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North London Progressive Jewish Community



NLPJC events....

• Purim Party

Come and celebrate a Purim 'happening' with us on **Sunday 20th March 2pm - 5pm at the Community Rooms**. A reading, a scroll, creative activities, music and the chance to boo and stamp your feet ~ and lots of dressing up please! So come along and have some fun. Everyone is welcome, adults and children. Please bring veggie snacks to share. Non-members: £5 per family / £3 concs

• Mock Seder

Join us on **Saturday 16th April from 10am -11am** (before the service) for a mock seder, for both children and adults to learn about the basics of how to enjoy your seder at home. This will be led by Rabbi Shulamit and the children of our cheder.

• Pesach ~ 2nd Night Seder

Tuesday 19th April 6.30pm ~ See page 4 for ticket application form.

• Yom Hashoah Evening

Saturday 30th April – see page 5

• Our Exciting Spring Adult Learning Programme

Starts 8th March ~ see page 2

• AGM & Supper

Sunday 15th May at 6.30pm at the Community Rooms followed **at 8pm by a social meal** at a local restaurant ~ everyone welcome. More details coming soon....

• Lag B'Omer Picnic

Join us on **Saturday 21st May** for a very special Shabbat led by members of NLPJC who have graduated from the Liberal Judaism Ba'al Tefillah (Service leaders) course, followed by a Community **Lag B'Omer Picnic in Clissold Park**. Bring food, blankets and games to share. See calendar on back page.

Thinking of joining us?

Why not do it now? We offer a pro-rata system for anyone joining throughout the year. You can contact our administrator, Julia Chalfen, at nlpjc@liberaljudaism.org for a membership pack or phone Rabbi Shulamit Ambalu on 020 7403 3779 to discuss membership options.

See our website at www.nlpjc.org.uk

Learning from difficult times

I am writing this article in the middle of February, and by the time you see it we will be in the month of March. We see around us the signs of spring, longer days and tips of future flowering daffodil and crocus pushing their way up.

But there are difficult times to come. Quite a few of us have been made redundant. Members who depend on different kinds of social care are seeing their support packages cut. More disabled members are not able to go out as much, and will have trouble even getting to us as it won't be something they can really afford.

All of us are probably thinking about the money we spend, and the necessary changes we can make to keep afloat.

In this short article I want to bring together three seemingly unrelated but important experiences.

The first I have already mentioned, the beginning of a time of more intense economic and social stress.

The second seems to have no apparent connection. Here it is. We are a lovely and thriving community, with lots of people coming to Shabbat and festival services. Our cheder is growing fast, having moved from one all-ages class to a complex

morning where we teach to children grouped either according to age or stage, using every available corner of space. But here is the mystery. Where are the boys?

Anyone coming to cheder will be struck by the larger number of girls. A careful analysis reveals a very interesting set of patterns. I won't discuss it here, as I think it is a bit too complex. But I will say this. Part, and only part of the issue, seems to be about how we give our children choices. We are far more committed than *our* parents were to empowering our children. But when we give them power we risk teaching the hidden message that they are the consumer. That the synagogue is an 'activity', on a par with any other. A place to take away a skill or an experience, and not to learn about commitment.

And here is my third experience. We have been working over the past few years towards joining the relevant grouping of London Citizens. We as a community are now enrolled as founding Members of North London Citizens. This past week two

of us went along to the founding strategy meeting, where we met with members of churches, mosques, synagogues and schools. Part of this commitment is about building local networks. Playing our part, as a

grassroots organization, in bringing about real, actual social change.

Looking around that room, and being welcomed as representatives of a Jewish community, made me see quite explicitly what we in particular have to bring.

I think that our success must also be played out in our inter-communal relationships. And that means, our achievements in general, as Jews, and our modest success in developing a thriving local Jewish community. So here is how it all comes together.

Some of us are part of NLPJC for our own personal sakes. Because we are seeking relationships or a sense of spirituality. Others are driven by a connection to peoplehood. But I challenge you to do it for the sake of others. Bring your boys to cheder. Get them to look beyond their own interests to the worlds around them. Get personally involved in our work in collaboration with other local communities, where we can offer a more varied Jewish perspective on becoming empowered citizens. And approach our community as members, not consumers. Because while consumers have choice, there are lots of people out there who have hardly any choices. We all depend on each other, but at this time more than any other, we will need to reach out to make sure that nobody is left behind.

Rabbi Shulamit Ambalu



Playing the Dreidel game at Chanukah

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NLPJC is a constituent congregation of Liberal Judaism

Welcoming Rabbi Ada



March 15th and 19th will see NLPJC play host to Rabbi Ada Zavidov (left) of Kehilat Har-EI Reform Synagogue in Jerusalem. As an enthusiastic member of both NLPJC and Har-EI, I thought that getting the two communities acquainted with each other would be a mutually beneficial experience.

During the adult education session on Tuesday evening, March 15, Rabbi Ada will speak about the Purim story in Israel and the Diaspora. She will address how the Scroll of Esther may resonate differently outside of Israel, especially among progressive Jewish communities, and will look at selected excerpts which are often omitted. Feminist elements inherent in the story will also be discussed. She looks forward to an interactive session, which will present the potential to tackle both textual as well as wider-ranging political issues.

On Shabbat morning, March 19, Rabbi Ada will join Rabbi Shulamit and NLPJC for Tefillah. She will have the opportunity to see our community in action, and will be arriving early in order to observe and meet the Children's Hebrew class,

Teenage Texts Hebrew class and Adult Study Group. Afterwards she will join us for our service, where she will deliver the D'var Torah.

Rabbi Ada is the founding rabbi of Tzur Hadassah Reform Congregation and in February 2004 became the first woman to serve a congregation in Jerusalem, when she was appointed rabbi of Kehilat Har-EI, the founding congregation (1958) of the Reform Movement in Israel.

Rabbi Ada grew up in a family full of very diverse political ideologies. Her parents – Mapai supporters with socialist ideals – were involved in the Kibbutz and Labour Zionist movements. One uncle was personal assistant and later Chief of Staff for Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, while another is a well-known television journalist. Her grandfather, Dr. Abba Achimeir, gained notoriety as the leading ideologue of the Maximalist arm of Ze'ev Jabotinsky's Revisionist movement, and in 1934 was one of three men falsely accused of the murder of Mapai leader Chaim Arlosoroff (for which he was later acquitted).

In spite of so much diversity (or perhaps because of it!), Rabbi Ada has managed to develop a personal philosophy which is at once individualistic, Jewish, Israeli, Zionist, and Humanistic.

It would be great if we could welcome Rabbi Ada with a full house for both events, and give her a taste of all the wonderful things that we achieve here at NLPJC.

Peter Bergamin

Learning with NLPJC ~ Tuesday evenings in Spring

7-8pm

Hebrew Improvers Course – for anyone who can already read Hebrew

March 8th : Texts about Purim

March 15th: Purim Texts II

March 22nd: Hebrew for understanding and leading the Pesach Seder

April 5th : Hebrew texts and Pesach II

8.10 – 9.30pm

Writing our own book

Ever open the siddur hoping to find something which helps you face a difficult situation, but found the thing you were looking for was not there? In this 4 session course we will lay the ground work for our own community book of prayers, readings and responses to life's most difficult problems. Everyone welcome, regardless

of Hebrew level or previous study. We will study a selection of texts that reflect on the week's topics, in Hebrew and with English translations.

March 8th : Revenge

March 15th: Rabbi Ada Zavidov (see article above) on the Purim story in Israel and the Diaspora

March 22nd: Anger

April 5th : Liberation

Each session will link with the Hebrew Improver's class of the same evening, and anyone who can already read Hebrew is welcome to attend both.

Please let us know if you are interested in any of the above classes by email: nlpjc@liberaljudaism.org or phone Rabbi Shulamit Ambalu on 0207 403 3779

Costs per session:

Members of NLPJC

£10 / £5 concs

Non-Members

£15 / £7.50 concs

(Both sessions per evening = 2 x above)



Beginner's Hebrew:

Please note, there will be a Beginner's Hebrew course, starting at 6pm, if there is enough interest. Please call Rabbi Shulamit.

Coming in May:

Three Introductory level evenings, looking at the Spring / Summer festivals and their place in history: May 10 Yom Ha-Atzmaut, Israel and Liberal Jews today; May 17 Lag B'Omer - introduction to Rabbinic Judaism; May 24 Shavuot- Ancient Israel in the time of the Bible.

We all like to learn!

About a month ago, NLPJC children, young people and adults all got together for a short, noisy but very productive conversation about our community services. After a quiet start – it's amazing the number of NLPJC members you can fit into the kitchen next door – we discovered that children and adults have lots in common and lots to say.

❖ We all like singing! Some of us want to be taught the words to some Hebrew songs and would like transliterations too. Others are keen to teach.

❖ We like our community! It's inclusive and informal; it means tea in the kitchen, toys in the creche, time to hang out and chat or a quick trip to the park. *"I always leave here feeling better than when I arrive!"*

❖ We like our rabbi! And we like the way our rabbi gets us involved. Some people would like to see the children do more in the services. Other people like it when families take part in services together and enjoy special ceremonies like baby namings.

❖ Some things are hard to reconcile. Like children saying that they don't like the *"sad things"* in services and adults saying that space and time for quiet reflection during a service is an important part of their week.

❖ We all get a bit frustrated if there is a lot of stuff in the service that we don't understand eg. long prayers in Hebrew or a difficult Torah portion.

BUT

❖ We all like to learn – songs, prayers, readings! Some of us want to learn through role-plays and games; others through study or discussion. And some people just like the idea of varying the format of services from time to time.

So how can we help everyone join in with Hebrew prayers and songs? Some practical suggestions that people made:

Family and community services should last between 45 minutes and an hour; If services are short, then maybe our young people can be expected not to walk in and out (parents and small children will of course need to do so sometimes); Provide transliterations of key prayers and songs; Teach prayers and songs in Cheder and in the services; Have people bring food to share after Kiddush more often.

I think this was an incredibly positive discussion to have, because what it revealed was a community with a very strong identity, that wants to do more of the same and is enthusiastic about learning. I think it also indicates that the community has strong, confident leadership which is a great gift.

Leila Baker

My Jewish Journey by Jeremy Rubel



Jeremy with his fiancée, Krisztina

“What did the Jews do to us?”
“But Didier you’re Jewish”.

This is how my dad, at 11 or 12 years old learnt from his grandmother that he was a Jew. It didn’t mean much to him at the time besides realizing that he was different.

My dad was raised by his grandmother as both his parents died in 1947, killed by a car when he was only two. Her family came from a well educated and longtime assimilated French Alsatian background; for them as for many French Jews from the beginning of the 20th century, being Jewish was more a social condition than a spiritual journey through a religious community life.

The trauma of the Second World War reinforced within this old generation the idea that their religion, if not dangerous, was not necessary.

So everything began with the questioning and access to knowledge which led my dad on the path of building his own Jewish identity. He later met in school his best friend, Bernard, whose Jewish family took my dad under its wing inviting him home, and giving him his first understanding of a Jewish life. He then met my mom in the French national Jewish student association as both were looking towards building a Jewish foyer.

Born in Constantine in Algeria my mom’s roots in Africa could be as old as the Spanish “reconquista” but even much older as Jewish communities were living in this region much before the Muslim colonization. She lost her dad from a stroke while she was only 6, and was raised by my self-made grandmother who never remarried to stay independent. She devoted her life to her 2 daughters, making a living from her small clothes retail shop in Paris.

After the Jews were forced by the Muslims to leave Algeria in the ‘60s, my grandmother’s parents who spoke little French (mainly Arabic) came to live with them. In those Sephardim communities only the men were involved in the religion so my mom and my grandmother had very little religious education besides the women’s duties for some festivals such as Pesach.

My brother and I were raised with Pesach and Yom Kippur being the two most important religious events in our Jewish life. Being the youngest among all my cousins,

I was always the one asking the questions during Pesach’s Seder. This aspect of Judaism is still today at the foundation of my faith. Growing up I noticed that the sacred texts such as the Talmud encouraged questioning and allowed a wide range of interpretations.

Religion was first a family matter because we unfortunately never really got to enjoy a full Jewish community life as the only active community in our area was Lubavitch. My parents were scared by their radical approach as some members of our family had become Lubavitch in the past, and had excluded themselves from an open and laic [secular] society as well as from their own family. Nevertheless during Yom Kippur we used to join the community, but were never comfortable in those places where men and women were separated.

My parents got married in the Paris Reform synagogue of Copernic Street. The Reform movement represents less than 3-4% of the 600,000 Jews living in France. The Synagogue they got married in is located in Paris and it was not easy for us to belong to this community as active members.

When I reached the age of 11, I began the Talmud torah in my parent’s Synagogue. I met there other Jews, students and teachers from whom I learnt the feeling of belonging to a community. I remember Jean, one of our Hebrew teachers, who told us how he was ashamed once not to be able to challenge anti-Jewish comments from one of his high school teachers because of his lack of Jewish history knowledge. My dad is a man of great culture who nurtured my love of general history. I decided then that I would be a fighter and that knowledge would be my weapon, I would never be a shy Jew.

This Jewish identity that I have developed was both religious and nationalistic. I already knew by then that there was no “pure” blood Jews; some were black, some had Arab or Berber blood, and I knew that blonde with blue eyes Jews were quite far from Abraham’s ethnic standard and that therefore orthodox Ashkenazi origins were rooted in a century old mix with non-Jewish people.

My brother is 14 months older than me and my parents, for several reasons, decided that we would celebrate our Bar



Jeremy at his Bar Mitzvah

Mitzvah together. This seemed at first a bit odd, but rising up to the Bimah created a strong bond between us, and we decided together for example to both stop eating pork.

At university I joined the National Jewish student association, hoping to find there people with a common sense.

From 2003 to 2008 I lived in Shanghai where I joined the local 500 people-strong community lead by Chabad rabbis and a secular French/Moroccan leader named Maurice. I discovered that even though Chabad were not interested at all by the outside world, they were open to all Jews and were providing a home to all those interested (residents or visitors) in living up to their faith in such a faraway place.

Shanghai and China in general was also for me the opportunity to discover the rich local Jewish history. Indigenous Jewish communities, even though extinct today, were part of China’s history from the 12th century to the 18th century during the golden age of the Silk Road trade. Jews “came back” from the middle of the 19th century until the creation of the People’s Republic of China in 1949. At first they were Baghdadi Jews, subjects of Her Majesty Queen Victoria who were the first called in by the queen to deal with the opium trade for the British Crown, enslaving the minds of millions of Chinese. Then with the Bolshevik revolution in Russia and the emergence of Nazism in Europe in the ‘30s, at least 40,000 Jews escaped to Shanghai, the only place in the world where no visa was required. They created there a vibrant community, and built synagogues such as the Ohel Rachel, where we used to celebrate major festivals such as Purim during my stay in Shanghai. In Shanghai I also met my fiancée Krisztina and there we began our journey towards Jewish life together.

2 years ago after we moved back to Europe we attended, with my parents and my (now 90 years old) grandmother, a conference dedicated to Constantine’s history and a tribute to the famous Jewish-Arab-Andalusian [maalouf] musician Cheikh Raymond. It reaffirmed my understanding that in the past the Jewish and Muslim communities were not only living next to each other, they were sharing similar culture. As an example, in synagogues and mosques, the same melodies were used by the two communities for their religious services (obviously lyrics were different).

About a year ago when we moved to London, I joined NLPJC together with Krisztina. We have been since then enthusiastic to share the life of this young community in construction. We find there people who think that Judaism is not given but that it is a journey through modernity and tolerance.

I reject the idea of a monolithic Judaism which freezes the development of Jewish enlightenment, and I do believe in a mosaic Judaism, embracing the whole Jewish nation.

Pesach

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Tuesday 19th April
at 6.30pm



New(ish) Haggadah!

The new Liberal Judaism *Haggadah* (NB: this is the same *Haggadah* that came out just before last year's Seder) 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, (£8.50 per copy + £1.50 p&p per copy) please contact LJ 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 19th April at 6.30pm, 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 kept the prices the same as last year:

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 5th April 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 Chair

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 5th April at the latest
so that we can ensure that we have a place for you. Thank you**

Yom Hashoah

Yom Hashoah is a difficult day to manage. Those of us with a personal connection to the Shoah sometimes find it burdensome to explain or deal with other people's interest, but still want to bear witness to it. We have to encompass horror, remembrance, survival, honouring our dead, what we mean by "never again", and the feelings we all may have, with all the difficulties and contradictions involved.

The theology of the holocaust is not only complex but contested. And how is Yom Hashoah different to the Holocaust Memorial Day events, which have ranged from the deeply moving through the banal to the frankly appalling? Why do we do something else, and how to do it?

Well, we are Jews, so of course we eat. We have an evening together in someone's house. We commemorate and remember the people, the places and the cultures that the Holocaust sought to eradicate. We want it to help renew our resolve that this must not happen again, and keep alive what some wanted dead. We try to make it an event that those of us who lost people in the Shoah feel is fitting, and that those who did not find accessible and worthwhile. Please join us.

Sue Lukes

Please email nlpic@liberaljudaism.org or phone 020 7403 3779 for venue.

Celebrating Stoke Newington & Dalston

Are you over 50 years old and interested in taking part in an audio pop-up project which aims to celebrate the people and history of Stoke Newington and Dalston over the last 100 years? The project will launch on 3rd June in conjunction with the Stoke Newington Literary Festival.

The concept behind this community project is to interview people who, at one time, lived in and around Stoke Newington and Dalston as a child or teenager, or even as a young adult. The main goal of this project is to highlight people's personal stories, memories and experiences, so we are totally open in what people want to talk about - the more meaningful it is to the individual the more powerful it will be to the listener. It can be something to do with a historical event or it can be the ordinary.

The recorded audio memories/anecdotes will be placed in and around the area for people in the local community to listen to and enjoy. Wherever the memory is from e.g. 59 Amhurst Road or Stoke Newington Town Hall, the audio will be set up - connecting the historical memory to the location itself. It might be something as simple as a memory of going to the bakery as a child and buying a hot cross bun. Things like this and knowing it happened in 1945 or 1962 on Amhurst Road, for example, can be something quite beautiful, especially if you live on that very same street in 2011.

Please contact Sam White on 07808 762465 / sam@spareroomsociety.com

NLPJC Members News

A warm welcome to new members:

- ❖ Ken Smith & Sharon Neyhus, Eliana & George
 - ❖ Stephen Mendel
 - ❖ Aeron Davis
 - ❖ Elizabeth Gorel & Dave Shane
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Our 100 club winners

- ❖ Michael Ellman (Dec)

With more members now taking part in this draw this year, the winning total each month will be £49 – it's not too late to join ~ ask Julia for more details
nlpic@liberaljudaism.org

Mazel Tov to Jeremy Rubel & Krisztina Kovacs on the announcement of their engagement

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



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

KADIMAH CENTRE for wellbeing

The Kadimah Centre for Wellbeing (*Stamford Hill Jewish Care*) provides care, support and advice for Jewish people aged 18 to 65 who are experiencing problems with their mental health.

The Centre provides a wide range of holistic and therapeutic services to support the individual needs of local people. We offer a wide range of services which you can access, based on your particular needs.

For further details please contact Nimrod Allon or Suzy Cohen 020 8809 1875 nallon@jcare.org

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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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.

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NLPJC Newsletter is edited by Julia Chalfen. The deadline for the June/July/August issue is 15th May. Please send articles for publication to Julia at: nlpic@liberaljudaism.org

NLPJC events calendar

March – May 2011

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 8 th , 15 th , 22 nd , 29 th	7pm / 8.10pm	Adult Learning Programme (<i>see page 2</i>)	
Saturday 5 th March	10am / 10am 10.40am / 10.50am 11am	Torah Breakfast / Children's Hebrew Kol b'yachad service for children / Cheder & crèche Shabbat Service	
Saturday 19 th March	10am / 10am 10.40am / 10.50am 11am	Torah Breakfast / Children's Hebrew Kol b'yachad service for children / Cheder (<i>no crèche but toys available</i>) Shabbat Service with guest Rabbi Ada (<i>see page 2</i>)	
Sunday 20 th March	2pm – 5pm	PURIM PARTY (<i>see front page</i>)	
Friday 25 th March	7.15pm / 8pm	Erev Shabbat Service / Supper & event tba	
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Tuesdays in April 5 th	7pm / 8.10pm	Adult Learning Programme (<i>see page 2</i>)	
Saturday 2 nd April	10am / 10am 10.40am / 10.50am 11am	Torah Breakfast / Children's Hebrew Kol b'yachad service for children / Cheder & crèche Shabbat Service	
Saturday 16 th April	10am / 10am 11am	Torah Breakfast / MOCK SEDER (<i>see front page</i>) Shabbat Service	
Tuesday 19 th April	6.30pm	PESACH ~ 2 nd night Seder (<i>page 4</i>)	Defoe Road Community Centre 3-5 Defoe Rd, N16 0EP
Saturday 30 th April	7.30pm	YOM HASHOAH ~ supper and service to be held at a member's home (<i>see page 5</i>)	
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Tuesdays in May 10 th , 17 th , 24 th	7pm / 8.10pm	Adult Learning Programme (<i>see page 2</i>)	
Saturday 7 th May	10am / 10am 10.40am / 10.50am 11am	Torah Breakfast / Children's Hebrew Kol b'yachad service for children / Cheder & crèche Shabbat Service	
Sunday 15 th May	6.30pm / 8pm	AGM at Community Rooms / Meal at local restaurant (<i>see front page</i>)	
Saturday 21 st May	10am / 10am 10.40am / 10.50am 11am	Torah Breakfast / Children's Hebrew Kol b'yachad service for children / Cheder (<i>no crèche but toys available</i>) SPECIAL Shabbat Service followed by LAG BA'OMER PICNIC (<i>see front page</i>)	
Friday 27 th May	7.15pm / 8pm	Erev Shabbat Service / Supper & Event tba	

Dates for your diary.....

SHAVUOT DISCUSSION SESSION ~ Tuesday 7th June 7.30pm – 10pm at the Community Rooms

COOKERY WORKSHOP FUNDRAISER ~ Friday 24th June 7pm at the Community Rooms

Contact us at:

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