

FAMILY EVENTS FOR YOU

Sunday, January 27

STEM Extravaganza!
1418 Pleasant Valley Way,
West Orange
2 pm

Join Golda Och Academy for hands-on STEM activities in their Dr Lynne B Harrison STEM Center. Best for ages 5-7. [Register here to reserve your spot.](#)

[More Info](#)

Updated frequently....

Check out the [JFamily Calendar](#) for family programs, mommy & me's, tot shabbats and more, all throughout Greater MetroWest. All events are open to the community!

[More Info](#)



Sunday, February 10


PJ Library in the USA: Our Founding Fathers
146 Dover Chester Road,
Randolph
12:30pm

Join Gottesman RTW Academy in a 'roadtrip' to Pennsylvania and explore the Jewish values of our country's founders. Make your own pretzels and chocolate treats. [Register here!](#)



[More Info](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

-  **Sunday, February 24 - Erica Rabner in Concert**
10:30 AM, 122 Gregory Avenue, West Orange (Golda Och Academy Lower School)
-  **Thursday, February 28 - NextDor Parents Only event at YESTERcades** 151 E. Broad Street, Westfield. Details coming soon
-  **Sunday, March 10 - PJ Library in the USA: Louisiana: Just Bead It!**
12:30 PM, 146 Dover Chester Road, Randolph (Gottesman RTW Academy)
-  **Sunday, March 10 - Purim Arts Fun**
10:30 AM, 122 Gregory Avenue, West Orange (Golda Och Academy Lower School)
-  **Sunday, April 7 - CommUNITY Mitzvah Day**
A day filled with hands-on volunteer experiences for all ages and stages, taking place all over Greater MetroWest. Don't miss this meaningful community event! Stay tuned for more information.

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RECIPES, CRAFTS & FAMILY FUN

Make it Grow App

Help fruit trees and magical gardens grow in this family-friendly fun *Tu b'Shevat*-inspired app.

9 Ways to Celebrate Tu B'Shevat With Kids

Celebrate the earth any time of the year with these family-friendly easy tips.

Tasty Treats for Tu B'Shevat

Honor *Tu B'Shevat*, also known as the Jewish New Year for trees, with a mix of savory and sweet treats.

What's Jewish About Recycling?

The Jewish value of *baal tashchit*, Hebrew for “do not destroy”, is all about **not wasting stuff** and helping the environment. These books, videos, and activities can help your family get started.

10 Books About Doing the Right Thing

Doing the “right thing” is not always easy, especially as kids get older. The stories in this list offer helpful ideas to inspire the whole family.

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Take the next steps to get
your child more free books.



AGES 8.5 - 11
CHOOSE YOUR BOOKS

[SIGN UP FOR PJ OUR WAY](#)

January's PJ Our Way Book Selection

From a beautiful story of friendship and nature told by a wish tree (just in time for Tu B'Shevat) to a boy's struggle to balance his love of baseball and his family's observance of Shabbat to a lighthearted coming-of-age book with a

fun, supernatural twist to a quirky Borscht Belt comedy, there are **four great selections** for you to choose this month! Make your pick by January 10th.

How to Get Your Tween to Read More than Just the Cereal Box

Getting our little ones in front of a book is relatively easy. But as our children move into their tween years, their love of literacy can get buried under timed homework. Check out these **15 strategies** that will get your tween psyched about reading again.

PJ Our Way Has Landed in Canada

The next chapter of PJ Library for kids ages 8.5-11 is now **available in Canada!** Tell a friend or family member today.

MORE FROM THE PJ OUR WAY BLOG

FROM OUR COMMUNITY



Hello PJ Library family!

Welcome to all of our new families! We hope that in between reading your books, you'll enjoy the information in this monthly e-newsletter, and even attend some events!

I work with an incredible group of professionals at **Jewish Federation of Greater MetroWest NJ** and together we can answer any questions you might have:

Judaism Your Way

Leemor Ellman, For Families with Young Children, (973) 929-2979

Justin Sakofs, For Families with School Age Children, (973) 929-2980

Adult Programs for Under 45ish

Rena Abrams, NextDor, (973) 929-2983

Hands On Volunteering For All Ages

Lindsay Norman, Center for Volunteerism, (973) 929-2948

Greater MetroWest ABLE, Inclusive Opportunities For All Children

Rebecca Wanatick, ABLE, (973) 929-3129

Greater MetroWest Jewish Camp

Tracy Levine, Camp, (973) 929-2970

Greater MetroWest Day School Initiative

Rebecca Hindin, Day Schools, (973) 929-2962

Whether you are new to the community or simply looking to make connections with other parents or families we are all here to help you along your Jewish journey any way we can.

Be in touch with any of us - we'd love to hear from you! Shabbat Shalom and Happy New Year!

Warmly,
Andrea Bergman, Director, PJ Library and Special Projects
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