

**3<sup>rd</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> February 2012**  
**(10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Shevat 5772)**

### **Update – Sleepout in Aid of World Jewish Relief**

Rabbi Aaron survived the cold on Saturday night together with other NPLS members in aid of World Jewish Relief's Operation Winter Survival campaign. It was 0°C in Northwood on Saturday night but minus 12°C in Kharkiv, Ukraine! Now it's your chance to help other Jews in Ukraine survive. Please consider making a donation to this worthy cause by visiting [www.mywjr.org.uk/sleepout/](http://www.mywjr.org.uk/sleepout/)

### **Celebrate Tu Bishvat with Rabbi Aaron at Kew Gardens.**

**Wednesday 8th February – 11.00am**

Enjoy the New Year for Trees in one of London's most wonderful nature spaces. Meet at Brentford Gate at the Kew Gardens car park reached via Ferry Lane, a narrow turning off Kew Green (TW9 3AF). Parking has a flat fee of £6. Rabbi Aaron will share his highlights but happy to be overruled by those more knowledgeable or particularly passionate. We will lunch at the Orangery where one can enjoy the new restaurant fare or bring your own packed lunch. **For more info: [rabbiaaron@npls.org.uk](mailto:rabbiaaron@npls.org.uk) or [www.kew.org](http://www.kew.org)**

### **Discussion group about the future of NPLS**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 8.00pm – 10.00pm "Worship"**

Any Shul member is welcome to join. The subject is "Worship", covering weddings, funerals, KT, b'mitzvahs and similar activities as well as services. While worship is of course central to NPLS, we'd like to hear your views on what we should be doing more of, less of, differently or completely new. And how can the Shul support home worship better? **Doors will be open from 7.40pm** - please be prompt so we can start to time to ensure that we finish by 10pm. Please use the front entrance to the Shul. If you have not already done so, it would be helpful if you could let Leslie Moss know that you are attending [lnmoss@email.com](mailto:lnmoss@email.com) so that we can ensure adequate seating. If you can't attend this session, there will be a "catch-up" session at the end of March covering all subjects. The next session on Thursday 16th February will be on "Education".

### **TAKE PART IN YOUTH CLUB!**

**Next date February 19th 2012 at NPLS and monthly thereafter.**

**6pm to 8pm For school years 4-9 (ages 8-14yrs)**

**Food, Fun and Games**

### **NPLS Choir on You Tube!**

You may like to view the videos of the CCJ concert the NPLS choir took part in at Emmanuel Church in December with Sine Nomine choir. To see them on YouTube [click here](#) then scroll down. The concert is split over 3 films.

### **Etz Chayim Gallery**

Barbara Fisher is retiring this summer after 10 years as curator of our gallery

Would you like to help to select and hang future exhibitions – if so please contact the synagogue office. The home page of our website has a slideshow of the synagogue's own works. Past exhibitions can be found at [www.npls.org.uk/etzchayim.htm](http://www.npls.org.uk/etzchayim.htm)

## This week's highlights

### Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February

**2pm – 4pm** Bridge takes place in the Osorio hall

### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February

**10.45 am -12.30pm** - Community of Friends 'Speaker of the Month'

**12.30pm -2.00pm** Community of Friends 'Three Course Vegetarian Lunch'

**2pm – 3.30pm** Community of Friends 'Serendipity Current Affairs'

**8.00pm – 10.00pm** – Photographic Society

### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February

**Tu Bishvat – Celebrate with Rabbi Aaron in Kew Gardens – see above for more details.**

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February

**8.00pm – 10.00pm** Discussion group about the future of NPLS "Worship".

### Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February

**10.00am-12.00noon** Come and join in. Nippers@northwood takes place in the Osorio hall

**8.30 pm** Service

### Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February

**9.30am** Tots Shabbat

**9.45am** No Cheder – Half Term

**11.00am** – Service

## Next week's highlights

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February

**3.30pm – 5.30pm NPLS Israel Committed Group** 'Are we living in a safe haven?'

Join in an afternoon of films, talks and discussion. See Website home page

### Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February

**10.30am** Arts and Crafts takes place in room off art room.

### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February

**10.30am** – Serendipity meet in room 1

**8.00pm – 10.00pm** Discussion group about the future of NPLS "Education"

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February

**10.00am-12.00noon** Come and join in. Nippers@northwood takes place in the Osorio hall

**8.30 pm** Service

## Future NPLS Events

### Come and Celebrate PURIM at NPLS!

#### Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March

**5pm** Purim Activities for kids **6.30pm** Megillah and Drama Fun with Hamentashen!

#### Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March

**11.00am** – Child Friendly Service with Purim theme

### Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March

#### **8.00 pm - Evening with Daniel Cainer**

Even those who are unfamiliar with Jewish ways of life will adore this moving portrayal offered by Daniel Cainer. 'More Jewish Chronicles' is nothing short of artistic brilliance; the effortless integration of song-writing with that of charming story-telling invites the audience to a night of light-hearted genius. From the start, Cainer's jovial persona welcomes you, his accompaniment providing rhythmic tones for comical tales of Jewish culture. It's fast-paced, incredibly amusing, and even a little bit naughty; you cannot fail to become immersed in every lyric. The sound of the audience's

disappointment at the signalling of the closing song truly demonstrates its impact. This show oozes a feel-good factor, and will leave you wanting more. £12.50 - in support of food boxes for Evpatoria Refreshments/wine/nibbles included. For details and tickets please contact: Steve Herman [stephen.herman@talk21.com](mailto:stephen.herman@talk21.com)

## Liberal Judaism and LJY- NETZER

### Routes

Are you in your 20's- 30's and looking for something different? Routes is a *social space* for all young Jews, their friends and partners, A *cultural space* for exploring heritage and connecting to our roots, A *learning space* that is relevant for today, tackling the big issues, A *spiritual space* that is non-judgemental and offers a new route.

**Monthly Routes**, Diverse events in the middle of every month with a taste of Jewish culture, thought and tradition. Monthly Routes are held at Elixir Bar, 162 Eversholt Street, NW1 1BL.

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February – Film and Falafel – 3.00pm – 6.00pm** – Savour the last hours of a wintry Shabbat with tasty Middle Eastern food, Israeli short films and a Havdallah ceremony to spice up your week.

**Contact Routes at [www.ljroutes.org](http://www.ljroutes.org) Phone Rabbi Anna on 0207 631 9821**

### **Friday 24th February - Rabbi Stephen Fuchs**

The new President of the World Union of Progressive Judaism, will be attending an open meeting at 10.30 at the Montagu Centre, 21 Maple Street. London. W1T 4BE , followed by lunch. He will also be the guest preacher the same evening at The Liberal Jewish Synagogue, 28 St John's Wood Road London NW8 7HA (service begins at 6.45). All are welcome to the meeting and/or the service. For queries about the meeting please contact the Montagu Centre via [www.liberaljudaism.org/about-us/contact-us.html](http://www.liberaljudaism.org/about-us/contact-us.html) For queries about the service please contact the LJS via <http://www.ljs.org/contact/> For further information about Rabbi Fuchs please go to <http://urjbiennial.zerista.com/profile/member/270212> This is a rare chance to hear a renowned speaker. Please do your best to take advantage of this opportunity.

### **Thursday 15th March 6.45pm for 7.00 pm**

The LJS is hosting a panel discussion on modern slavery It will feature the following experts:  
a.Brian Pomeroy, Economist, Former Chair of the Treasury's Financial Inclusion Taskforce  
b.Anthony Steen, Former Barrister, Social Worker and MP, now Leading Anti-Trafficker Campaigner c. Geraldine Van Bueren, Professor of International Human Rights Law, University of London, and Equality and Human Rights Commissioner and  
In the chair: Hazel Summerfield, Human Rights Policy Consultant  
[www.ljs.org/calendar/events/700/why-is-slavery-still-thriving/](http://www.ljs.org/calendar/events/700/why-is-slavery-still-thriving/)

## LJY Netzer

LJY Netzer Nechalim Activity (mid)Weekend

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> February @ NPLS Ages 11-13 (school years 7-8) £60.00

LJY Netzer Yamim Activity Weekend

11<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> February @ Kingston Liberal Synagogue Ages 13-14 (school years 9-10) £40.00

LJY Netzer Plagim Activity Weekend

11<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> February @ Bristol and West Progressive Jewish Congregation School years 3-6 £40.00

For more details of these activities click [www.ljy-netzer.org/coming-up/](http://www.ljy-netzer.org/coming-up/)

## **Wider Community**

### **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February**

**7.30pm-10.00pm** Jewish Genealogical Society of Great Britain (The Chilterns Regional Group) meet in the Osorio hall

### **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

**1.30pm-3.30pm** JACS meet in the Osorio hall

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