The Kayam Interfaith Farm School programs celebrate diversity of plants and people by engaging a group of children and parents from various cultural-religious heritages. Together we grow our food and our knowledge of faith based environmental traditions; learning about earth, ecology and the beauty of both our natural and human communities.

As part of our initiative, we are creating a children’s rainbow garden. The rainbow motif celebrates the program’s multicultural focus. In addition, these seven beds serve as the “sight” element in the garden’s greater purpose as an interactive sensory ecological experience.

The Rainbow theme also has great biblical significance. Appearing in the story of Noah, the motif reflects God’s covenant with the Earth and our responsibility to that covenant. Its especially relevant in an interfaith discussion where the seven Noachide laws represent Judaism’s interpretation for a universal foundation of morality.
In honor of Rainbow Day, Kayam has planned a planting and learning session in the Rainbow Garden. Our interfaith community will be planting vegetables and flowers corresponding to each color of the rainbow. Integrated into this program shall be a discussion of the Noah story, the 7 Noachide laws and a sharing of stories and traditions around these themes.

Meet our interfaith Farm school community in our rainbow garden!

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