

**Temple Sharey Tefilo-Israel**  
**The Linda and Rudy Slucker Religious School**  
**2016-2017 Curriculum Focus for Grades 3rd - 6th**

<b>CURRICULUM GOALS</b>	<b>3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE</b>	<b>4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE</b>	<b>5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE</b>	<b>6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE</b>
<b>Hebrew Studies:</b>	Identifying/Review of Hebrew letters and vowels. Beginning Hebrew prayer reading.	Reinforce reading fluency. Beginning prayer study of Shabbat and Holiday blessings, Four Questions and various Shabbat prayers. Focused support in class if needed once week via tutor.	Reinforce reading fluency. Mastery of Hebrew prayers associated with the Friday evening service. Focused support in class if needed once week via tutor.	Bat/Bar Mitzvah preparation. Hebrew reading fluency, mastery of prayers associated with Saturday morning service as well as Torah portions. Focused support in class if needed once week via tutor.
<b>Holidays:</b>	Holiday celebrations in Israel—compare and contrast to what is done in our country.	Holiday participation: What do these celebrations mean in our lives? How are they handed down? Who is at your table?	Holiday associated with Prophets study. For instance, Jonah & Yom Kippur, Sukkot & Wandering in desert under Moses' leadership, Pesach & Miriam as prophetess.	Holiday participation as it pertains to curriculum. Holiday celebrations viewed through time, place and historic events. Emphasis placed on Yom Ha'shoah and Yom Ha'atzmaut.
<b>Curriculum Focus:</b>	Bible stories and their relevancy to today: Our students journey through the Bible and make connections to their own lives through discussion, writing, drama, music and art. Beginning connections to Israel with time spent with our Rishon- our Israeli teen emissary.	God and life cycle events: birth, bat/bar mitzvah, wedding, funeral and conversion framed to represent the diversity of the Jewish community. In-depth study of our families' personal stories through the My Family Story Program.	Prophets, Writings and Tanach: Ancient Israelite history from wandering in the desert to the destruction of Second Temple. Study of Ancient Prophets as role models for living meaningful Jewish lives today. Connections to Israel through mitzvah opportunities.	Jewish world history: Focus on Immigration to America, Holocaust as it pertains to Human Behavior and the Jewish perspective on civil rights. Review of all branches of Judaism. Building a personal connection to Israel through our work with our Rishon- our Israeli teen emissary.
<b>Family Education and Special Projects</b>	Israel programming with our Rishon.	My Family Story Family Program- Family history and heirlooms.	Israel Connections. Modern Day Prophet leaders for younger students.	B'nai Mitzvah Family meetings. Yad making, designing and running Maccabiah Games.