Clore Columns

Attendance: 96.3% Our Target Attendance: 97% Punctuality: 99% Our Target Punctuality: 99%

Class punctuality prize: Year 4



From Mrs Blaker

Dear Parents

We have had a wonderful end to the week with our amazing choir performing in Kabbalat Shabbat. Thank you also to Rabbi Gershon who visited us. It's been a busy week with preparations for the Celebrations of Faith going well, and of course, Year 2's fantastic trip to the Tower of London. Thank you so much to Mrs Drew for arranging such a wonderful historic experience.

If you would like to find out more about our assemblies this week please see my padlet here.

You may have seen in the playground my new Book Hub. We have placed this next to the covered seating area. This will be a place for parents, staff and children to leave unwanted childrens' books, and take freely anything they would like. If you would like to take some books home for your children, please feel free to take from the Book Hub. The books do not need to be returned. This initiative is a simple way to encourage reading, and allow children to experience new books in a sustainable way. If you have any old childrens' books at home that you are happy to be placed in the Book Hub, please send them into school with your child. I hope that this is a useful venture to families, and I would like to thank the PTA for allowing us to buy the Book Hub. Children will also be able to take books to enjoy during break, and if they like them they can bring them home. They do not need to be returned as I hope we will be replenishing the Hub with new books whenever families have books to give.

Have a Shabbat Shalom and a good weekend

Children who have been to see me with good work: Johnny and Cole. Congratulations to all the children who have

received bronze dojo awards.



The new book hub.



PTA - UPDATE

WE HAVE RAISED...

Movie Madness

£900

Non Uniform Day

£211

Chanukah Market

£449



All monies raised are to help and assist with Mrs Blakers Wish List

Mrs Blakers - Wish List

- Touchscreen Chromebooks
- Exercise outdoor equipment & Playtime equipment
- Reading Shed
- **New Books & Author Events**
- Air Conditioning







PTA PRESENTS



CLORE SHALOM WINTER WONDERLAND

10TH DECEMBER

3-6PM

£5 PER TICKET £20 FAMILY TICKET (5 PEOPLE) GRANDPARENTS FREE



*ARTS & CRAFTS WORKSHOP

*EDIBLE ART WORKSHOP

£4 PER WORKSHOP FIRST COME FIRST SERVE



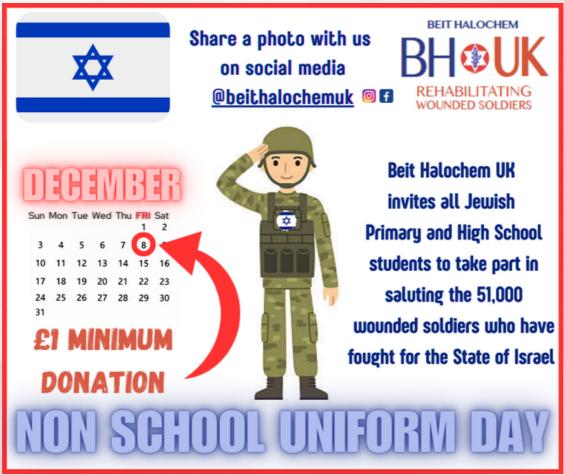
ACTIVITIES

FIREWORKS
HAIR BRAIDING
ROBOT WARS
HOT DOGS & DONUTS
INFLATABLES
STORY TELLING
& MUCH MORE

TO BOOK YOUR PLACES PLEASE COMPLETE THE GOOGLE FORM.

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MRS BLAKER'S BOOK CLUB



Reception and Year 1: Chino loves to play with her mother's sleeping scarf. Join her and her family as she uses her imagination to bring the scarf to life.



Years 2-4:
Keisha wants to be an activist like her great aunt. Can she work with her friends to bring about real change in her community?



Years 5-6:
Rani wants to be a reporter.
Find out what happens
when she comes across a
real life mystery and sets
out to solve it with her
grandma helping out. Will
she get the story of a
lifetime?



Class Reminders

Please ensure reading folders are brought in every day - thank you.

Please make sure you are practising sounds and cvc words sent home with your children- thank you.

If you have any medium or large cardboard boxes we would love them for Monday and Tuesday- thank you .

Thank you for all your glass jars!

Year 1

Please can you practise at home the concept of fact family and number bonds to 10.

There is an optional activity to complete on Purple Mash-'Bond Bubbles' (set on 2Dos).

Pick up time- please make sure your child stays next to you after you collected them. Children are not allowed to go on the climbing frame to avoid any accidents and injuries.

Year 2

Year 2 have earned their class reward so on Friday 8th December they can come to school in their pyjamas and bring in a teddy bear. Please make sure they are able to go to the toilet in whatever they choose to wear and that their teddy is labelled. Spellings are on Purple Mash and times tables on TTRS as always.

Year 3

Please continue to hear your child read every day and sign in their reading records. Times table rock stars and purple mash spelling quizzes are available to complete online.

Year 4

Year 5

In January we are starting a new guided reading book 'The Queens Nose' by Dick King Smith. We would really appreciate if you could provide a copy of the book for your children.

Please can the children bring in roughly A3 sized thick card for Monday. This is for a roman re-enactment the following week. Just to remind you, we have our Roman Day next Wednesday (6th). Please can children dress up.

Please can you make sure that your child comes in with their reading record every day and that they are reading as much as possible at home.

Netball Reminder:

If netballers wear earrings, please ensure they have ear tape in their bag. Thank you.



Congratulations to:

Reception: Ella

Year 1: Caitlin

Year 2: Hallie

Year 3: Sienna L

Year 4: Mia

Year 5: 7ack

Year 6: Thomas





Ella C - Age 10

Jonah M - Age 11

Cecelia G - Age 11





What we are learning this week

Reception

We have had a fabulous week learning about Space. We learnt through a fantastic text called 'Man on the Moon' where we discussed if we thought Aliens were real or not. We practised some invitation writing and invited some members of the school for our picnic on the moon and enjoyed making some tasty jam sandwiches for this. In maths we continue to learn how to make 4 and 5 in different ways, we have also been using our 3d shape knowledge to build rockets. In phonics we continue to revisit set 1 sounds, practise blending and practise handwriting. A highlight of this week has been our space pens where children have been writing secret messages to friends and family.

Year 1

This week we had our first Celebration of faith rehearsal with years 2 and 3.

Maths - this week we have been learning about fact families and number bonds within 10.

Example:

6+2=8

2+6=8

8=6+2

8=2+6.

English- This week we innovated (made changes) the story 'The little red hen' and planned our own version of the story. When we write, we always remind ourselves to start our sentence with a capital letter, leave spaces between words and put a full stop at the end.

Science - We made rain gauges to help us investigate how much rain we get each day. We check each day the amount of rain in the rain gauge and record it in a table.

Year 2

The big news of the week in Year 2 was our amazing trip to the Tower of London. The children really enjoyed acting out scenes from the Great Fire of London in our workshop, spotting the six ravens that look after the Tower and especially getting a glimpse of the stunning crown jewels. Thanks again to all the parents who came with and helped on the day.

In Maths, we have been learning about subtracting across a 10, and how we can use number bonds to 10 to help us with these calculations

In English, the children wrote their own explanation texts based on the story of Chanukah, including title, an introduction, conclusion and lots of facts.

In Art, the children created a Year 2 art gallery to display all the artwork inspired by maps they have created over the past few weeks. Mrs Blaker and Mrs Bean came to wander round the gallery and ask the children about their work. They were very impressed!

Year 3

This week in Maths, Year 3 have been learning about adding and subtracting ones, tens and hundreds.

This week in English, Year 3 have been beginning to learn about instruction writing by performing an instructions text map of how to make jam on toast.

In Science this week, Year 3 have been learning about how shadows are created and transparent, translucent and opaque materials.

Year 4

Year 4 have had a busy week writing a narrative poem, focusing on rhythm and rhyme. In Maths we have been subtracting and regrouping column method. In Science we have been learning about the water cycle and what happens during the process of evaporation.

Year 5

This week we have learnt about rounding to check our answers in Maths. We have also written character descriptions in English. In History, we looked at how Coventry has changed before and after 1945.

Year 6

This week, we have started our interviews for our responsibilities. The panel will be meeting next week and pupils will be informed of our new jobs at the end of next week. In Science, we investigated the reflection of light. In English, we have been learning about an animation called 'The Present'. In Art, we have taking photographs for a new album cover, which we will edit next week.



This week in Ivrit

Reception: We learnt about the festival of Chanukah. We learnt vocabulary related to Chanukah: sufganiya (doughnut), leviva (latke), chanukiah (menorah), nerot (candles), sevivon (dreidel). The children enjoyed challenging themselves by remembering some of these new lvrit vocabulary.

- Year 1: We learnt the letter Final Chaf as in the words Baruch and Melech
- **Year 2**: We continued learning the vowel 'Ah'. In pairs, the children enjoyed reading aleph-bet letters combined with the vowel 'Ah' in a random order.
- **Year 3**: We practiced reading words containing the vowels 'Ah' and 'Eh' and played interactive games with these words.
- **Year 4**: We learnt the vowel 'shvah' (:), which sounds like the letter it is combined with. The children had 3 challenges: reading letters with the new vowel in aleph-bet order, reading it in a random order, and reading it combined with other learnt vowels.
- **Year 5**: We learnt how to say where we live in Ivrit: 'ani gar' (male), 'ani gara' (female). We practiced writing script letters from 'aleph' to 'samech'. The children challenged themselves by writing family members in script.
- **Year 6**: We learnt how to say where we live in Ivrit: 'ani gar' (male), 'ani gara' (female). We also learnt to say what we like in Ivrit: 'ohev' (male), 'ohevet' (female). The children practiced writing script letters from 'aleph' to 'chaf sofit' and challenged themselves by writing words in script.

This week in JS

Reception learnt about the festival Chanukah. The children watched a short video about the story of Chanukah and answered questions throughout it, to test their understanding. The children learnt to play a dreidel game, as well as learning how we light the Chanukiah over 8 days. On paper, the children created a Chanukiah using their handprints and 2 different coloured paints. They then added a candle where each finger is, and the thumbs together made the shamash. We also enjoyed singing Chanukah songs together.

We learned the story of Hanukkah in **Year 1** and played a memory game with the main symbols of the holiday.

In **Year 2** we learned about Joseph and his famous coat. We drew pictures to match the events of the story and designed a coat of many colours.

We discussed the main events of the Hanukkah story in **Year 3** and played a board game to memorise the names of the symbols in Ivrit.

Year 4 practiced reading a short Hanukkah story in Ivrit.

Year 5 had a challenge of solving a Hanukkah crossword to see how much we know about the holiday. We discussed the main events and put the story in the correct order.

Year 6 reviewed Tikun Olam. We split into 5 groups and each read and discussed questions related to each subject. Than each group presented their findings to the class.

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DSPL6 & Hertsmere Schools' Partnership SEND Parent Information & Support Group

Are you the parent / carer of a child / young person with SEND?

Come along to our monthly parent / carer support groups in Potters Bar and Borehamwood. Each session consists of an informal chat with other parents/ carers and the chance to listen to an experienced speaker on topics that may affect your child and family. We run the groups in 2 locations – please feel free to attend either or both.

Tuesday 5th December 2023

10 Leeming Road, Borehamwood, WD6 4DU

09:15 - 10:45am

Please email sendHSP@mountgrace.herts.sch.uk for more information and to register your interest – but no need to book in advance – feel free to just turn up on the day. Refreshments will be provided.



NURTURE

We read a part of the wonderful book, "The Day the Crayons Quit" and talked about the crayons response to the feelings they were having, which then led to a discussion all around what we can and can't control. The older group had a great debate about whether the focus should be on controlling our own responses, or controlling the other people around us, but they all finally agreed that it is up to them to focus on controlling their own responses, rather than trying to control others. We then explored a range of strategies we can use and developed a plan for strategies they would like to use if feeling strong emotions. We will review these next week, so please encourage your children to talk about which strategies they included and what has been workable or not.