Welcome to Temple Emanu-El's Religious School.

We are so happy to have you join us this **2018-2019** school year!
Our first day is **Tuesday, October 9th at 4:00 PM**, we are looking forward to seeing you then!
From **5:30-6:00 PM** we will be having Parents Back to School in the Chapel, please join us.

**Meet Your Vav (6th Grade) Teachers**

**DALIA SAKAI**
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Dalia Sakai Golbari is married to Joseph Golbari with whom she has three lovely children Michelle, Michael and David. Her daughter Michelle works at Temple Emanu-El also!

Dalia is a Judaic studies teacher at Yavneh Academy in Paramus, NJ. She has been working at Yavneh for over 15 years.

Dalia grew up in Great Neck, NY and attended Queens College.
Her favorite free time activities include bike riding and boxing. She is also an avid cook. She teaches a cooking club at Yavneh called Dishing' With Dalia, which she very much enjoys.

**KAREN EILENBERG**
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Karen Eilenberg, has been delighted to teach students in Kitah Hei and Vav at Temple Emanu-El for the past nine years and multiple grades in the field of Jewish studies and language arts for several years before this.

She majored in Jewish literature in college. Thereafter, she did graduate work in Jewish literature at Hebrew University in Jerusalem (where she lived for 5 years) and at JTS.

Karen also taught Yiddish literature and rudimentary Yiddish conversation at the Workmen's Circle in Bergen County and is currently also teaching Jewish studies and Hebrew to students in various grades in several other schools.

**ORNA SIDO**
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Orna Trav Sido, was born in Israel, and is currently working as a teacher at the JCC on the Palisades.

She has been teaching Hebrew and Judaic studies for the past 16 years with 2018-2019 being the ninth year at Temple Emanu-El.

Orna teaches fourth grade Hebrew which includes the ability to recognize letters and vowels and put them into words and sentences. She also teaches sixth graders Tefilot in preparation for their Bar/ Bat Mitzvahs.

# Temple Emanu-El Religious School 2018-2019

Updated 7/2/2018

## September 2018

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| 9 | Erev Rosh Hashanah |
| 10 | Rosh Hashanah I |
| 11 | Rosh Hashanah II |
| 18 | Kol Nidre |
| 19 | Yom Kippur |
| 23 | 1st Day for Gan-Hei (K-5th) at 9 AM & Back to School Breakfast for Parents at |
| 23 | Erev Sukkot |
| 24-25 | Sukkot |
| 30 | Sukka Visit |

## October 2018

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| 1 | Simchat Torah Eve -Dancing with the Torah at 6:30 PM |
| 2 | Simchat Torah |
| 6 | Bet Siddur Ceremony at 10:15 AM |
| 9 | 1st Day for Vav-Zayin (6th-7th) at 4 PM & Back to School for Parents at 5:30 PM |
| 13 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 19 | Shabbat Shabang at 6 PM |
| 19 | Family Kabbalat Shabbat at 7 PM |
| 30 | B'nai Mitzvah Workshop for 6th & 7th Grade Families at 5:30 PM |

## November 2018

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| 3 | Gimel Book Ceremony at 10:15 AM |
| 4 | RS Mitzvah Day Required for 6th & 7th Graders |
| 11 | NJ Teachers' Convention |
| 16 | Shabbat Shabang at 6 PM |
| 16 | Family Kabbalat Shabbat at 7 PM |
| 17 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 17 | COOL'anu Shabbat at 10:15 AM 4th, 5th & 6th Grades |
| 21-25 | Thanksgiving Weekend |

School Vacation

First & Last Day of School

## December 2018

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| 1 | Dalet Torah Ceremony at 10:15 AM |
| 2 | Rockleigh Hanukkah Sing Along for families at 11:15 AM |
| 2 | Erev Hanukah/ First Candle |
| 3-10 | Hanukah |
| 8 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 9 | Hanukah Bash at 5:00 PM |
| 15 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 23-1 | Winter Break |

## January 2019

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| 5 | Hei Siddur Ceremony at 10:15 AM |
| 12 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 13 | Tu B'shvat Celebration |
| 18 | Shabbat Shabang at 6 PM |
| 18 | Family Kabbalat Shabbat at 7 PM |
| 20 | MLK Weekend |
| 21 | Tu B'Shvat |
| 26 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |

## February 2019

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| 2 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 3 | World Wide Wrap & RS Mitzvah Day Required Sunday for Vav-Zayin (6th-7th Grades) at 9:00 AM |
| 9 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 9 | COOL'anu Shabbat at 10:15 AM 1st, 2nd & 3rd Grades |
| 17-24 | Mid Winter Break |

## March 2019

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| 2 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 10 | Dalet B'nai Mitzvah Meeting for Parents at 10:15 AM |
| 15 | Shabbat Shabang at 6 PM |
| 15 | Family Kabbalat Shabbat at 7 PM |
| 20 | ***NO CLASSES AT 4:00 PM, Come to our Purim Palooza at 6:30 PM** |
| 21 | Purim |
| 26 | Vav Heritage Fair at 5:15 PM |

## April 2019

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| 6 | Vav B'nai Mitzvah Book Ceremony at 10:15 AM |
| 6 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 7 | Grade Model Seders |
| 14-21 | Spring & Passover Break |
| 19 | Erev Pessach 1st Seder |
| 20 | Passover 2nd Seder |
| 20-27 | Passover |
| 28, 30 | Early Registration |

## May 2019

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| 1, 5, 7, 8, 12 14, 15,19 | Early Registration |
| 2 | Holocaust Day -Yom HaShoah |
| 4 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 4 | COOL'anu Shabbat at 10:15 AM 2nd-6th Grades |
| 8 | Israel's Memorial Day |
| 9 | Israel's Independence Day |
| 11 | Shabbat with Suzy at 10:15 AM |
| 17 | Zayin Moving Up & Dinner at 7 PM |
| 19 | Last Day of Religious School |
| 23 | Lag Ba'omer |

**CLASS SCHEDULE: Gan and Aleph (K and 1st):** Sundays from 9:00 AM-11:15 AM, **Vav and Zayin (6th and 7th):** Tuesdays from 4:00 PM-6:00 PM, **Bet, Gimel, Dalet, Hei (2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th):** Sundays from 9:00 AM-11:15 AM & Wednesdays from 4:00 PM-6:00 PM.

# Shabbat Services for Vav (6th Grade) Families

**Friday Evening Services**

**Family Kabbalat Shabbat:** On the third Friday of select months at 7 PM, join us with the whole family for an engaging musical Kabbalat Shabbat and Friday Services.
Upcoming Dates: 10/19, 11/16, 1/18, 3/15

**Saturday Morning Services**

**Shabbat Havurah Book Ceremony:** On scheduled Saturdays from 10:15– 11:15 AM, families are invited to join us for a lively grade level book ceremony and a "learning family service" led by Cantor Orna Green.
Upcoming Dates:
**6th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Book:** 4/6

**COOL'anu Shabbat:** On scheduled Saturdays at 10:15 – 11:30 AM, join us for an engaging and interactive family service for all, led by Cantor Orna Green.
**Upcoming Dates:**
**11/17** - 4th, 5th & 6th Grades
**5/4** -2nd-6th Grades

Our Interactive Shabbat Services Are Led By:

**Rabbi David-Seth Kirshner**

**Cantor Israel Singer**

**Suzy Rosenberg**

**Questions, Comments, Concerns? We're here to help!**

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# Temple Emanu-El Religious School Curriculum

# Vav (6th Grade)

Vav is a year of transition: our students only meet on Tuesday nights and four required Sundays throughout the year.

Each week begins with the Mincha Tefillah service, which includes many of the prayers they will lead during their B'nai Mitzvah. After the service, students have time social and enjoy a snack before they begin their classes for the evening. For the rest of the evening, the students rotate between three classes. The classes are:

- Jewish Culture:
  - Students will study Jewish values and how these values apply to their everyday lives as pre-teens. Through their Heritage Fair project, students will learn about the concept of "L'dor, V'dor," the importance of family and our Jewish and Israeli history. Mitzvot, such as Tefilin, World Wide Wrap, and different levels of Tzedakah, will comprise an important part of this class, along with preparation for the students upcoming Kesher Olam projects, as required for their B'Nai Mitzvah. Students will also read and analyze Jewish poetry.

- Hebrew Reading
  - Students will continue to improve their Hebrew conversational skills and reading.

- B'nai Mitzvah Prayers
  - Co-taught with Cantor Singer, students will explore and learn the meaning of the Shabbat morning prayers, and practice chanting the prayers in preparation for their B'Nai Mitzvah

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