

# THE DRUM

KEEPING YOU IN STEP WITH THE BEAT OF OUR COMMUNITY



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פ' מקץ (חנוכה & ראש חודש)

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## FROM THE RABBINIC TEAM: YOSEF AND HIS BROTHERS



It appears at first sight that Yosef is toying with his brothers. He uses subterfuge, tricks them, and threatens them. He demonstrates that he has complete control over them and insight that they cannot fathom. Why is this display of capricious power

necessary? Rav Hirsch presents an interesting psychological approach. He suggests that Yosef needs to demonstrate his power in order to facilitate reconciliation. Yosef needs to show the brothers that their worst fears have been realised, their brother is in a position of mastery over them, of life or death control. This was the very fear that caused them to conspire against him in the first place. that Yosef dreamt of power which he could abuse to oppress them, and thus they felt they needed to protect the family by eliminating him. The truth, as Yosef ultimately showed them, was that to the contrary, Yosef dreamt of leadership which he could use to help, sustain and support his family. He had no plans to abuse his power; his intent was to utilise it to help them. This is a message for us all. Hostility often arises between people because of unfounded suspicions and wrongly attributed motives. Much pain is caused in families, couples and even workplaces because of this "mind reading". The painful story of Yosef and his brothers should remind us that we know less about other people's thoughts, feelings and motives than we think we do, and we must therefore hesitate before we interpret their intentions as hostile and threatening. Shabbat shalom.

**RABBI SAM FROMSON**

## שבת שלום

Chanukah & Shabbat Candles: 3.03pm - 3.39pm  
Minchah & Kabbalat Shabbat: 3.25pm

Shabbat morning: 9.00am

Minchah: 3.30pm, followed by Rabbi Belovski's shiur;  
Ma'ariv when Shabbat ends: 4.47pm

## WEEKDAY SERVICES

### שחרית

Sun @ 8.15am; Mon @ 7.10am;  
Tue, Wed & Fri @ 7.25am; Thu @ 7.15am

### מנחה & מעריב

Sun-Thu @ 3.40pm

## Mazal Tov!

TO LIZ AND JEREMY MANUEL ON THE  
BIRTH OF A GRANDSON

## Happy Birthday!

· ARI SNYDER · BENJAMIN SWERDLOW · STELLA  
SILVERMAN · JOSEPH GIESSING · SOPHIE KIERSZ-  
BROWNSTONE · JOSHUA HILLER · KEREN VAISBROT  
· CHARLIE COHEN · JAMES COLLINS

## LEARN WITH US

### FRIDAY NIGHT 3RD DECEMBER - AFTER MAARIV

Donald's Gemara Sanhedrin Chavurah

### SHABBAT 4TH DECEMBER - FOLLOWING MINCHAH AT 3.00PM

Chanukah shiur with Rabbi Belovski

### MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER - 8.00PM

Adrian Jacobs Shiur Gemara Shiur on Tractate Shabbat  
Delivered by Zoom

### WEDNESDAY 8TH DECEMBER - 8.00PM

Moonlight Learning with Vicki  
Delivered by Zoom

Coming soon

MAJOR CHANUKAH EVENT

5th December

Full details on website and around Shul

RABBANIT RAMIE 22nd December

## Youth and Children

### OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES RUN EVERY SHABBAT MORNING:

- **YOUTH** (Y7 plus), upstairs in the nursery, **10:30am**
- **PRE-YOUTH** (Y5 & Y6), outside under the Rimon shelter
- **CHILDREN** (Reception-Y4), Rimon hall
- **TODDLERS** (Pre-school), Rimon reception playground

All starting at 10.45am

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON YOUTH  
ACTIVITIES, PLEASE CONTACT OUR YOUTH  
DIRECTORS, TOVA AND SHIRA:  
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## AWFUL KIDS' JOKES

- I saw an ad for a used Radio. It read: "Just #1. Sound is very clear, but volume is stuck on high." "I thought. "I can't turn that down!"
- A B-flat, a E-flat and a G-flat walk into a bar. The bartender says "Sorry I don't serve minors".
- I once made a belt decorated with herbs from my garden. It was a waist of thyme...

## USEFUL CONTACTS

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## GGSh Executive

Our community is run by volunteers – do get in touch and get involved. Our Women's Officers are available for support on saying kaddish and observing yahrzeits and our Gabbaim can answer any questions on services.

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MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS ARE WARMLY INVITED TO ATTEND ALL OF OUR ONLINE EVENTS,  
REGARDLESS OF LEVEL OF KNOWLEDGE