

Gesherim 6th graders *and* their Family

**Gesherim meets two Sundays per month – <u>once as students only</u> and <u>once as students and parent(s</u>). <u>Students</u> will continue to attend mid-week Hebrew.

The Hebrew word *Gesherim* means *bridges*. As a 6th grader, your child is *bridging* the span between childhood and pre-teen. This is a special time for both you and your child.

Sixth graders and their families will enter an experience that will lead from the journey of our people to the start of their own future journey. *Gesherim* is a unique program designed to guide our students and our families, both separately and together, on a path to B'nei Mitzvah and beyond.

Led by a dynamic and experienced educator, students will meet monthly as a group. Additionally, students and parent(s) will meet monthly as a group. Each gathering will build upon the important elements of starting the process of Jewish "adulting". Experiences will include in-house gathering, field trips, and social action opportunities.

The "connector" that ties all of this important work together is a personal Torah project. Each family will meet with Rabbi Rigler to be introduced to and seek understanding of the student's Torah portion for their B'nei Mitzvah. Torah project presentations will be scheduled during mid-year or at the end of the year, depending on their B'nei Mitzvah date.