

# Clore Columns

Attendance: 95% Our Target Attendance: 97%

Punctuality: 95% Our Target Punctuality: 99%

Class punctuality prize: Year 5



We have had a fantastic week in school with the Year 2 assembly being a real highlight. Thank you to Mrs Drew and Mrs Rabinovitch who enabled the class to give us a clear, confident and entertaining presentation about what they have learned so far this year. We also had a visit this week from basketball professional Chris Tawiah who inspired us with the story of how he grew his career and how to grow in sports. All the children had a chance to try some basketball skills, and let's just say that we have one member of staff who is very talented with a basketball!

I had a very productive meeting with our Parent Reps this week and it was so useful to hear parents' comments and ideas. I would really like to thank our parent reps who put so much time into ensuring that communication between home and school goes smoothly. One of the on-going issues we discussed was that of school catering, and I have written about this in greater length in the letter attached to our email.

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As we come to end of another jam-packed half term, I hope you all have a relaxing and enjoyable break, and I look forward to seeing you and the children back refreshed on 26th February.

Shabbat Shalom and have a good weekend

Mrs Blaker

**Children who have come to see me with great work this week:**

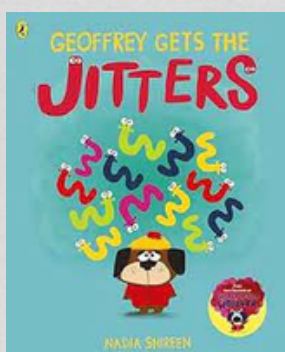
Jayden, Daniel, Jessie, Rafi, Blake, Mila and Maxi.

If you would like to see what we have been talking about in assembly this week, please click [here](#).

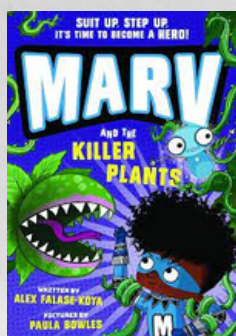
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# MRS BLAKER'S BOOK CLUB

We had really successful book club meetings on Wednesday and I am looking forward to further meetings next half term!



Reception and Year 1:  
Find out what happens when Geoffrey gets nervous - what can he do about the jitters in his tummy that happens when he starts to worry?



Years 2-4:  
Marv may look like an ordinary boy but he has a super-powered suit that helps him not only save the day but help others be better people. But what happens when Marv starts to feel jealous of another person's success?



Years 5-6:  
Step back to the lives of the earliest humans as we follow Tuli and her tribe as they move to their summer camp. But a stranger is threatening to change the way that Tuli and her family have always lived - is change always a bad thing?



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Thank you to everyone who took part and raised money for the Chris Tawiah visit. The children loved meeting Chris and completing the fitness challenge. We raised a grand total of £1362! Well done to everyone.



Beit Halochem came in to thank all the children for their amazing fundraising efforts. They presented the school with an award.



## Celebration Tea

### Congratulations to:

Reception: Savannah

Year 1: Luca

Year 2: Sloane

Year 3: Talia

Year 4: Seth

Year 5: Ruby

Year 6: Daniel

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# Class Reminders

## Reception

Next term we are learning about Pirates for the first week back we need:

- Kitchen roll tubes
- Magazines
- Plastic bottles of different sizes
- 1p and 2p coins for our science lesson on Thursday
- Tin foil

Thank you!

## Year 1

1. Please remind your child that toys should be kept at home.
2. Please continue to read with your child at least 3 time a week and sign in their reading record.
3. If you have any school library books at home, please return them to school. Thank you!

## Year 2

Please make sure you are reading with your child regularly at home and that their reading folders are coming into school every day. Over half term, there will be a spelling quiz set on Purple Mash and times tables are set on TTRS for those who want to practise.

## Year 3

Thank you for everyone who sent in the brown paper bags and packaging paper.

Please make sure your child is practicing their times tables, either on times table rock stars or verbally with an adult.

Have a restful half term.

## Year 6

On Wednesday 6th March at 8.45am, Mrs Surey will be hosting a SATS Meeting for Year 6 parents. The meeting should be no longer than 20 minutes. Please do not worry if you are unable to attend as the presentation will be emailed to all parents.

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# What we are learning this week

## Reception

What an amazing week we have had learning about Chinese New Year. The children learnt some traditional Chinese dancing, played instruments to Chinese music and taste tested lots of different foods. We look at China on Google Earth and compared it to where we live now. In literacy we had great fun creating our own 'Would you Rather Scenario's.' This was planned around the children's interests as it is their favourite book at the moment. In maths we continue to learn about the composition of 9 and 10 including the start of number bonds. We have had such a special half term with the children and we are so proud of them all. Have a lovely break and thank you for your support!

## Year 1

**Maths-** We have been learning different strategies to subtract numbers within 20. We used "If I know...then I know" method (For example: if I know that  $8-5=3$ , then I know that  $18-5=13$ ).

**English-** We have been learning about imperative verbs (bossy verbs) and included them in our writing. We also identified features of an instructional text such as: title, 'you will need' list, time words (first, then, next...), imperative verbs (get, put, cut...) and adverbs (carefully, gently, slowly...).

**Science-** This week we focused on the human body parts and their job. We also had a special visitor! Thank you to Mr Nemenyi for bringing Rocco to our classroom. We loved learning about dogs and their needs. We had a chance to ask questions, give Rocco treats and to stroke him.

**Flourish-** We have been learning about making good choices. We understand that we make so many choices during the day and for each choice that we make there is consequence. Good or no so good. We now know that consequence can be positive, like: making someone happy, making friends, get a reward...

**RE -** We have been learning about Lent and the way Christians celebrate it. For many people, Lent is a period of reflection and preparation before Easter celebrations. We made Kindness jars to help us think about being kind and helpful. Please help your child to be more considerate towards others with this handy Kindness Jar.

**Ivrit-** We learnt the letter Pe (פ)

Have a restful half term break!

## Year 2

This week in Maths, we have been learning how to make and add equal groups. This led on to introducing the multiplication symbol to the children and using it to write number sentences.

In English, we have been looking at stories that contain commands and we have been practising using imperative verbs in our writing. At the end of the week, they planned and wrote their own story using commands.

In Science we discussed what being hygienic means and we discussed ways we can avoid spreading germs. We did an experiment with glitter to highlight how easily germs are spread and we found that we needed lots of soap and water to get rid of the 'germs'.

For RE morning, we looked at the Christian period of Lent and discussed how it is a time of reflection to show kindness.. The children made kindness jars (thanks for sending in the jars!) and the idea is that they pick one note out each day and put it into action.

## Year 3

In Maths this week, Year 3 have been learning commutative calculations and multiplying 2 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers without regrouping.

In English this week, Year 3 have been learning about explanation texts.

In Science this week, Year 3 have been learning all about soil and the different layers.

## Year 4

This week Year 4 have been learning all about perimeter and units of measure in Maths. We have had a very exciting lesson learning about the keyword 'perimeter' by using ourselves to create a rectangle and having classmates walking around us to 'become the perimeter'.

We've been very creative in English with our sentences to persuade Mrs Khan to get a hypothetical class pet. On Friday we re-enacted the story of Rama and Sita and made rangoli designs with coloured rice when learning about the Hindu festival of Diwali.

## Year 5

In Maths, we have started our multiplication and division unit. During English, we did an overwrite of a persuasive paragraph, afterwards we planned and wrote a piece of shared writing with the aim of persuading someone to go to Camp Green Lake. In Science this week we learnt about Maggie Aderin-Pocock, a British scientist who dreams of one day going into space!

## Year 6

In Maths, we have been learning about decimals in different contexts. In English, we planned and produced our own versions of Cogheart in the style of Peter Bunzl. In DT, we are excited, as we have been designing and cutting the fabric for our own waistcoats for our end of year play, a stuffed toy or for our Buddy!

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## This week in Ivrit

This week in Ivrit we recapped everything we have learnt this term with all the different skills.

Reception: We recapped all learnt phrases and practiced using 'ani', 'ata' and 'at' with our peers.

Year 1: We learnt the letter Pay.

Year 2: We practiced the vowels 'Ah' and 'Eh'. The children played a board game in pairs as well as interactive games.

Year 3: The children completed a worksheet where they recognised and sorted basic phrases into a male and female category. We also practiced our speaking skills through playing interactive games.

Year 4: We recapped all the learnt vowels using games. The children also practiced writing all the members of the family in Ivrit.

Year 5: We recapped all the learnt vowels in groups. The children wrote all the vocabulary related to the topic 'birthday' in Ivrit, and some challenged themselves to write in script.

## This week in Jewish Studies

**Reception:** We finished and recapped the 7 days of creation. The children went through each day and sang the creation song together.

**Year 1:** heard the story about Hagar and Ishmael and how her faith in God saved them. The children played a game where they searched for hidden around the classroom phonics words to find the ones that were related to the story.

**Year 2:** learned the weekly Parasha about G\_d telling the Israelites to build him a temporary place where they can meet and pray for him. We discussed different shelters the people could have used, how it looked and the object in there.

**Year 3:** had a fun lesson reviewing the story of Joseph. They wrote facts about Joseph on pieces of coloured paper and used them to make Joseph's coat of many colours.

**Year 4:** created a Purim Megillah with drawings and writing to decorate the hall for Purim.

**Year 5:** had a challenge of completing a coded message about David looking up answers in the Samuel 1 17:40-51 text.

**Year 6:** watched the end of the BBC Anne Frank movie.

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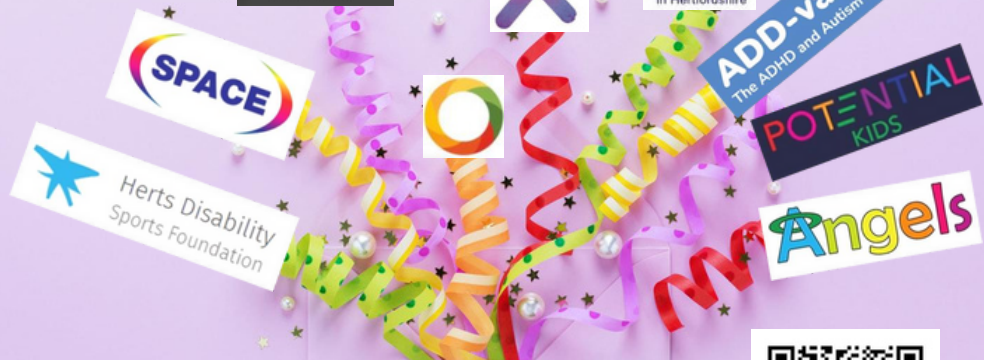
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