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# Clore Columns

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## **From Mrs Blaker**

We have had another great week of learning, and are getting particularly excited about preparing for Sukkot. I can see our school Sukkah outside the window and am really excited about decorating it and our Sukkah visits next week – if the rain holds off!

I've had some fantastic meetings this week with our amazing PTA chairs, and I would really like to express my deep appreciation to them and to all the members of the PTA for everything they do for the school. When I was applying for this position earlier this year, I was blown away by the descriptions of the PTA events on the school website. I think it was the words 'tropical bingo' that finally convinced me to send that form off! In all seriousness, as parents you lead incredibly busy lives and I know there are many demands on your time. I (and the rest of the staff team) are so grateful for all the work of the PTA – they raise invaluable funds for our school which we use to make our curriculum offer even better, and that benefits all our children. Please make every effort to read the accompanying letter about the re-launch of the PTA, and I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the AGM on the 3rd October at 8pm.

You can read about my assembly this week on my padlet here

Have a restful and relaxing weekend, and Chag Sameach

Tues 26-Fri 29 September Call for decorations

Sukkot at Clore

This year we are asking for decorations to create an exhibition on the theme of

#### "Nature Near Me"

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Photos, paintings, sculptures from found items that can be hung in our sukkah can be brought in by children and left in the Beit Tefillah. Please avoid using plastic in your creations so that they can be put in the green waste/paper recycling after sukkot.

#### Donations for Lulav and Etrog

We invite you to make a donation for our Lulav and Etrog at school. Each set costs £30 and we would like to have at least three sets in the school so that all children have the chance to wave them. The total cost will be: £90

If you are in a position to make a donation please let Rabbi Neil or Mrs Blaker know and we will pass on the details.







### Reminders

#### Individual and sibling photos - Thursday 5th October

Please send your child into school in full clean uniform. If they have PE that day, they are to wear their uniform with trainers (Y1 and Y4).

Next Friday 6th October, a reminder we finish at 1.30pm/1.45pm

#### Reception

Next week we are teaching children to use their imaginations to dress up. If you have any old materials to donate we would be very grateful.

Please send in reading folders every day and labelled spare clothes.

#### Year 3

Our Stone Age workshop is on the 9th October. It would be amazing if the children could dress up in Stone Age themed clothes. If not, they can come to school in their uniform.

#### Year 6

Please note that our Ancient Greece workshop has changed to Tuesday 7th November, as there is a Year 6 girls' netball tournament on Wednesday 8th November.

Next week, we are studying nature as part of our figurative poetry unit. If any pupils have any natural objects (ie. pebbles, shells, twigs) they would like to bring in for Tuesday 3rd October, it would be greatly appreciated.

# NURTURE

Looking at different perspectives has been a focus this week. Although this can be a hard concept, the children were able to read the faces in the pictures to look for clues as to how the characters were feeling and consider different viewpoints for what might have happened and why characters felt that way. We then wrote recipes for a successful playground.













### What we are learning this week

#### Reception

This week we have been learning about our bodies and have loved learning the new skeleton song. We enjoyed listening to the book 'Funny Bones.' We have explored properties of 3d shapes and finding out which shapes roll and which don't and why. Phonics is moving along nicely and the children are continuing to learn new sounds and orally blend.

#### Year 1

This week we innovated (made changes) to our text map and wrote our own version of the text (On the way to.... I saw....). In Maths, we have been learning how to find patterns in numbers to 10 and subitising (the ability to instantly recognise the number of objects without counting them). In Science, we looked at everyday materials (wood, fabric, plastic, glass, metal etc) and described them (soft, hard, smooth...)

#### Year 2

This week in Maths we have been thinking about place value and using our knowledge to partition twodigit numbers in different ways. In English, we have been innovating the story of Snow White, adding in our own characters and settings. We learnt about the four seasons in Geography and made some tissue paper collages to represent each season. In DT, we started making chairs for Baby Bear, ensuring they are strong and stable structures.

#### Year 3

In Maths this week, we have been learning to order numbers and round to the nearest 10 and 100. In English this week, we have been learning to box up our model text and innovate the text to make it our own.

#### Year 4

We have had a busy week in Year 4. We wrote our own Greek myths in English – The children worked really hard on these and have edited their work with their friends to include similes, fronted adverbials, adverbs and mythical creatures. In maths we have been working on the cherry model to add and subtract large numbers. The children can show you how to answer any problem now. In science we are learning about wildlife in the local environment and recording what we see in a table.

#### Year 5

In Year 5 we have been multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000 in Maths. We had the Police come in for our third instalment of Mini Police and taught us how to stay safe near roads. In English we started planning our non-chronological reports.

#### Year 6

In Year 6, we have been writing our own explanation texts about our Flanimals. In Geography, we have been researching information about Manaus in Brazil. We are learning about multiples and factors in maths. During our music lessons, we have been learning about dynamics, pitch and texture and we have been practising being conductors! As part of our science, we have checked our bread experiment and found a little bit of mould. Don't worry, we will not be eating it!



### This week in Ivrit

**Reception**: This week we practiced the learnt phrases 'Boker Tov' (good morning) and 'Shalom' (Hello). We also learnt to introduce ourselves by saying the word 'Ani' (I'm) followed by our name.

Year 1: This week we learnt the Hebrew letter Dalet T (d).

**Year 4**: This week we practised to read one/two syllable words with the vowel 'Eh' and wrote them on mini whiteboards.

**Year 5**: This week we read two/three syllable words that contain the vowels 'Aa' and 'Eh'and matched them with their English sounds. Some children challenged themselves and practised writing them in script letters.

**Year 6**: This week we read two/three syllable words that contain the vowel 'Aa' and 'Eh' and matched them with their English sounds. The children were tasked with finding then highlighting words the teacher called out loud within the text.

### This week in JS

**Reception**: we are learning about Sukkot and the four species.

**Year 2**: had no JS this week as their class is on Monday, we hope if you went to synagogue for Yom Kippur it was meaningful and uplifting.

**Year 3**: we continued our learning about the festivals of the month of Tishri by thinking about the meaning of 'Teshuvah' (personal change).

**Year 4**: Finished making their pots to remind them of God feeding the whole world, by planting cress seeds. They will be coming home with the children, along with the first blessing of Birkat Hamazon (grace after meals). Please look after them!

**Year 5**: learnt about Rene Cassin, the author of the International Declaration of Human Rights – who was also Jewish and whose family died in the Holocaust. We also examined the definition of human rights.

**Year 6**: had their final session learning to lead Tefillah before next week they will go around the classes leading the morning prayers in the classes.

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## בית ספר קלור שלום Clore Shalom School

## **Open Events**

Tuesday 7th November 9.30am - 10.30am Tuesday 14th November 7.30pm Wednesday 15th November 9.30am - 10.30am

Visit tinyurl.com/clorereg to book your place

For more information www.cloreshalom.herts.sch.uk/ admissions

# **Celebration Tea**

Congratulations to: Sienna - Reception Maxi - Year 1 Jacob - Year 2 Spencer - Year 3 Zoe - Year 4 Charlotte - Year 5 Ethan H - Year 6

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# **Special Mentions**

Special mentions will return next week!



Isabella B - Year 3 Tilly - Year 3 Zoe - Year 4 Jake - Year 1 Emmy - Year 2 Sophia - Year 3

# **Photo Gallery**











### Football frenzy!

Congratulations to Ben (Year 3) who was the mascot on Wednesday with Premier League club, Fulham before their cup game. We are incredibly proud of you!









#### CLORE SHALOM SCHOOL AGM

#### Please join us in the school hall on Tuesday 3rd October at 8pm

All parents are welcome and are invited to spport our school and get involved in the PTA. Attending the meeting means you can listen to and share ideas on how we can raise money As always we need your help with creative and innovative ideas. There is an opportunity for anyone who would like to take on a role in the PTA (from PTA Chair to volunteers at events) to put themselves forward as well as discussing the plans for the upcoming year.

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