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for Key Stage 1

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This table outlines categories and topics for the study of General Jewish Knowledge in the KS1 classes.

The units have been arranged for the different year groups in a pattern that begins with the simple and descriptive and moves towards the more sophisticated and conceptual.

This outline is designed to be a guide and support for the teaching of General Knowledge to the KS1 classes in a way that is systematic, thorough, and interesting.

Teachers should use this scheme of work as the general basis for their planning, but they need not feel obligated to cover every category and every topic. They may wish to focus on certain units and leave others altogether, or supplement certain categories with additional topics of their own choosing.

It is recommended that the teaching and learning involves as much variety

and creativity as possible. The children's interest should be stimulated and sustained with regular reference to their own experiences and with activities that are challenging, engaging and enjoyable.

Many of these topics will make the greatest impact when taught with the support and reinforcement of practical demonstrations, and the harnessing of multiple intelligences through, for example, arts and crafts, role play, music, games and group work.

It has been left for the class Kodesh teachers to schedule their delivery of these topics across the year, and to specify this in their planning.

Reception	Yr. 1	Yr. 2
Jewish People	Mitzvos We Do at Home	Mitzvos We Do for Ourselves
Rabbi Chazzan Sofer STAM Baker Shochet Butcher Fishmonger	Modeh Ani when we wake up Shema in the morning and at night Boys put on their Tzitzis when they get dressed Girls light the Shabbos candles with their mummies Kibbud Av VoEim - How do you help your parents? We say Berochos before and after eating and drinking	Learning Torah Tefilloh Berochos We look after ourselves by eating healthily and playing safely We learn to swim

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Jewish Things	Mitzvos We Do at School	Mitzvos We Do for Others
Sefer Torah, Tefillin, Mezuzoh Siddur, Machzor Tzedokoh Box Shabbos Candlesticks Kiddush Cup, Challoh Cover Havdoloh Set Kippa, Tzitzis Matzoh, Seder plate (Ke'ara) Omer Chart Arbo'oh Minim, Sukkoh Shofar Megilloh Menorah, Dreidel	We say Tefillas Shacharis every morning We learn Torah We are polite to our teachers We help each other and share our things We give Tzedokoh	Kibbud Av Vo'Eim Gemilus Chassodim Hachnassas Orchim Bikur Cholim Tzedokoh
Jewish Places	Mitzvos We Do in the Beis HaKnesses	Mitzvos We Do for Hashem
Jewish School Beis Knesses Kosher: Grocery Shop Butcher Baker Fishmonger Restaurant Israel Yerushalayim Beis HaMikdosh The Kotel / Kosel	We say Tefillos from our Siddurim We listen to Kerias HaTorah We hear the Rabbi's Deroshoh We listen to the Shofar being blown on Rosh HaShonoh We listen to the reading of Megillas Esther on Purim	Learning Torah Shabbos Kashrus Kibbud Av Vo'Eim Kiddush Hashem Not saying Hashem's Name in vain Not having idols
Jewish Foods	Mitzvos We Do When we are Out	Mitzvos We Do During the Week
Challoh, Salt Kosher Wine Meat and Fish on Shabbos Apple and Honey Honey Cake Matzoh Cheesecake, Blintzes Doughnuts, Latkes Hamentaschen	We say Tefillas HaDerech when we go on a long journey We always buy kosher food and eat in kosher restaurants We behave very well and make a Kiddush Hashem!	We wash our hands and say "Al Netilas Yadayim" in the morning We say Shacharis, Minchah and Maariv We say Berachos before and after food We wash our hands and say "Al Netilas Yadayim" before eating bread We say Birkas HaMozon after a meal with bread Boys wear tzitzis We put up a Mezuzoh on the doorpost, with a Berochoh We can go to a Chasunoh to make the Chosson and Kalloh happy We can go to a Bris Miloh

Reception	Yr. 1	Yr. 2
		Mitzvos We Do on Shabbas
		Lighting the Shabbos candles Kiddush (and Havdoloh) Two Challos Three meals Singing Zemiros Going to Shul Learning Torah

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