Tuesdays Autumn Term 2019

**Judaism 101 8.15 – 9.30pm** for those wishing to learn about the basics of Judaism, or just brush up on their knowledge.

**Sept 3** Rosh HaShanna and the Ten Days…the customs and the holy tasks of that time.

**Sept 10** Yom Kippur …why fast? What is the structure of the day?

**Sept 17** Yom Kippur…the biggie…what is sin? And then what is Repentance and how to go about it!

Saturday September 21st Shabbat service 3pm followed by tea.

5.30 pm Study session: How can God be a God of mercy and punishment? Exodus 34:6-7
7pm Supper, bring veggie food or Kosher fish to share. Havdallah.
8pm Discussion, Vidui: confession. Is it good for the soul?
9pm Selichot The most beautiful service of the year, a well-kept secret!

**Sept 24** Succot: how to build a Succah and wave a Lulav…and why.

Sunday September 29th t 7pm Rosh Hashanah evening service.
Monday September 30th 10.30 am Rosh Hashanah morning service.
Saturday October 5th 3pm Shabbat Shuvah, Sabbath of Return to God.
Tuesday October 8th 6.30pm Kol Nidrei
Wednesday October 9th 10.30 am Yom Kippur service. Fast and service ends 7.01pm

Sunday October 13th 4pm onwards, everyone welcome to come decorate the Succah.
7pm Succot dinner and short service in the Succah

**Oct 15** Simchat Torah, Revelation and Torah

Sunday October 20th 7pm Celebration of Simchat Torah with a chavurah supper, singing, dancing and lots of fun.

October 22nd no class

**Oct 29** Rituals of birth: circumcision, baby naming and blessings

**Nov 5** Coming of age: Bar and Bat Mitzvah

**Nov 12** Weddings: the customs and the meanings of the symbols

**Nov 19** Sickness, death, mourning: when life is difficult for us all.

**Nov 26** Life after death: a multitude of beliefs.

**Dec 3** Messiah or the Messianic age. A hope for a better future

**Dec 10** Ethical concerns: how do we debate these issues and how do we decide?

**Dec 17** Chanukah…especially looking at the significance for us of the Land of Israel and Jerusalem.