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**NEJC Hebrew School – 2019**

**Information**

**Introduction**

The NEJC Hebrew School will be continuing to provide Hebrew and Jewish studies classes to Primary School children during 2019.

The decision of the Board of Management of the NEJC to provide additional funding for the School means that we will be able to invest in a Hebrew curriculum that will allow children to progress from year to year and that will be able to be modified to meet local needs.

We will also be employing two qualified teachers who will run two multilevel classes and we will also have paid or volunteer aides to help with students who need a faster or slower pace than majority.

In addition to a solid Hebrew curriculum, Jewish studies lessons will cover Chagim, Jewish culture, tradition and history including modern history relating to the State of Israel.

**Hebrew Curriculum**

After investigating a number of curricula we decided to use the Aleph Champ curriculum which was used some years ago at the School. The program was modified in 2016 and now offers a choice between Ashkenasi and Sephardic pronunciation of vowels and we will use the Sephardic workbooks.

It seems to offer flexibility to use other materials besides those provided for developing speaking, listening, reading and writing skills but has a strong structure with clear goals for students to identify with.

**Fees**

The fees will be

$100 per term for the first child

$80.00 per term for the second child

$60.00 per term for the third and more children.

**Timetable - Class Structure and Terms**

Classes will be held on **Tuesdays, 4.00 to 5.30 pm**

The structure of each day will usually be

4.05 to 4.50 pm - Hebrew lesson

4.50 to 5.05 pm – Break for snack

5.05 to 5.30 pm – Jewish studies

However, there may be about two ‘Fun Days’ a term which will alter the daily timetable or, before a Chag, additional time may be given to the Jewish studies component.

| **TERM** | **HEBREW SCHOOL TERM** | **CHAGIM** |
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| **TERM 1** | 5 Feb – 2 April  9 weeks | PURIM - Thurs 21 March  PESACH - 1st day Sat 20 April  8th day Sat 27 April |
| **TERM 2** | 30 April – 25 June  9 weeks | Yom Ha’atzmaut - Thurs 9th May  Lag B’Omer - Thurs 23rd May  SHAVUOT - 1st day Sun 9 June;  2nd day Mon 10 June |
| **TERM 3** | 23 July – 17 Sept  9 weeks | ROSH HASHANNA - 1st day Mon 30 Sept; 2nd day Tues 1 Oct  YOM KIPPUR - Wed 9th Oct  SUKKOT Mon, 15 Oct; Tues 16 Oct  SHEMINI ATZERET Mon 21 Oct  SIMCHAT TORAH Tues 22 Oct |
| **TERM 4** | 29 Oct -17 Dec  7 weeks  No class 5 Nov Melbourne. Cup Day  (public holiday) | Chanukah 1st night Sun 22 Dec |

**Further information**

We hope to organise an information evening in a few weeks’ time and will let you know if we can do so.

In the mean time you can ask Theresa if you have any questions.

**Contact**

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