

# NOAR SUNDAY



## 2019-2020 Curriculum Overview

Noar Sunday is Temple Sinai's innovative learning experience for K-6<sup>th</sup> graders. Noar Sunday is guided by these principles:

- Authentic Jewish content
- Hands-on learning
- Personal choice
- Community building

### **What does this look like on a normal Sunday?**

Every Sunday is packed with varied and engaging learning experiences. Each child has a Bayit (home base) where they do their core learning and develop connections with a small community of other children in their grade. Children are also part of an Eydah (unit), which is two grades who come together for Chugim (electives) and special programs.

Here are the highlights planned for each Eydah next year:

### **Shoreshim (Roots)-Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> Grade**

- Getting to know classmates who will become your Temple Sinai friends.
- Learning about the synagogue, Jewish holidays, and Shabbat through games, art, cooking, and more.

### **Chaverim (Friends)-2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**

- Journeying through the Jewish calendar to explore the Jewish holidays and all the rich traditions that come with them.
- Tu B'Shevat experience at Dunwoody Nature Center.
- Leading an experiential seder for parents as part of a Chugim Showcase.

### **Orim (Lights)-4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

- A semester-long trip to Israel complete with a plane ride, the Old City of Jerusalem, and the beaches of Tel Aviv, all without leaving Temple Sinai.
- Creating a Mitzvah Day for parents as part of a Chugim Showcase.

### **Zehut (Identity)-6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

- 6th graders have their own Eydah as they transition from the youth program to teen programs. This allows us to tailor the program to give them an age-appropriate, hands-on learning and community-building experience.
- The central theme of the Zehut year is "Am Yisrael Chai" and Jewish Peoplehood, an especially relevant topic as pre-teens begin finding their place in their world and among the Jewish people.