



Rabbi Dov Whitman



Rabbi Shimon Felix

Bialik's New Leadership in Judaic Studies and Jewish Life

Bialik High School students are being welcomed back to school not just by Ken Scott, its new principal, but also by new leadership in Jewish Studies and Life: Rabbi Shimon Felix and Rabbi Dov Whitman.

Aside from experience in formal education, Rabbi Felix was the Executive Director of the Bronfman Youth Fellowships in Israel, and prior to that, Assistant and Advisor to the Chief Rabbi of Great Britain. Rabbi Whitman has his Master's in Education from McGill University where he also worked as a Jewish Educator for Hillel and a McGill Chaplain together with chaplains of other faiths.

Together, they have vast experience with youth from the full range of Jewish backgrounds from unaffiliated to Orthodox. In Rabbi Felix's words: "To engage our students, to inspire them to connect and care, we must present them with a Judaism which is serious, honest, relevant to their lives, and which addresses their needs and concerns, as well as those of their community. In order to give the student a Judaism that he or she can come to know, and love, the material we study, and the activities in which we engage, must address issues and ideas of the utmost importance – how human beings should live, what our personal and communal identities, values, hopes and obligations should be, and what, as Jews – and as people – should be our place in the world."

Rabbis Felix and Whitman will provide essential, dynamic Jewish leadership through direction, guidance, inspiration and support for Judaic Studies curriculum development and the Jewish life of Bialik.

Bialik has undergone a period of self-evaluation and reflection, which has led to a new School Improvement Plan and a focus on the direction the school will take in Judaic Studies. Recognizing the need to attract the best possible Jewish leadership for Bialik to foster its pluralistic Jewish environment, the JPPS-Bialik Board reached out internationally and together with the Leadership Council played a critical role in the search process along with key community partners: Dr. Karen Gazith, Director of Education for the Bronfman Jewish Education Centre, and Rabbis Bright (Shaare Zedek Congregation), Poupko (Beth Israel Beth Aaron Congregation), Levy (McGill) and Aigen (Congregation Dorshei Emet).

Principal Ken Scott, together with Rabbis Felix and Whitman, is intent on enhancing the centrality and vitality of the Jewish mission of the school, ensuring that Bialik's students benefit from a vibrant Jewish experience, including meaningful and exciting Judaic studies throughout their education.

Bialik is committed to pursuing a course of excellence in both general and Judaic studies. These modifications, as part of the School Improvement Plan, promise to add significant value to the Bialik educational experience, and are a tangible demonstration of the schools commitment to excellence.

with the KIDS

Friday, September 2

Parents and Tots Story Time at the Ecomuseum Zoo. 10AM-11AM. Join us for a special story-time featuring animals of Québec. Meet and touch some of our reptile and amphibian friends and participate in fun animal craft. Free with the regular admission price.

Make your own Bottle Bag at le Musée des Maites Artisans du Québec. Along with your school bag, you might also need a water bottle to go back to class. With your bottle bag you won't have to worry about losing your bottle. Ages 5 & up. 2PM. 615 Sainte-Croix Ave. 514-747-7367. Reservations required. \$14 for a family of 4, \$2 for each additional family member.

The Lion King at Place des Arts through September 4. Click link for further details and to purchase tickets

Saturday, September 3

The Monarch Odyssey at 2:30 p.m. Join the Insectarium's experts as they tag monarchs before they head off on their long journey to Mexico.

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Play for Poverty : 2-5 PM, Parc du Mont Royal (mountain top – close to playground next to Beaver Lake) 1260 Ch. Remembrance. Come and enjoy a fun afternoon with friends and family! End Poverty Now presents Play for Poverty in cooperation with the newly released in Canada family game KOOB! Bring your family, friends and co-workers!

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Sunday, September 4

Breakfast with the Offers! at the Ecomuseum Zoo 8AM-10:30AM. A continental breakfast will be served, followed by a special presentation on offers. You will have the opportunity to prepare the

morning meal for our 2 offers and watch them closely as they dig in! Reservation required. Minimum age 3 years old. Member: \$22.50, Non-member: \$25

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Monday, September 5

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Congregation Beth Tikvah Annual Family Picnic Free admission- Free music-Free corn on the cob-Free watermelon! Burgers, hot dogs and drinks available for purchase. Centennial Park in DDO 4PM TO 7PM. Call 514-683-5610 for details

Tuesday, September 6th

The Art & Science of Happiness with Guest Speaker Gillian Leithman. Congregation Beth Tikvah Lecture Series. Contact Rabbi Mark Fishman for details. 514-683-5610 or rabbi-mark@bethtikvah.qc.ca

Wednesday, September 7th

Teshuva and the book of Jonah - Is repentance fair? With Guest Speaker Vicky Szyf. Congregation Beth Tikvah Lecture Series. Contact Rabbi Mark Fishman for details. 514-683-5610 or rabbi-mark@bethtikvah.qc.ca

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