



Welcome back September 2018

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Welcome back to our returning families and to our new families. We are looking forward to seeing how our students have grown through the summer and getting to know our new students, and mostly, to have another great year at Kehila.

Our Kehila staff, Morah Linda, Morah Zehava, Monsieur Pierre and Michele welcomes a new addition to our team, Morah Natasha Romm, who will be our Grade 3,4,5 secular teacher. We wish her everything of the very best as Natasha and her family settle in their new home in Ancaster and her children join our Kehila community.

Below is some essential information needed for the beginning of school. Other information can be found on our Kehila website and in our Kehila Handbook (Please review). Attached are the relevant forms needed for the beginning of this school year to be handed in to Kehila's office **at the start of school**. **No student** will be able to go to the playground **without signed permission**.

All postdated cheques are required at the start of school or if you are e-transferring your tuition or other arrangements, please discuss with the office.

◆ **School Hours**

(Daylight Saving Time) 8:40 am - 3:40 pm Mondays to Fridays

(Eastern Standard Time) 8:40 am – 3:40 pm Mondays to Thursdays and Fridays 8:40 am – 3:00 pm.

3:00 pm dismissal on Fridays, during Eastern Standard Time is in honour of Shabbat. Please check your monthly calendar for dismissal times on other holidays.

◆ **Pick-up and Drop-Off:**

When dropping off or picking up your child, please try to avoid blocking neighbours' driveways and teacher/office staff parking space at any time.

Drop-off will be at the classroom door.

To speed up the **dismissal process**, **students will be picked up by their parents in the Kehila foyer.**

Monday through Friday, drop-off is 8:30-8:40 am and pick-up is at 3:40 pm.

If you need to pick-up or drop-off your child outside of these times, **please report to the office first.** **Please do not interrupt the classroom!**

◆ **Kosher Food Policy:**

All shared foods must be: sealed & packaged with a kosher symbol; or prepared at school under supervision of staff. **No home baked goods.**

◆ **No Nut Policy:**

Out of consideration for the safety of students or staff member within the Temple Anshe Sholom building with a nut allergy, please avoid sending any foods containing nuts.

◆ **School Uniform**

Uniforms can be purchased through Bombardieri Uniforms at 448 Barton Street East, Hamilton, ON. (Please review Kehila Handbook for clothing information)

Phone: 905-525-6684. Email info@bombardieri.ca Website www.bombardieri.ca

◆ **Labelled clothing**

Please make sure that all clothing, backpacks, lunch bags etc. are clearly labelled with your child's name. Labels can be purchased from Mabels Labels. <https://mabelslabels.com> (Support a Fundraiser) We get a portion of the sales of labels bought under Kehila's name.

◆ **Observing Shabbat**

Please help Kehila observe Shabbat by not emailing or posting Kehila information on any form of media during Shabbat and YomTov.

◆ **Returning Families**

If any information has changed (addresses, phone numbers, allergies etc) please let the office know immediately to update our files.

◆ **School Supplies**

See attached list.

◆ **Kabbalat Shabbat**

Each family will be asked to supply snacks (guided by the office) for Kabbalat Shabbat. You will be notified of the dates that snacks are required by email a week prior to your family's turn.

◆ **Special celebrations**

To help celebrate all the special Chags (Jewish Holidays) we welcome parents/grandparents donations for supplies. i.e Honey and apples for Rosh HaShanah, etc. If you are interested in helping out please let the office know.

See you all on Tuesday September 4th. Happy Labour Day Weekend.