

Ojai Sunday School

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In our class we celebrate several Jewish holidays, learn some Hebrew letters, and some Hebrew words. For each holiday and letter, we will enhance our learning by using arts and crafts, cooking, and singing songs. Every morning we will welcome the children with our Hebrew good morning song.

We will start with the Jewish new year, Rosh Ha Shana. We will sing songs, eat apples & honey, and do some art. While singing songs and telling a Rosh Ha Shana story, we will learn about this wonderful holiday's customs. If time allows, we will also learn the first letter in Hebrew.

Next, we will learn about *Simchat Torah* – The Joy of torah. We will do some crafts, sing, and dance. We will then learn about *Shabbat*. We will sing shabbat songs, and bless over the candles, wine, and the challah bread. We might even bake a challah. At that time we learn about a few family members in Hebrew.

Then comes *Sukkot*. We will learn about this holiday, plus we will learn some colors. During this class time we will make decorations for the Sukkah using different colors. We will also play color games.

The next holiday is Hanukkah We will draw menorahs, light the candles, and play the dreidles. We will listen to the Hanukkah story, and make a traditional Hanukkah food. After that we will learn about Purim. We will listen to the story of this holiday, play some games, and eat delicious traditional Purim pastry.

Later on, there is the Passover. We will learn the story, sing songs, and make a yummy special cake for this holiday. Then, we will celebrate about Tu B'shvat and Israel's independence day. We will do some arts and crafts and maybe make something yummy to celebrate.

Throughout our time together we will celebrate the children's birthdays (if it happens around Sunday school). We will sing and dance and have a lot of fun.