



**BOSTON-AREA JEWISH EDUCATION PROGRAM**

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The BJEP Newsletter

December 9, 2011

***THIS SUNDAY AT BJEP***

**GRADE 1 CONSECRATION AT 10:45 PROMPTLY**

**MORNING AT THE MOVIES AT 9:30 IN SHIFFMAN 219**

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#### **BJEP BLOGS!!!**

Check out our BJEP Teacher Blog. Each week, a different teacher will write about some special event happening at BJEP. [Click here](#) to read Gali Gordon's reflections on a grade 6 program.

**Hanukkah starts on**

#### **Calendar at a Glance**

<b>December 11</b>	Grade 1 Consecration Morning at the Movies- <i>Serugim</i>
<b>December 18</b>	BJEP in session. Hanukkah at BJEP!
<b>December 25</b>	BJEP Intersession Begins
<b>January 22</b>	BJEP resumes <b>New: The PJ Library Pajama Rama at BJEP!</b>
<b>January 29:</b>	Grade 2 Taste of Shabbat Program

#### **Greeting from Director**

Dear BJEP parents,

This past Sunday, I had the privilege of teaching at *Limmud*, a day of Jewish learning that was open to the entire Boston community. In this context, I shared with those present all the wonderful ways that BJEP incorporates Jewish stories (biblical, folkloric, and modern!) into the curriculum. With this in mind, I want to encourage you to develop your own Jewish children's libraries by going to our website ([www.bjep.com](http://www.bjep.com)) and then clicking the Amazon icon on the website. Regardless of

## Tuesday night December 20

Check out the links below to learn about Judaism or find out ways to do Jewish in the Boston area.

[Jewish Events in Boston Babaganewz- activites for kids!](#)

[My Jewish Learning](#)

[Union of Reform Judaism](#)

[kveller.com](#) (Jewish parenting)

[Chabad](#) (Jewish Outreach)

## WEATHER CANCELLATION POLICY AT BJEP

Three ways to find out if BJEP is canceled due to weather emergency:

- Email notification
- Message on BJEP phone line: 617 734-4997
- WBZ TV Listing

Also, please your email on Sunday mornings as you never know if black ice, a broken heater, an electrical problem, or something else may cause an unexpected school cancellation or delay.

As always, use your discretion about the safety of roads when driving to Brandeis.

## BJEP ADULT LEARNING

Adult Torah Study takes place every Sunday 10 am to 12 noon when BJEP is in session. Please come and try it out! New BJEP families are welcome!

## BJEP CAFE IS OPEN

Drop by the Lown Lounge (in the BJEP Quad) for some coffee and nosh in the morning on Sundays. Food and drinks are usually dropped off by a

what you buy, BJEP gets up to 15% from each sale. Since launching this program, we have already earned \$124 and we expect that number to grow. **Please be sure to take part!**

I want to thank the many BJEP parents (and their children) who helped run the BJEP Hanukkah Book Fair this past Sunday. It was a wonderful success. We sold over \$700 worth of goods!

Thank you also to Dana Ravech who organized our Go Green Fundraiser which raised over \$600 for BJEP.

**Please consider joining us next Sunday, December 18 for our all-school Hanukkah Celebration at 11:20 am. It should get us in the Hanukkah spirit!**

I look forward in celebrating consecration with the Grade 1 families this Sunday at 10:45 am. Please be sure to read below for details/

**Last, scroll down to read details about PJ Library's visit to BJEP on January 22. It should be an incredible Pajama-rama. Mark your calendars right away!**

Shabbat Shalom, Dena

## BJEP Morning at the Movies This Sunday

**BJEP PRESENTS  
"MORNING AT THE MOVIES"  
THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11  
9:30 AM (after drop-off)  
Screening**

# *SERUGIM*

*An Israeli Television Series that is Now Electrifying  
the American Jewish World!*

parent between 9:30 and 9:45 am.

## Thank You to Our Parent Volunteers

BJEP couldn't do all the amazing things we do without an incredible group of parent volunteers.

**Book Fair:** Melissa Levy (coordinator), Michelle Lerner, Debbie Schmill, Jared Silverman, Karen Brenner and the many children that helped too!

**Consecration:** Deidre Robinson, Deborah Altsher-Cooper.

**BJEP Cafe:** Warshay Family.



*Explore the world of young professional singles in the Modern Orthodox community of Jerusalem in the 2009 and 2010 Best Drama by the Israel Film and Television Association.*

*S'RUGIM literally means "knitted" for the knitted skullcaps worn by its character., Srugim is a light drama that displays the unique circumstances of single men and women in their thirties. They live in rented apartments in the "Jerusalem Swamp", some have prestigious jobs, but they are all seeking love and an escape from the situation in which they have been entrapped - a waiting period until marriage which has turned into a seemingly permanent situation. The show follows them in their attempts to live normal lives within the constraints that religion and tradition.*

## GRADE 1 CONSECRATION SERVICE ON DECEMBER 11

### GRADE ONE FAMILIES

*are invited to join their children and teachers*

for

### CONSECRATION

CELEBRATING THE BEGINNING OF

FORMAL JEWISH EDUCATION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2011

15 Kislev 5772

10:45 AM-11:45 AM

in the

**Berlin chapel, at Brandeis University**

The boys should wear a white shirt and dark pants, please.  
The girls can wear simple dresses or something else a little special.

We encourage you to invite grandparents and other special guests.  
Refreshments will be served following the ceremonies.

*Parents of Grade 1 students should bring their children to the classroom, at 9:30, as usual. Parents can then make their way to the Berlin Chapel. Our program will begin promptly at 10:45 am at which time the children will join us.*

***Directions:** After you drop off your child, do not rush as the chapel is not available until 10 am. You can either drive or walk (3 minute walk). Go past the Tower parking which is where you would park for BJEP. The road curves to the left. Follow the curve and you will see the Berlin Chapel, 2nd chapel on the left. If you drive, you can park either on the road or in the parking lot on the left just before the chapels.*

*You will have plenty of time to pick up your older children, in their classrooms, when Consecration is over.*

## PJ PAJAMA-RAMA AT BJEP ON JANUARY 22

# The PJ Library Comes to BJEP for a...

# Pajama-rama

## Fun filled pajama party with a purpose!

- \* Be part of a community tzedakah (helping others) project in your PJs!
- \* Storytime and songs with Janet Feld
- \* Make personalized pillow cases
- \* Bring a new pair of children PJs to donate.

AT BJEP

Sunday, January 22, 2012

10-11:30 am

- \*Designed for families with children ages 2+ years
- \* BJEP first graders & kindergarteners will join.
- \* PARENTS OF FIRST AND SECOND GRADERS WELCOME TO COME AS WELL.
- \* Parents with younger children welcome as well.

**Cost: No charge for BJEP families, but please preregister by January 18 at [bostonjcc.com/metronorth](http://bostonjcc.com/metronorth) (\$15 for NON-BJEP families)**

Register online at [bostonjcc.com/metronorth](http://bostonjcc.com/metronorth). For more information, contact [metronorth@jccgb.org](mailto:metronorth@jccgb.org) or 617-841-8009.

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