

NEMS update for AGM

During the last year NEMS has

1. Agreed with Oaks Lane to roll over the contract to allow us to remain the present premises
2. We have welcomed Student Rabbi Tim who has visited NEMS for Oneg's, Shabbat Services and learning sessions. He has also supported a number of our members pastorally the feedback has been positive; however, Tim studies will be taking him to Boston from September and we are therefore looking at other possible visiting scholar and rabbinic support and we will be welcoming in the coming months to NEMS
 - A. Leon Fenster
 - B. Rabbi Martina Loreggian
 - C. Rabbi Rose

Please look out for more information in the newsletter and via email on their forthcoming visits.

3. We have this year, started to build firmer links with MJ and have been delighted to welcome Martha Limberg Director of Communities to a Shul service, and she has also attended a number of executive meetings and has provided us with helpful input around. future rabbinic input
4. Sadly, for NEMS Jacqui has decided that now is the time to take a well-earned rest from her role as a NEMS administrator and she will be retiring after the High Holy Days, we will be advertising her post shortly (slightly different from the present role) please look out for it and share with people who may be interested. We thank Jacqui for all her hard work and we will be arranging a bigger thank you at a later date.
5. We have continued over the last year to hold Shabbat Services, and have re-introduced the very popular Oneg's on a more regular basis,
6. We have thanks to Guy and Rachel, and with Sara head of catering, had very popular fund raises quizzes for the Shul
7. We were delighted to support **Shaarei Zedek** for the Yom Kippur Appeal (please check spellings) and this year we will be supporting **Genetics (please check this)**
8. We are NEMS were devastated at the death of Itzhak Elga rat one of the hostages who we had adapted and prayed for his safe return. We now remember Bar Kiersten and pray for his safe return and also, we pray for the return of Ronen Angel body so that he can be laid to rest by his family
9. We at NEMS remember Renee Bravo our Honouree President – we miss her wisdom, wit and compassion
10. The executive do their best but would appreciate new people coming forward to assist as with such a small executive, it is hard to co-ordinate all of the different jobs which are required to not only keeps NEMS going but also thriving.