



## Welcome to Nursery 4 – Pre Kindergarten!

### **NURSERY 4**

#### **Children must be four years old by December 1st**

At this age, the most effective learning is that which results from your child's own motivation. In our class, children are encouraged to "construct" their own knowledge by pursuing their personal interests and goals. Active learning is fostered through direct, hands-on experiences with people, objects, events and ideas. Children are supported in independent problem solving as their world of learning expands and as they begin to develop social skills and friendships. To build fine-motor and pre-literacy skills, the *Handwriting Without Tears* program is introduced at this level. In the nursery-four classroom community, Jewish values are modeled and every day is filled with art, music, stories, language, Jewish living and hands-on exploration.

#### **Daily Activities**

- **Tephilot** – *Modeh Ani, Torah Tziva, Tzitzit, Ma Tov, Adon Olam, Asher Yatzar, As Yashir, Shema...* and gradually growing upon the entire year; with an emphasis on punctuation
- **Calendar**
- **Parshiot**
- **Outdoor Play**
- **Ivrit Immersion**

#### **Weekly Activities**

- **Gym**
- **Yoga**
- **Library**
- **Shabbat Party**
- **Enrichment**
- **Cooking**

**Here is our daily schedule:** *(subject to change based on specials and other events)*

**8:15** *morning arrival and free play*

**9:00** *clean up*

**9:15** *davening and circle time*

**9:45** *bathroom, wash and snack*

- 10:00** *projects, theme work, free play*
- 10:50** *clean up*
- 11:00** *Outdoor play (weather permitting) or gross motor room*
- 11:25** *wash, lunch, birkat hamazon & rest*
- 1:10** *calendar / circle time*
- 1:30** *enrichment / centers*
- 2:30** *snack, clean up & pack up*
- 3:00** *Outdoor play (weather permitting) or gross motor room*

**WE SPEND TIME EXPLORING.....**

<b>September</b>	<i>Back to school, Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur, friends A(apples) M(me) B(bees)</i>
<b>October</b>	<i>Fall, Sukkot, Noach, F(fall) L(leaves) Z(zebra)</i>
<b>November</b>	<i>Thanksgiving T(turkey) P(pilgrim) V(vegetables)</i>
<b>December</b>	<i>Chanuka C(candles) patterning</i>
<b>January</b>	<i>Winter, snow W(winter) S(snow) H(hat)</i>
<b>February</b>	<i>Brachot, Tu B'shvat, Purim, O(anges) D(dough) K(king) Q(queen)</i>
<b>March</b>	<i>Pesah E(egg) N(no)</i>
<b>April</b>	<i>Spring, rainbow colors R(rain) U(umbrella) G(green)</i>
<b>May</b>	<i>Yom Ha'atzmaut I(Israel) J(Jerusalem) Y(yellow)</i>
<b>June</b>	<i>Shavuot, X</i>

**IVRIT IMMERSION**

In our Ivrit Immersion program, students develop their Hebrew language and literacy in a gradual, spiraled process, building new ideas and concepts atop of an expanding foundation of knowledge. The program gradually helps foster Jewish identity by allowing children to explore their Jewish roots and traditions in a fun and exciting manner.