



Bar/Bat Mitzvah
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Magen Avot

Two Week Summer Holiday Edition



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Shabbat 15 August 2026 / 2 Elul 5786

פרשת שופטים / Parashat Shofetim

Light From	Friday Mincha	שבת	SZ Kriat Shema	שבת Shacharit	שבת Mincha	שבת Ends	Sunday Shacharit
6:54 PM	7:15 PM	8:11 PM	9:25 AM	9:30 AM	8:16 PM	9:16 PM	8:20 AM

Shabbat Shofetim

Chabura: On Summer Break

Kriat Hatorah: Dr. David Cohen

Shabbat Drasha: Rabbi Golker

Post Mincha Speaker: Rabbi Golker

Yahrzeits

Name	Relationship	Date	Hebrew date
David Abramowitz	Grandmother	15/08/2026	2 Elul 5786
Linda Lovat	Mother	18/08/2026	5 Elul 5786
Kenneth Ehrenberg	Father	19/08/2026	6 Elul 5786
Bobby Jacobs	Brother	21/08/2026	8 Elul 5786

Kiddush

Sponsored by Linda and Laurence Lovat on the Yahrzeit of Linda's mother Simcha Shoshana Sarah bat Anshell z"l.

Save The Date - Preparation for Sukkot

Keep It Fresh - The blueprint for choosing and protecting your Arba Minim.

Led by Rabbi Dr Steven Gaffin. **Wednesday September 16th at 8pm**, location tbc.

Save The Date - Let's Share BaSukkah

Matching those without a Sukkah to those with one for Friday night dinner! **Friday 25th Sept, 1st night Sukkot.**

Shabbat 22 August 2026 / 9 Elul 5786

פרשת כי תצא / Parashat Ki Teitzei

Light From	Friday Mincha	שבת	שבת Shacharit	SZ Kriat Shema	שבת Mincha	שבת Ends	Sunday Shacharit
6:43 PM	7:15 PM	7:57 PM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	8:00 PM	9:00 PM	8:20 AM

Shabbat Ki Teitzei

Chabura: On Summer Break

Kriat Hatorah: Adam Kay

Shabbat Drasha: Rabbi Golker

Post Mincha Speaker: Rabbi Golker

Kiddush

Sponsored by Nina Herman and Richard Herman to mark the Yahrzeit of Roy Herman z"l on 14th Elul

Yahrzeits — פרשת כי תצא / Parashat Ki Teitzei

Name	Relationship	Date	Hebrew date
Laraine Abrahams	Mother	23/08/2026	10 Elul 5786
Jonathan Faith	Mother	24/08/2026	11 Elul 5786
Sharon Faith	Father	24/08/2026	11 Elul 5786
Daniel Greenberg	Father	25/08/2026	12 Elul 5786
Nina Herman	Husband	27/08/2026	14 Elul 5786
Richard Herman	Father	27/08/2026	14 Elul 5786

Bereavement Befriending Training

The United Synagogue is running its annual bereavement training for new volunteers. This will be run by Bereavement Care, with the input of Rebbetzen Jacqueline Feldman, from Bushey.

Date: Sunday 1st and 8th of November. Participants need to attend both days.

Time: 10am to 3pm

Place: Bushey Shul

If you are interested in signing up please contact Tammy Nisner.

SECURITY – IMPORTANT MESSAGE

For various valid reasons, a number of committed security volunteers have either had to leave, or are about to leave, the security team or are otherwise unavailable for an extended period. We thank them all for their dedication in ensuring a safe and reassuring presence for all who come to daven at our Shul.

You may have noticed new security guards recently. They need our help to identify people who are more likely to be familiar to us than to the guards.

We will need many more volunteers over the summer period (when many regulars will be away) and during Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur (when the need for a visible, deterrent presence is essential).

There are various roles which can be allocated depending upon the particular circumstances of each volunteer. Now is the best time to volunteer because you can start with a regular Shabbat shift before then moving on to Rosh Hashanah/Yom Kippur if you are available.

Please don't leave it all to just a few of us; sign up by joining the security WhatsApp group or emailing security@magenavot.com

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch. We really need more of our kehilla to step up and take on this important service.

Many thanks in advance for your support.

Alex Jacobs, Security Officer

Magen Avot Bar and Bat Mitzvah Programmes

Give your child a Bar or Bat Mitzvah year to remember!

The Magen Avot Bar and Bat Mitzvah Programmes bring together meaningful Jewish learning, personal growth, friendship, adventure and plenty of fun. Sessions take place once a month over ten months, with separate programmes for boys and girls.

The programmes are led by Rabbi Yoni and Rebbetzen Dina Golker, with contributions from guest educators and inspiring speakers.

Participants will enjoy a varied mix of text-based learning, interactive sessions, hands-on workshops, volunteering opportunities, trips and exciting shared experiences—including a British Museum visit and a graduation Siyum.

Early-bird price: £149 when booked by 31 August

Standard price thereafter: £169

Bursaries are available for families who need financial assistance.

Book here: <https://tinyurl.com/bar-bat-mitzvah-course>

For any questions, please contact rabbi@magenavot.com.

Shamayim**Introducing Shamayim**

We're excited to share that Magen Avot is participating in the UK Synagogue Vegan Challenge, a 9-month programme where we receive funding from the US-based organisation, Shamayim for hosting educational, vegan events.

This initiative is not about pushing a specific lifestyle. Rather it is a welcoming, inclusive space for our whole community to come together, learn, and explore how Jewish values connect with what's on our plates.

Starting Shabbat Ki Tavo (29th Aug.) we'll be hosting a variety of monthly events with delicious food, meaningful Jewish learning, and conversations about compassion, sustainability, and health, all through a Jewish lens.

Bring your appetite and join us in building something thoughtful, welcoming and fun.