

## Catching the Spark



### BATSHEVA WOLF

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This week's parasha starts with the words "And Yitro heard". Yitro heard about the miracles that God did for

the Jewish people, and as a result he packed his bags and joined the Jewish nation.

Very often in life we hear something which lights a spark of inspiration in us. A beautiful story, a song, or words of wisdom – something that makes us feel that we want to do better, we want to

be better. However, sadly, if we don't catch that spark, it is gone as fast as it came! Yitro's actions show us: if you become inspired, do something about it straight away. Act on your inspiration so that, just like Yitro, we can become the best people we can possibly be.

## Tribe in Numbers – Winter Edition

- **Shabbatonim in 10 primary schools** this term, engaging with over **450** primary school students.
- **Succot programming** in schools for **over 1,400 students**.
- Projects and **'Lunch & Learns'** in secondary schools for **over 2,000 students**, including Yavneh & JFS.
- Regular **university campus visits** - engaging with **600+** university students.
- **3,500 Simchat Torah flags** sent out to shuls, schools and chedarim.
- Running **a new Leadership Course for Year 12 students** in JFS, with weekly sessions from October until May.
- For the first time ever, Tribe has **3 'Banot Sherut'** from Israel working with us. As part of their national service contribution, they have come to the UK to volunteer in the Jewish community.
- A **trip to Poland** took place for years 12 & 13 with **over 50 students** - the biggest trip since the pandemic.
- **Student Bet Midrash** (in partnership with Bnei Akiva and Mizrachi) at Finchley Synagogue (Kinloss) with **over 50 participants weekly**, including dinner.
- Student Bet Midrash ran a very successful **Shabbaton** with **over 40 participants**.
- Tribe runs **Youth Director training sessions**, with a weekend away coming up in January.

