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NLPJC Newsletter

North London Progressive Jewish Community



NLPJC events....

• March 20th Service

This Shabbat morning Service & children's events will be held at a local member's home: please ring Rabbi Shulamit on 020 7403 3779 or email Julia at

nlpic@liberaljudaism.org for details

• Mock Seder

We are holding a 'Mock seder' for children and their families on **Sunday 28th March at 3.30pm at the Community Rooms**. This is an opportunity for children and their families to learn about the seder and sing the seder songs. Please let us know if you are coming by midday Friday 26th March.

Cost to non-members: £5 per family

• Yom Hashoah Supper

We will be marking Yom Hashoah, Holocaust Remembrance day, with a **supper on Sunday 11th April** at a local member's home: please ring Rabbi Shulamit on 020 7403 3779 or email Julia at

nlpic@liberaljudaism.org for details

• AGM and dinner at RASA

Join us on **Sunday 25th April ~ 6.30pm AGM** at the Community Rooms followed by **supper at 8pm** at Indian restaurant RASA on Church Street (cost: around £12-£15). Details coming to you soon

• Lag B'Omer Picnic

Lag B'Omer is a festival traditionally associated with a day of outdoor rejoicing and picnics. Join us for a **spring picnic in Clissold Park at 1pm after the service on Saturday 1st May**. Please bring food and games to share.

• Shavuot Evening

Tuesday 18th May at 7pm – exciting programme to be announced....

• LJ Inter-Synagogue Quiz

We are looking for interested people to form this year's NLPJC quiz team for the annual LJ quiz on **Sunday 6th June at 3pm**. You don't have to be an expert in anything ~ it is just a lot of fun. Please let Julia know if you would like to be part of the team:

nlpic@liberaljudaism.org / 020 7403 3779

See our website at www.nlpjc.org.uk

A Change is Gonna Come.....

Sometimes changes happen quickly and sometimes the pace of change is very slow. We can work for change for years and then see the landscape happen over night. Some changes are so important that we can barely assess their impact unless there is a chance to step back and watch the outcome over the years.

An important change has happened. Towards the end of December last year the Supreme Court gave its ruling on the JFS case.

JFS, or Jews' Free School, is an Anglo-Jewish institution that around 50 years ago essentially handed over its admissions criteria to the Office of the Chief Rabbi, meaning that any child who wanted to gain a place at the school would have to be able to prove their Jewish status according to the rabbinical court, or Bet Din, of the United Synagogue. The school itself never made these decisions, but rather accepted the advice of the Chief Rabbi's Office on each applicant. This situation was an unhappy one, and was challenged repeatedly by families whose children could not gain a place.

There were children whose parents had converted to Judaism through one of the non-Orthodox movements, and even families who had

had an Orthodox conversion in Israel, but whose conversion had been revoked or challenged by the famously strict London Bet Din. Sadly these issues were never resolved, despite protests within the Orthodox communities themselves, at times, and the families were forced to look for help elsewhere.

Two young people were luckily able to appeal against the decision to deny them a place. This process took them through the Court of Appeal and finally to the Supreme Court, who found that there had been both indirect and direct discrimination against them, in contravention of the Race Relations Act. This means that the Court clarified that it is illegal for a State school to require applicants to show descent from a Jewish mother, as this is considered to be a measure of ethnicity. JFS and the other Jewish State Schools must now ask for evidence of Jewish involvement and commitment.

This important decision has an impact on us all. Jewish education should now be open to those who want it, especially as JCOSS, a new cross communal secondary school opens in Barnet this September. But more importantly, perhaps, is the

psychological shift. A place in a Jewish school is no longer a carrot or a stick, to force some of the Jewish community to marry in and become members of just one kind of synagogue. The claim that Orthodoxy is, for Anglo Jews, the 'normative' kind of Judaism was never true, but the difference is that without its gate keeper role we are clearly now more equal. We are forced to define our differences, and to celebrate them.

So what does this mean for us? Let's celebrate our difference. Birth is only one way of becoming part of the Jewish people, but we are Jews because we *are* through our activity and our interest. Let's celebrate secularity as well as spirituality. Let's celebrate being part of this fresh wind of change, of our continuous participation in a tradition that is only here because WE NEVER DID STAND STILL, and because flexibility and change are the very essence of our spirit. We have always been proud of our diversity, but I think its time to shout it from the roof tops. A change is very truly gonna come...

Rabbi Shulamit Ambalu

From Seville to Salonica....

Sunday 4th July ~ afternoon

At the Community Rooms & Rectory Gardens

A concert of Sefardi Music and Story Telling with

Sef Townsend and Rebekka Wedell,

Plus, fantastic Middle Eastern cookery workshop on the morning

of the 4th with Rabbi Shulamit to prepare a Sefardi Buffet for this event.

Save the date! Details to follow in next newsletter...


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My Jewish Journey ~ a eulogy to Eugenie Behr

This is in memory of my grandmother Eugenie Behr, a remarkable woman who died 40 years ago this month, and here I am wearing her wedding ring. She was one of 9 children, born in Dvinsk, near Minsk in Russia. Her family came to Belgium when she was young and they settled in Antwerp. When she left school she took the highly unusual step of returning to Russia, to join her married sister who had stayed there. One of the first women to go to university there, she studied dentistry and had just graduated when the Russian Revolution broke out. She chose to join the Red Army and became a nurse. She was a friend of Trotsky, she said he was a nice man but she didn't like his politics. My uncle says they had an affair, but his older brother, my father, says she always denied it.

In 1921 her brother came and got her out of there and brought her to Paris where he introduced her to his best friend, Felix Behr. They promptly fell in love, married in Antwerp and settled in Paris. They had two sons, George and Edward but tragically my grandfather was wounded in an accident in a taxi and died while his sons were young. So my grandmother brought them up herself with the help of a nanny in 1930s Paris, until it was not safe to remain. Family legend says she took a taxi to the coast with her two young sons, leaving one side of Paris as the Nazis came in the other.

Her husband was also of Russian origin, though naturalized British and the boys had been registered as British at birth at the British Embassy. So they all settled in London, the boys went to school and at 18 had the choice of British or French nationality. They both chose British and duly went into the British army. My uncle subsequently became a journalist and Edward Behr was famous as an author and foreign correspondent for many years. He started in Hong Kong for Newsweek and then Algeria, where he wrote his first book, "The Algerian problem". His autobiography "Anyone here been raped and speak English?" also published as "Bearings" tells of an exciting life in many countries. Wherever there was a war or trouble, there he was.

Meanwhile my father went into accountancy and settled in London, marrying my mother Judith, a pharmacist and having 2 daughters, Shirley and Alison.

Tragically my mother's cancer was misdiagnosed until it was too late and she died when I was only a toddler. My mother's mother took my sister and my father's mother, Eugenie Behr, took me. She was back working as a dentist by that time, having re-qualified in post-war London. Nanny came to help again, looking after me while my grandmother was at work until she was too ill to continue. My sister Shirley came to join us and we lived in Rayners Lane very close to my father.

He remarried in 1969 when I was 10 and my grandmother died shortly afterwards. I was suddenly catapulted into a proper Jewish home with 2 parents. My grandmother refused to keep kosher or Shabbat or bring me up Jewish in any way, though my sister still went to Pinner United Synagogue with my father. I remember going to aunts and uncles for the Passover Seder but that is all, apart from what my sister told me, which my grandmother told me to ignore. So at age 11 we kept kosher and I went to cheder for the first time. Batmitzvah did not yet exist in the United Synagogue so I left cheder again after 2 years. They were trying to get me to go twice a week, which my father thought was too much, since I was by then at grammar school.

When I left home to do a degree in librarianship I stopped going to Orthodox synagogues where I always felt like a spectator. The first time I went to the Settlement Synagogue I cried, I was so moved to see women in the choir, sitting and worshipping with men. I was living in Mille End, quite near to Stepney but I moved to Tufnell Park and they merged with another synagogue in Redbridge. There must be something closer I said to myself and found Rabbi Marcia Plumb at the North London Progressive Synagogue. They welcomed me and believed my story that my parents were married at a United Synagogue which didn't exist anymore. I was wrong, they were married at the New West End synagogue in Bayswater, the fashionable synagogue of their day.

So I became a member and then a librarian at NLPS and then on Council and finally Secretary. But most Progressive Jews had left Stamford Hill and NLPS

closed and NLPJC started. I was proud to be a founder and delighted to introduce Marc Turner to the community and to be married underneath its auspices, though in Northwood and Pinner, close to my father, now somewhat frail. My stepmother died a few years ago but my sister has celebrated her silver wedding anniversary, so the story goes on. Next step, honeymoon in Israel.

Alison Turner

NLPJC Members News

A warm welcome to our new members:

- ❖ Karen Glass & Toby Reynolds
- ❖ Nogah Ofer, Clifford Singer & their children Tamar & Eve
- ❖ Neil Levine, fiancé of our member Ruth Whippman
- ❖ Sue Wheat ~ Michael Lomotey's partner and Yeshaya and Kesia's mum!

- ❖ Congratulations to Davina Good, the 100 club winner in the December draw.

Condolences

Our thoughts are with the families and friends of our member, Maurice Conway, who sadly passed away on 23rd December last year aged 85.

In the event of the death of an NLPJC member, please contact the Funeral Directors M.M. Broad & Son (NB: Change of number) 020 8445 2797 and Rabbi Shulamit Ambalu on 020 7403 3779.

Adult Learning ~ Talmud Class

Tuesday evenings 23rd Feb – 23rd March

8 – 9.30pm with Rabbi Shulamit



The **Talmud class** will, for the very first time at NLPJC, learn to work its way, page by page, through the Talmud. We will study Tractate *Berachot*. This class is open to people with any level of Hebrew or none at all, and with any level of experience in textual study. We will work with the original languages of the Talmud together with a translation.

For more details, visit our website www.nlpjc.org, email Julia at nlpjc@liberaljudaism.org or telephone Rabbi Shulamit Ambalu on 020 7403 3779.

Venue: The Community Rooms at St. Mary's.

Cost per week: Members £5 (Unwaged £2.50); Non-Members £7.50 (Unwaged £3.75)

Tu b'Shvat Thanks

From Vicky Millan:

This is just a short note to thank [Jyll and Cedar] for organising such a wonderful and meaningful Tu b'shvat seder on Friday evening. You must have spent an immense amount of time preparing for this. The flowers were absolutely beautiful and their scent remains with me! The pot luck supper afterwards was delicious and I enjoyed the company of all present. Although the weather has been cold and gloomy recently, I felt the evening was spiritually uplifting. Once again, many thanks for pulling together such a lovely event.

From Jyll & Cedar:

Thanks so much for this - such kind words make all work worthwhile! THANK YOU for your contribution too; for helping set up and buying the beautiful chollahs. It was a special evening all round!

Pesach

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Tuesday 30th March at 7pm



New Haggadah!

The new Liberal Judaism Haggadah has all the traditional elements of the service, and the opportunity to supplement these with additional study passages, poems, songs and readings. For families with younger children, a shorter, child-centred version of the Seder can be found at the other end of the Haggadah. We will have copies of the Haggadah for everyone to use at the Communal seder. If you would like to buy your own for home, (£7.50 per copy + £1.50 p&p per copy) please contact Liberal Judaism directly on 020 7631 9822 / s.o'dwyer@liberaljudaism.org

Dear Members, Supporting Friends & Visitors,

We are delighted to welcome you to our communal Pesach Seder, which is taking place on **Tuesday 30th March at 7pm, at the Community Centre, 3 – 5 Defoe Road, N16 0EP**. This will be a wonderful opportunity to experience a lively, inspiring and very enjoyable Seder, with a welcoming and friendly atmosphere. If you've never been to a Pesach Seder before, or haven't been to one in a while, we promise you a very warm welcome and a great experience.

As well as yourselves, please bring some food for the Seder meal for both you and others. We welcome any food that is vegetarian, vegan, dairy or fish (no seafood), but no meat, please. In our community, we follow Sephardi custom in allowing beans and rice, but would ask you to label any dishes which contain these ingredients, so that those preferring to follow Ashkenazi custom can easily do so. Please don't bring anything which has hametz or leavened foods: that is any derivative of wheat, oats, barley, spelt and rye. This includes both alcohols and vinegars or other grain-derived condiments.

To help sustain the community, we ask you to make a donation as outlined below. This donation goes towards the rent, the wine and other essentials for the Seder. We have had to increase the adult tickets prices a little this year in order to cover some of the costs of the wonderful new Liberal Judaism Haggadot for the community, for everyone to use.

Members/Affiliates & Supporting Friends:	£18 (Unwaged: £ 7.50)	Children: free
Visitors	£25 (Unwaged: £ 12)	Children: £3 each

SEAT APPLICATIONS: As you might imagine, it makes it much easier for us to organise a lovely Seder if we know how many people will be with us, and if we don't have to deal with payment on the night. So please help us, and let us know that you're coming by completing and detaching the form below, and sending it with payment to **NLPJC, PO Box 42702, London N19 5WR by Tuesday 16th March at the latest** – that way we can make sure that we have a place for you, and can send / email your ticket to you in advance

I very much hope that you will be able to join us.

CLAIRE HELMAN Hon. Secretary

NAME..... I am a Member or Affiliate / Supporting Friend / Visitor (circle)
 Address.....
 Tel/email.....
 Number attending: Adults..... Children.....
 I will bring a savoury dish / salad /dessert /other..... (please circle / specify)

I am waged/unwaged (delete as appropriate) and enclose a ticket donation for £.....
 (Please make cheques payable to NLPJC)

I am a UK tax payer and would like to Gift Aid this donation (please tick box)

I understand that to qualify for Gift Aid, what I pay in Income Tax/Capital Gains must at least equal the amount the charity will claim in the tax year (28p for every £1 donated)

**Please return this reply slip to NLPJC, PO Box 42702, London N19 5WR
 with payment by Tuesday 16th March at the latest
 so that we can ensure that we have a place for you. Thank you**

Cheder Corner

In **Cheder** our theme this year is “Jewish Journeys”, that is, how families in the community reached England from wherever they started. Having found out from where most families started (although there are some still outstanding – hint hint!) we looked at the world map and found the countries. Not unsurprisingly, many were from Eastern Europe – Greater Russia as was, Czechoslovakia as was, Poland, Lithuania and Germany. (Of course, Greater Russia had very porous borders. There’s the old joke about a woman who wakes up one morning on the Russia/Poland border, and says to her son “Tell me, son. Where are we today? Are we in Poland or Russia?” The son replies “I think we’re in Poland, Mum.” The woman replies “Thank goodness – I couldn’t take another Russian winter.”) Other families are from the Near East, and one from Ghana.

We are looking at the history of Jews in each of these countries, ending the family stories usually before 1914, when most families arrived. One family – that of Maya Lukes – came here during the Kindertransport, and Maya’s Grandmother, Sue Lukes, talked about her father’s experiences.

By the law of unintended consequences, though, much of what we have been discussing is why families were forced to leave – and many of the stories by their nature show the prejudice and worse against Jews in other countries. Many of the Cheder children have incorporated these stories into their wider experience, and have really taken to drawing pictures of Cossacks rampaging through Jewish areas!

Some of the children are not so familiar with the stories of prejudice against Jews as are others. And all of the Cheder children are being exposed to history that may be new to them. Many children have begun asking important and penetrating questions, and may possibly find some of the discussion difficult to absorb. I hope parents will make the time to discuss these issues when the Cheder students bring questions home.

Those parents who came to the discussion in January on talking about the holocaust with our children will have some ideas about how to deal with sensitive issues, but here I want to make clear that we are NOT discussing the Holocaust this year at all. We are discussing family stories and choices as part of Jewish history.

Since our lovely Yasmin is not here to report on **Hebrew**, I am taking the liberty of reporting for her. At our last Cheder session, Shulamit had the idea of dividing the group into two. The older and more experienced (in Hebrew) Cheder students worked with Shulamit, reading passages in Hebrew and being stretched in their learning. The younger students were with Nogah Ofer, one of our newer Mums. This division seemed to work very well indeed; the older students were able to progress in reading while the younger are still learning the basics. We have decided that this division will continue when Yasmin returns, as it seems to be beneficial to all students.

We look forward to a time when it might be possible to divide the Cheder into two

groups as well. This would also be beneficial to all of the children, as the teacher of the older students will be able to concentrate on issues that are of interest to them, and the younger ones could concentrate on learning more about how Liberal Judaism works.

I have asked all of the students, when they **read books**, to write out a review for other students, and Rachel Sklair took me at my word and brought in three, one of which is below. I included this book review because it fits with our theme this year, but also has resonances for a modern issue, that of refugees.

I would like to have a file of book reviews for incoming students who might like to read a book but aren’t sure – so please encourage your children to write something for me when they read a book. It doesn’t take too much time (Rachel’s is a perfect example), and it’s very interesting for others.

I have also been reading, as usual, and have found two books on the same subject which give totally different pictures of the same person. One is called “The King David Report” by Stefan Heym, which describes the life of a minor scribe, under constant scrutiny and in fear of his life, ordered to find out about King David so that an official report can be written. What he actually finds, and how the official report changes what he says, makes for fascinating reading. And also makes you wonder when politicians talk about “The Official Report” what the underlying facts were.

And now I am reading a novel about King David, called (oddly enough) “King David” by Allan Massie, which tells a totally different story. I am always astonished at how writers can give a reader completely different pictures of the same person or phenomena. And the conclusion I draw is that we must all read with a critical eye.

My favourite week of the year, Jewish Book Week, this year is from 27th February to 7th March. If this newsletter reaches you in time....there are some lovely looking sessions for both adults and children. **Sunday 7 March** is “Little Bookniks” day and there is a series of interactive sessions for children of all ages. And did you know that there were Jewish pirates in Jamaica around 1655? A session on the same day as the Little Bookniks argues that the readmission of the Jews to England was at least partially based on the role of Jewish merchants in the conquest of Jamaica. Now this one I am going to... Find out about them all on www.jewishbookweek.com.

Dr Laura Miller

Cheder / Crèche Camping Trip ~ 24th July weekend

We plan to spend Saturday night on a site near Ramsgate. Lots of fun and Jewish interest with its Montefiore connection.

Contact Anna or Liz at nlpjc@liberaljudaism.org for more details

This is open to all NLPJC cheder and crèche children.

BOOK REVIEW by Rachel Sklair

When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr

Story: This story is about a young girl who becomes a refugee after being forced out of the country by the Nazis. It tells the life of her family and how they cope moving from country to country in their big adventure.

Comment: It was amazing! I loved seeing the way she changed throughout the book. I like the way she refers to the journey as a big adventure. The story is well put together and you really understand what it is like to be a refugee.

Recommend: I would recommend this book to people 8+.

Bar or Bat mitzvah

Are you around 11 years old, and thinking about a bar or bat mitzvah? Thirteen may seem to be a long way away, but now is the time to start thinking ahead, as you will need to come to cheder for two years before the day of your *bar* or *bat mitzvah*. This is so that you can be and feel a real part of our community, and so that the service makes sense to you. As well as cheder attendance, you will also need to come to services at Shabbat and festivals. It’s a really big commitment, and very worthwhile. If you or your parents have any questions, please call Rabbi Shulamit on 020 7403 3779 or email her at nlpjc@liberaljudaism.org

Kabbalat Torah Trip Jewish Amsterdam, 23rd- 25th July

Any young people who are aged between 14 and 15 and have attended Cheder at NLPJC or elsewhere can apply to join a fantastic trip to mark Kabbalat Torah, at the age of 15. The trip this year will include young people from our synagogue plus two or three other Liberal Communities.

The group will be led by rabbis from the synagogues plus experienced local guides. We will fly out on Friday morning 23rd July (last day of term) and return on the evening of the 25th. The group will visit the Anne Frank House, the Amsterdam Jewish Historical Museum and a local synagogue as well as other places of interest. The cost will be in the region of £240-£260. If you are interested please let Julia know straight away as we need to confirm bookings as soon as possible: 020 7403 3779 / nlpjc@liberaljudaism.org

Birth and Beyond

Welcoming our Smallest Members – Celebrating our New Babies and Toddlers on May 15th

Another NLPJC first – a welcoming ceremony for all the new children born into the community in the last couple of years. This special event takes place during the Shabbat morning service on May 15th, and will be followed by a special kiddush.

If you are either a member or you are planning to join us, and have had or will have a new baby in your family in the next few months, please contact Rabbi Shulamit to help her plan the ceremony on the day. She will need to talk to anyone taking part in advance of the day, so please don't forget to get in touch: 020 7403 3779 / nlpic@liberaljudaism.org

Young People's Group

We are setting up a group for the older children / secondary school aged young people in our community. The shape of the group is very much up to them and will be a space to socialize, discuss, plan and do fun events.

We start with a Pizza Get Together on **20th March** after the service for everyone who wants to meet up and share ideas.

Please contact Haggid on nlpic@liberaljudaism.org if you are interested.

Secondary School Applications

Any school students applying to Jewish Secondary schools may need to show that they have attended synagogue a certain number of times over the year. Please contact us to discuss this in good time, so that you can be sure you have fulfilled the criteria.

Celebrating Chanukah at NLPJC



Alison Turner's Dvar Torah

My text for today is Exodus chapter 18 verses 13 to 26. Moses has a visit from his father-in-law Jethro who sees him acting as a magistrate, the only one. Jethro says to him "The thing you are doing is not right, you will surely wear yourself out, and these people as well. For the task is too heavy for you: you cannot do it alone. ... You shall seek out from among all the people capable men who fear God, trustworthy men who spurn ill-gotten gain."

This is a lesson for all of us in this community, you cannot do it alone. I have had to learn this lesson myself, I cannot work and volunteer in 3 different jobs while doing justice to my new husband and my ailing father. I do not find time for myself and my cats and I do not have the energy for it all. So I stood down from the management committee while continuing as a warden. I am capable of committing to an immediate short-time need of a service while not joining or staying on a committee which has a long-term and continuous basis.

As a founder of this community, I am delighted to find that new people have come forward to join the management group and serve as officers. As a small community, I think it is particularly important that everyone plays a part, that we all take a share of the work. I commend to you Jethro's advice - find capable people who can be trusted and do your tasks that it may not be a burden on any of us. So may we continue in strength, health and prosperity, growing and sharing all the time.

6th February 2010



Westlon Housing Association

Sheltered Accommodation

Westlon is a Jewish Housing Association founded by members of the West London Synagogue.

We have vacancies in our friendly, comfortable warden-assisted sheltered housing for Jewish people aged 55 and over, in East Finchley and Hendon.

We provide 24-hour warden support, 7 days a week, a residents' lounge and kitchen, laundry, a sunny patio and garden.

For further details and application forms, please contact Westlon Housing Association on 0208 201 8484 or email johnsilverman@btconnect.com

NLPJC 'Who's Who'

All officers and chair can be contacted at nlpic@liberaljudaism.org or by post to PO Box 42702 London N19 5WR

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Senior Warden: Joanna Ryam
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If you are a member of NLPJC and are interested in joining one of the groups, or would like to fill one of the vacant roles, we would be delighted to hear from you.

NLPJC events calendar

March – May 2010

Most events are held at *the Community Rooms adjacent to St. Mary's Church, Spensley Walk, Stoke Newington Church Street, London N16 9ES*, unless otherwise stated

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Tuesdays in March 2 nd , 9 th , 16 th , 23 rd	8pm	Adult Learning Programme (<i>see pg 2</i>)	
Saturday 6 th March	10am / 10am 10.40am / 10.50am 11am	Torah Breakfast / Children's Hebrew Kol b'yachad service for children / Cheder & Crèche Shabbat Service and a special welcome to the Lomotey family	
Saturday 20 th March	From 10am	Service and Children's events to be held at a member's home (<i>see front page for details</i>)	
Sunday 28 th March	3.30pm	Mock Seder for children & their families (<i>see front page</i>)	
Tuesday 30 th March	7pm	PESACH ~ 2 nd Night Seder at Defoe Road Community Centre 3 - 5 Defoe Rd N16 0EP (<i>see page 3</i>)	

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 :: Tuesdays 20th April to 20th July ~ new adult learning programme ~ see enclosed flyer for details ::

Saturday 3 rd April	10am 10.40am 11am	Torah Breakfast Kol b'yachad service for children; no cheder or crèche but toys Shabbat Service available	
Sunday 11 th April	7.30pm (tbc)	EREV YOM HASHOAH ~ supper and service to be held at a member's home (<i>see front page for details</i>)	
Saturday 17 th April	10am 10.40am 11am	Torah Breakfast Kol b'yachad service for children; no cheder or crèche but toys Shabbat Service available	
Friday 23 rd April	7.15pm / 8pm	Erev Shabbat Service / Supper & Event tba	
Sunday 25 th April	6.30pm / 8pm	AGM at Community Rooms followed by Indian meal at RASA	

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Saturday 1 st May	10am / 10am 10.40am / 10.50am 11am	Torah Breakfast / Children's Hebrew Kol b'yachad service for children / Cheder & Crèche Shabbat Service followed by picnic in the park for Lag B'Omer (<i>see front page</i>)	
Saturday 15 th May	10am / 10am 10.40am 11am	Torah Breakfast / Children's Hebrew Kol b'yachad service for children / Cheder – no crèche but toys Special Shabbat Service available <i>Welcoming & celebrating our new babies & toddlers in the community</i> (<i>see page 5</i>)	
Tuesday 18 th May	7pm	SHAVUOT ~ <i>details coming soon....</i>	
Friday 28 th May	7.15pm / 8pm	Erev Shabbat Service / Supper & Event tba	

Dates for your diary..... 4th July ~ Middle Eastern Cookery Workshop, Sefardi Music & Story Telling (*see front page*)

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