October TERS Bulletin

L'Shana Tova! The first day of religious school went smoothly and religious school is in full swing with classes meeting in person on Wednesdays and Sundays. A special thanks to our teachers! This year our teacher lineup is as follows: Jillian Kallen has joined our staff as Temple Emanu-El Religious School's preschool teacher, Elena Crowell is back with us for a second year as our Kitah Gan/Alef (K/1st grade) teacher, Violet Greenmore has returned as our Kitah Bet (2nd grade) teacher, Amy Greenberg, a seasoned public school and religious school teacher from Tennessee, has joined our staff teaching Kitah Gimmel (3rd grade), Renee Weinstein has returned after many years of teaching at TERS as our Kitah Hay (5th grade) teacher, Jennifer Bloom, a junior at Connecticut College is back teaching Judaics for Kitah Vav (6th grade), Liora Zeev'i has joined the team on both Wednesday and Sundays teaching Kitah Vav (6th grade) Hebrew, Cantorial Soloist Sherry Barnes is teaching Kitah Zayin (7th grade) Hebrew and Barbara Senges will be teaching Judaic Studies to Kitah Zayin (7th grade) and continue to teach Kitah Chet (8th grade). Of course, we do not want to forget to mention Amy Orce who will be assisting in the office again this year. Welcome back teachers and thank you for dedicating yourselves and your time to helping create a school that we can all be proud of.

Some other exciting news is that the Young Emissaries, or ShinShinims as they are now called, are back! TERS welcomed both Uma Fruchtman Roth and Omer Zohar on the first day of school. Uma and Omer will be at TERS twice a week bringing lessons, activities, and fun programming that will educate our students about life in Israel.

If you have not had a chance to mail in or drop off your child's registration form and physical, please do so as soon as possible.

Looking Ahead...

Please join us as some of our youngest learners in Ms. Crowell's Kitah Gan/Aleph (Kindergarten/1st Grade) are welcomed formally into their religious school education as **Consecration celebrants on Friday**, **October 7th**, during the first Friday Family Share Shabbat service at 6:30pm. Details will be announced once plans are formalized. We have four consecrants this year so please mark your calendar and come out to help celebrate with them. Please note Family Share Shabbat is the first Friday of every month.

There will be no mid-week religious school on Wednesday October 5th in observance of Yom Kippur.

On **Friday, October 9th** TERS will welcome Sukkot by having a picnic in the Sukkah. Please continue to bring canned goods as we continue to collect non-perishable food for our community food bank.

On October 18th directly after religious school Rabbi Marc will lead a Blessing of the Animals. We hope you and your family can join us with your furry friends.

Lastly, but certainly not least, on **October 30th we will have our first Sunday Family Funday.** I have been putting a lot of thought into this year's Fundays and am excited to get the ball rolling.

May you and your families have a sweet new 5782,

Rachel O'Brien