interaction	Recognise and respond with at least one word, building to short phrases, in Hebrew concerning everyday situations.
Reading	Recognise the sounds of all Hebrew letters combined with some vowels.
Writing	Able to add vowels to square letters upon hearing their pronunciation.

Advanced Course

The advanced course is designed for students who can read and understand (at an appropriate level). Students will continue to build on their knowledge and skills and gain confidence to participate in more sophisticated conversations. Students also have the opportunity to participate in 2 competitions, a JNF writing competition and the Linguafest short film competition.

Listening and responding	Understand and respond to verbal instructions based upon previously learned vocabulary Expand on their vocabulary.
Speaking Spoken interaction	Interact with others in short conversations concerning everyday situations.
Reading	Able to read and translate simple Hebrew texts
Writing	Recognise and match Hebrew square letters with their cursive counterparts. Write phrases, sentences and short paragraphs