

# THE DRUM

KEEPING YOU IN STEP WITH THE BEAT OF OUR COMMUNITY



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## FROM THE RABBINIC TEAM: INSIGHT OR FORESIGHT?



After the plague of darkness, Pharaoh summons Moshe and tells him that the Jewish people can leave Mitzrayim, as long as they leave behind their cattle. Moshe rejects this offer, God hardens Pharaoh's heart and he declines to let the cattle leave or provide extra

animals for sacrifice as Moshe requests.

At this point it seems that Pharaoh loses his temper. He throws Moshe out and tells him that if he ever sees him again, he will die. Moshe's response is interesting – he replies, "You have spoken correctly. I shall not see you again!"

While this sounds a bit like a pub brawl, the commentators explain it somewhat differently. They observe that when Pharaoh comes as a broken man after the death of the firstborn to tell the Jews they should leave, he does not actually see Moshe or Aharon but either sends his servants to find them or seeks them himself without finding them.

In addition, Rabbi Naftali Tzvi Yehudah Berlin (the Netziv) writing in Haemek Davar suggests, following the Midrash Tanchuma, that since Moshe's staff had the acronym for the plagues Detzach, Adash, B'achav, which we recite at the seder, engraved on it, he knew that there would only be one more plague before the Exodus, which would not require him to encounter Pharaoh again.

**REBBETZIN VICKI BELOVSKI**

## שבת שלום

Candles: 3.18pm - 3.54pm  
Minchah & Kabbalat Shabbat: 4.00pm

Shabbat morning: 9.15am

Minchah: 4.00pm, followed by shiur with Rabbi Fromson; Ma'ariv when Shabbat ends: 5.04pm

## WEEKDAY SERVICES

### שחרית

Sun @ 8.30am; Mon & Thu @ 7.15am;  
Tue, Wed & Fri @ 7.25am

### מנחה & מעריב

Sun - Thu @ 4.00pm

## Mazal Tov!

DEAN AND DANIELLE LESLIE ON THE BIRTH OF ZACK, A GRANDSON FOR ALLEN AND PERLA

ANTHONY W Aidhofer AND MIA HARRIS ON THEIR ENGAGEMENT; MAZAL TOV TO NORMAN AND VIVIANE AND THE HARRIS FAMILY

## Happy Birthday!

· ARIELLE FROMSON

## LEARN WITH US

### FRIDAY NIGHT 7TH JANUARY - AFTER MA'ARIV

Donald's Gemara Sanhedrin Chavurah

### SHABBAT 8TH JANUARY - AFTER MINCHAH

Shiur with Rabbi Sam Fromson

### MONDAY 10TH JANUARY - 8.OOPM [ZOOM]

Adrian Jacobs Shiur Gemara Shiur on Tractate Shabbat

### WEDNESDAY 12TH JANUARY - 8.OOPM [ZOOM]

Rabbi Yedidya Sinclair on Shmita today (1)

What is it, why is it the way it is and what could it become?

### SHABBAT 15TH JANUARY - AFTER MINCHAH

Shiur with Rabbanit Ramie to coincide with US Women's Shabbat: Enduring Evil: Amalek and the Dangers of Self Deception

Coming soon

WINTER PROGRAMME (details on website)

Rabbi Julian Sinclair on Shmita (2)

Rabbanit Ramie on the Parashah

Rabbi Belovski In Conversation 2

## 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 hear they are developing a mind controlled air freshener. It makes scents when you think about it.
- What do you call a chicken looking at a bowl of lettuce? Chicken sees a salad.
- A mummy covered in chocolate and nuts has been discovered in Egypt. Archaeologists believe it may be Pharaoh Roche...

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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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