



# Meet the Shabbat & Holiday CBI Youth Groups staff!



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## What should I know about CBI Youth Groups?

### CHILD-CENTERED SPACE

We strive to cultivate a safe, joyful, curious and exploratory space at Gan Shalom where our youth are at the center. This means that we kindly ask that all parents and adults stay at CBI premises while CBI Youth Groups are in session. If you believe your child would benefit from your presence, please let Natan or Maharat Victoria know so that we can work with your family's needs.

### PARENT SUPERVISING VOLUNTEER

It is crucial that we have one parent supervisor on hand every Shabbat and Holiday. The role of this parent is to ensure we have a safe ratio of children to adults, and to allow children to return to the synagogue accompanied by an adult when necessary. A comprehensive schedule of assigned parents is available in an open Google document regularly shared to parents by our staff.

### SAFETY & GUIDING OUR CHILDREN TO CORRECT SPACES

CBI has a very special space for the community to come together in every Shabbat, but unfortunately it is not big enough for our children to run and play. Please assist us by encouraging children aged 10 years and under to be engaged in CBI Youth Groups. If children aged 10 years and under are not in a program, they must be accompanied by an adult in the Sanctuary or CBI premises.

### RESPECTING THE GAN SHALOM BUILDING

We are incredibly lucky to use the Gan Shalom Pre-School building for our Shabbat and Holiday programs. Please guide children to be respectful of the space, and to follow the schedule & designated areas of use created by our staff. Please never prop open the front gate of the Gan Shalom building.

### HOW CAN I BE MORE INVOLVED?

We would love to hear ways you would like to be more involved! We are always looking for parents to get involved in: leading Shabbat tot circles, creating youth programming during the week, engaging CBI teens and leading programs during special holidays.

## What's the schedule?

**9:15 AM**

Free Play  
Gan Shalom Downstairs  
(Kedma, Tsafona, Negba)

Free Play  
Beth Israel Treehouse  
(Yama)

**10:30 AM**

Snacks, Circle Time, Tefillah,  
Outdoor Play - in rotation  
(Kedma, Tsafona, Negba)

**10:45 AM**

Parent-Led Tot Circle  
Beth Israel Treehouse  
(Yama)

**11:30 AM**

Outdoor Play  
Gan Shalom Backyard  
(Yama, Kedma)

**12:00 PM**

Arrival back at  
Beth Israel Synagogue Yard  
(All groups)

## What ages?

**YAMA**

Ages 0-3 years old

Children under 18 months old  
must be accompanied by a  
parent/guardian

**KEDMA**

Ages 2 years 9 months - Preschool

Children may begin attending this  
group as soon as they enter the  
age group.

**TSAFONA**

Kindergarten - 2nd Grade

**NEGBA**

3rd Grade - 5th Grade

## Connect

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