



Welcome back September 2016

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Welcome Back Kehila Students and Parents. Looking forward to another great year at Kehila. 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.

◆ Extended Care Policy for 2016/2017

Extended care is offered to families that cannot drop off and pick up their children at the standard times. Morning care is provided from 8:00 - 8:30 am. Afternoon care is provided from 3:45 - 4:45 pm Monday to Friday during Daylight Saving Time.

During Eastern Standard Time, Friday school dismissal occurs at 3:00 pm. Extended care will run from 3:00 - 4:45 pm. The cost of extended care is \$5.00 per child for morning care and \$5.00 per child for after school care billed at the end of each month.

Those families who arrange for and pre-pay for extended care at the beginning of the month will only be charged \$5.00 per child for both morning and afternoon extended care.

Please inform the office ahead of any planned use of extended care. Registration form is to be completed for this service (available on website or in Kehila office)

◆ School Hours

(Daylight Saving Time) 8:40 am - 3:45 pm Mondays to Fridays

(Eastern Standard Time) 8:40 am - 3:45 pm Mondays to Thursdays and Fridays 8:45 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 3:45 pm. If your child/ren arrive earlier than 8:30 am they will be placed in extended care and you will be charged. 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 and 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.

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

Kehila crests can be ordered and sewn on appropriate clothing. For further information please call the office.

◆ 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. This is a Kehila fundraiser. We get a portion of the sales. Information below.

◆ Observing Shabbat

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

Message from Madame Anne

Welcome to another school year! It is a pleasure to return to the Kehila family which is always so appreciative, generous and helpful. It is always exciting to see the changes in children after two months of summer vacation and to hear all about what they have done and seen. I look forward to opportunities of growth for your children as they embark upon new areas of discovery in academic and social learning.

It is a privilege to return as well to our highly trained teaching staff who exhibit tireless compassion, creativity and professionalism on a daily basis.

During the following weeks, we will be refocusing students regarding two very important goals to play an active role in achieving success in their school year. The first one is, "Be safe in the school environment". We will discuss ways to contribute to a healthy, safe and socially acceptable atmosphere in which we can be considerate of all people in the building, including students, teaching staff and the Temple staff. The second is "Put forth your best effort to complete excellent work". We will discuss strategies to improve attention skills while listening, participating and completing work within a group or individually. We will also discuss strategies to help students solve problems which may prevent them from achieving excellence.

As teachers, we know that parents are our valuable and essential partners in the education of your children. We appreciate your involvement in the past and look forward to it as well in the future.

I wish you all a wonderful school year with us!

Message from Morah Linda

I would like to welcome each and every one of you to a new year filled with fun and learning at Kehila. As I set up the classroom I am eagerly waiting for it to be filled with inquisitive minds and the happy smiles of your children learning and playing. See you all on Tuesday.

Morah Zehava

Welcome back Yeladim!

Hope you all had a great summer! I am excited and eager to begin our Evrit studies and learn more about our heritage and Israel.

Hugs Moran Zehava.

Message from Mr. Szpirglas

Shalom Kehila Parents! I hope you're enjoying the last few weeks of warm weather. At Kehila, we're getting ready for a truly unique educational year with our junior division class. We're going to be going out into the community more and more with trips planned into the heart of Jewish Hamilton and beyond. In Language Arts, we'll be practicing our reflective writing as we consider what we've learned over the summer while on the Social Studies side, we'll be starting to look at what makes a community before comparing how different communities from history have interacted. In Math, we're starting with a comprehensive review of what we know in each major strand. In Science and Technology, we'll be looking at where electricity comes from how we can generate it sustainably. As always, feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns through the agenda or by phone here at the school



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