



Shabbat 15 February 2025 / 17 Shevat 5785					Parashat Yitro 5785 / פרשת יתרו					
Light From	Friday Mincha	שבת	שבת Chabura	שבת Shacharit	SZ Kriat Shema	Minis /Maxis	שבת Mincha	שבת Ends	Horim V'Yeladim	Sunday Shacharit
4.11PM	4.55PM	4.58PM	9.00AM	9.15AM	9.41AM	10.45AM	5.03PM	6.03PM	6.40PM	8.20AM

### Thursday 14 February



### Shabbat 15 February

**Location:** We will be based downstairs in the OYH Banqueting Hall over Shabbat and back up on Sunday morning in our Shul.

**Chabura:** Rabbi Chaim Golker (Richmond United Synagogue)

**Leining:** Yosef Golker (Bar Mitzvah)

Magen Minis and Magen Maxis meet from **10.45am**. Y@MA takes place at the usual time after Kedusha of Mussaf.

**Pre-Mussaf Speaker:** Rabbi Yoni Golker

**Presentation:** Chief Rabbi Sir Ephraim Mirvis will make a presentation to the Bar Mitzvah.

This week's Kiddush is sponsored by **Rabbi and Rebbetzin Golker** in honour of their son Yosef's Bar Mitzvah this Shabbat.

**Post-Mincha Speaker:** Dr David Cohen in honour of the Bar Mitzvah on: "Medieval Rabbinic Mavericks".

### Motzei Shabbat 15 February

The final HvY session takes place at **6.40pm** and is sponsored by **Leila, Abie, Gadi, Herschel and Yehuda Golker** in honour of their big brother Yosef's Bar Mitzvah! We would like to thank Rafi Kleiman for running it so successfully this season. **HvY will be in year 6 classroom this week followed by staffroom for food.**

### Wednesday 26 February

The final Shiur in the series of Tenach Shiurim given by Rebbetzin Dina Golker will take place on: "Samuel, Saul & David (Part 2) – Kings, Prophets, & People". Details will be circulated via WhatsApp nearer the time.

### Monday 17 March

The next Book Club will be hosted by Dr Richard Taylor. New members are welcome, and the location can be provided if you contact Julian Pollard on 07958 447 174. See back of newsletter.

### 28-29 March

Y@MA Shabbaton (at the Brighton & Hove Jewish Community) will depart on Friday 28 March at **1.00pm** and return on Motzei Shabbat 29 March at **~11.00pm**. Book today at the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/MABrighton25>.

### Mazal Tov!

Mazal Tov to Rabbi Yoni and Rebbetzin Dina Golker on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Yosef. Mazal Tov to the whole family!

Mazal Tov to Deborah and Dan Artman on the naming of their daughter, Lielle Shira Simcha, in shul last Shabbat. Wishing the family lots of nachat!

### Membership Dues

Membership dues have been emailed out from our admin Dani on Monday 3 February. If you did not receive an email from [admin@magenavot.com](mailto:admin@magenavot.com) (after checking your inbox and junk) then please email Dani directly to let her know.

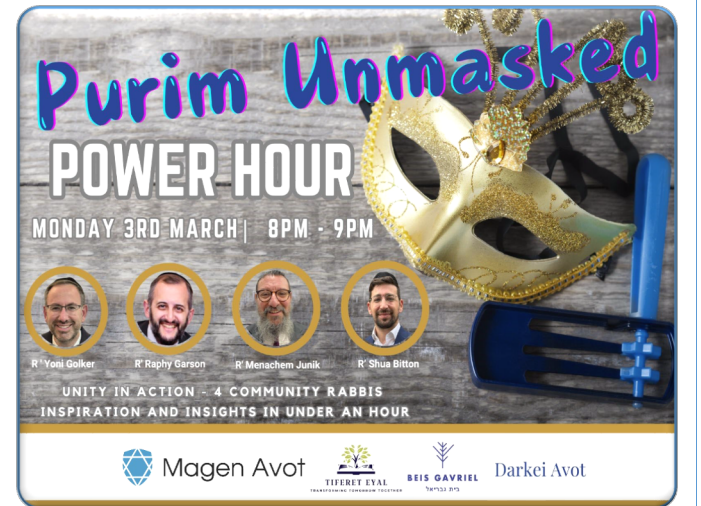
### 10 Year Anniversary Request

As we gear up to celebrate our 10th anniversary, we're putting together a special "Audio/Visual" (AV) project to highlight the journey and memories we've shared. Your contributions will help make this anniversary truly unforgettable. Submit content to Julian on 07957 777 543 or: [julianmaurer@hotmail.com](mailto:julianmaurer@hotmail.com).

### We are Hiring!

Magen Avot are looking for an additional Youth Director. If you are interested then please apply at the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/MAYouthDirector24>. If you know of someone who is interested please forward these details.

### Purim Unmasked

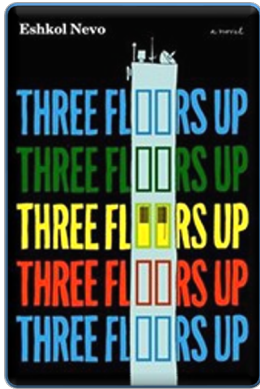


Bookings can be made here: <https://tinyurl.com/MAPurim25>  
On booking an email will be sent with the address of the event.

### Yahrzeits

16/02/2025	18 Shevat	Gila Brodie	Mother
16/02/2025	18 Shevat	Vivienne Kesztenbaum	Husband
16/02/2025	18 Shevat	Judith Perahia	Father
18/02/2025	20 Shevat	Glenn Bezalel	Father
20/02/2025	22 Shevat	Stephanie Klass	Mother
20/02/2025	22 Shevat	Elizabeth Kliman	Father
20/02/2025	22 Shevat	Simon Leigh	Father

## NEXT BOOK CLUB



The Magen Avot Book Club meets again on **Monday 17 March at 8.00pm** when we will review "Three Floors Up" by *Eshkol Nevo*.

New members welcome!

**Three Floors Up** by Eshkol Nevo is a fascinating story about three different people who live in the same apartment building near Tel Aviv. Each person lives on a different floor and shares their thoughts and feelings with someone in their own unique way.

On the first floor, Arnon is a father who loves his family very much, but he worries a lot about his young daughter. He becomes so anxious that he starts making decisions without thinking, which causes tension with his wife. To help himself, he reaches out to an old friend and tells his story over dinner.

On the second floor, Hani is a mother who spends a lot of time alone with her two children because her husband travels often for work. She feels lonely and uncertain about things happening in her life. Since she has no one nearby to talk to, she writes a long letter to a close friend in another country, hoping it will help her understand her feelings.

On the third floor, Devorah, a retired judge, is adjusting to life on her own after losing her husband. She had once followed strict rules, but now she decides to join a group of young people in the city who are speaking up about important issues. Feeling inspired, she records messages on an old answering machine, as if speaking to her late husband, to share her thoughts about her new experiences.

Each character is facing a big change in their life, and as the book moves up the floors, their stories slowly find a sense of resolution. This thoughtful and engaging novel explores how people deal with challenges and how important it is to share our thoughts with others.

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