

# Family Education / Family Programs Calendar for 2017-2018/5778

**What does Family Education mean for our family?** Family Education is an integral part of our school program and community life at KS. We offer experiential educational programs that complement our school curriculum for students and their parents at every grade level, as well as Shabbat and holiday celebrations to help strengthen our families and the tie between families and the synagogue, and provide support for fostering joyful Jewish life at home.

The family experience is at the heart of what we do together. Through conversation, play, study, re-enactment, art, music, and the work of *Tikkun Olam*, repairing our world, our families experience the gift of *sacred family time* in a Jewish context. Family Ed programming enables parents new to Judaism to learn and be challenged without being intimidated, and to comfortably partner in their children's learning.

Through parallel adult programming and group offerings JUST for parents, parents have an opportunity for deeper, more enriched learning and support, which will enable them to more comfortably take a lead in teaching Judaism and modeling Jewish values for their children at home.

We look forward to having you and your family joining us in Jewish learning and celebration!

Questions? Contact Nancy Kaplan, [familyed@keremshalom.org](mailto:familyed@keremshalom.org), 978-369-1223

## COLOR KEY:

 Community-wide/invite friends!  B'nei Mitzvah  Grade level program  Early childhood families

## FALL SEMESTER Programs for Families 2017/5778

9/15	Friday	5:45 PM	PJ Tot Shabbat+dinner for Sukkot.....	families w/ young children
9/21& 30	(Thu, Sat)	8:30 AM	Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur morning	Early Childhood Family Services
10/1	Sunday	10:30 AM	Sukkah Building brunch.....	Adults and Families
10/2	Monday	6:30 PM	Torah Poster workshop	Grade 7 B/ Mitzvah students & parents
10/6	Friday	5:45 PM	PJ Tot Shabbat+dinner for Sukkot.....	families w/ young children
10/6	Friday	6:30 PM	Sukkot potluck dinner and celebration.....	Adults and Families
10/13	Friday	7:30 PM	SIMCHAT TORAH community celebration (includes 7 <sup>th</sup> graders' Torah posters)	
10/16	Monday	6:15 PM	with Rabbi Darby–Bat/Bar Mitzvah Orientation Session for Parents	of 6 <sup>th</sup> graders -- Parents Only
11/5	Sunday	10:30 AM	MITZVAH DAY ONE.....	Adults and Families
11/17	Friday	5:45 PM	PJ Tot Shabbat + dinner .....	families w/ young children
11/19	Sunday	10:00 AM	B/B Mitzvah Workshop #1	Grade 6 B/ Mitzvah students & parents
12/3	Sunday	10 AM	Chanukah Workshop	Grade 2
12/8	Friday	6 PM	Shabbat Dinner	Grades 3 & 4
12/1	Friday	5:45 PM	PJ Tot Shabbat + dinner .....	families w/ young children
12/17	Sunday	10:30 AM	HANUKKAH Brunch and sing-along.....	Adults and Families

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1/7	Sunday	10 AM	Parent Connection Kickoff	Kindergarten and Grade 1
1/8 & 1/10	Mon & Wed,	4 PM	School Mitzvah Day and Jewish Summer Camp Fair	Grades K-6, with 7th grade through high school helpers
1/15	Friday	5:45 PM	PJ Tot Shabbat + dinner for Tu biShvat.....	families w/ young children
1/26	Friday	6 PM	Shabbat Dinner	Grades 5 & 6
1/28	Sunday	10 AM	Torah Workshop	Grade 4
2/4	Sunday	10 AM	Hebrew Name Workshop	Grade 1
2/11	Sunday	10 AM	B/B Mitzvah Workshop #2	Grade 6 B/Mitzvah students+parents
2/9	Friday	5:45 PM	PJ Tot Shabbat + dinner.....	families w/ young children
3/4	Sunday	10:30 AM	<b>Family PURIM celebration.....</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> grade students' Purimspiel (Purim play), Purim Sing-along and Parade Followed by Carnival, run by KS high school and Bat/Bar mitzvah students	families w/ young children
3/9	Friday	6 PM	Shabbat Dinner/name plaques	Grades 1 & 2
3/18	Sunday	10 AM	Passover Workshop	Grade 5
3/23	Friday	5:45 PM	PJ Tot Shabbat + dinner.....	families w/ young children
4/1	Sunday	6 PM	<b>Community Second Night Seder .....</b>	<b>Adults and families</b>
4/27	Friday	5:45 PM	PJ Tot Shabbat + dinner (Celebrate Israel)....	families w/ young children
4/29	Sunday	9:30 AM	Field trip to Harvard St.	Grade 3
5/4	Friday	6 PM	Shabbat Dinner	Grades 8-12
		7:30 PM	Chagigat Torah awarded to high school student leaders during Shabbat service	
5/18	Friday	5:45 PM	PJ Tot Shabbat + dinner (Shavuot).....	families w/ young children
5/11	Friday	6 PM	Shabbat Dinner	Grade 7
		7:30 PM	7 <sup>th</sup> grade Mitzvah Projects will be featured during Shabbat service	

Find the latest info about community life at KS at [www.keremshalom.org](http://www.keremshalom.org),  
also our e-mail announcements and monthly Grapevine. Please let us know your e-mail address!