**Kitat Ivrit 2nd-3rd**

**Basics**

Kitat Ivrit will embark on a journey to learn and explore the Hebrew language, through which they will enrich their vocabulary, will learn the foundation of reading and writing and will learn to express themselves in Hebrew.

We work with experienced teachers and books that are approved by the Israeli Ministry of Education. The teaching is done in an experiential way using all the senses and engaging the children in a progressive way.

**Holidays**

We will get to know and learn about the Jewish holidays, the Jewish calendar and the Israeli traditions related to them. We will work with different types of media and combine songs, stories and arts to create a multi-dimensional experience in the classroom. We will dedicate between one and two classes to each holiday. In addition we will celebrate the holidays in the class or as a community.

“**Hevruta**”

Every two month we will learn a biblical story or Jewish text. The texts are specifically designed for teaching kids. We will talk about the text, learn about the characters from the stories and will find the connection between the ancient text and our lives today.

**Sample lesson plan** (which is not a holiday party or lesson)

Opening activity: task and activity related to the letter of the week. Learning Table: learning and practicing the letters and words of the week in a variety of ways including multi-media, writing, working with books, and enjoying activities involving all the senses.

Closing Meeting: Summarizing the class with an activity such as reading stories and playing words and letters games.

For your convenience, each week you will receive an email with details about what was taught in class and homework for the weekend so you can review what has been learned in the lesson and prepare homework assignments with the kids.

**Goals:**
1. The children will understand the alphabetic principle, be aware of the sounds of the Hebrew language, and recognize the letters by their names and sounds and will be able to write them.

2. The children will be able to identify and write their name in Hebrew and will be able to copy words in Hebrew.

3. The children will recognize and write words of up to three syllables.

4. The children will develop their ability to speak and understand Hebrew and enrich their vocabulary.

5. The children will develop their communication skills: they will be able to answer simple questions and present themselves in simple sentences.

6. The children will know about the holidays and will be familiar with the Israeli songs and traditions related to them.

7. The children will be familiar with biblical stories and Jewish texts.