

Clore Columns

Attendance: 98.8%
Punctuality: 98.9%

Our Target Attendance: 97%
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We have absolutely loved being in our Sukkah this week to share food and games. We look forward to celebrating Simchat Torah together to finish off this wonderful period of festivals.

Chag Sameach to all our families, have a great weekend.

Children who have been to see me with good work this week: Jamie – handwriting; Sophia, Ben and Amelia – excellent writing about the rainforest; Blake and Mia – excellent use of adjectives.

If you would like to see what we've been discussing in assembly, please click [here](#)

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 6th - Individual photos

Friday 9th - Parent Kabbalat Shabbat

Sunday 11th - Opal Stay & Play

Wednesday 14th - Prospective Parents Tour

Friday 23rd - Parent Kabbalat Shabbat

Monday 26th - Half Term

Individual photos

A reminder to parents that individual photos will be taken on Tuesday 6th October.

Security Rota

We are currently looking for parent volunteers to join our Security rota. If you can spare 20 minutes in the morning or 30 minutes in the afternoon to volunteer, please contact Hannah Barth on 07956354425 for more information. No training is required, but formal training can be arranged. Volunteering counts towards CRP points for secondary school, as well as helping our wonderful security team to keep us all safe. Thank you.



Webinar - Thursday 22nd October 7.45 - 9.00pm Understanding and supporting children's emotional and social needs.

We have a really exciting opportunity to have a webinar from 2 highly experienced professionals - Muzzi Nathan (Specialist Paediatric Occupational Therapist) and Dr Michelle Benson (Paediatric Psychologist) on understanding and supporting children's emotional and social needs which I know is often a common worry for many families on how best to support the children in collaboration with school. We would love to see as many of you online attending as possible. More information has been included at the bottom of this weeks newsletter.

Please indicate you will be attending by responding to admin@cloreshalom.herts.sch.uk

Log on details:

Bright Pathways UK is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Bright Pathways Webinar

Time: Oct 22, 2026 07:45 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81822052206?pwd=A8az7VPWyFIGXtjKjhURFW7zoQbnnh.1>

Meeting chat link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/jc/81822052206>

Meeting ID: 818 2205 2206

Passcode: 269915

OPAL stay and play Sunday 11th October 1-4pm

We are excited to announce that we will be opening our grounds for our families and siblings to play on Sunday 11th October from 1-4. Come and see all our new playspace developments and have a fun afternoon with your children. Please note whilst our staff may attend with their own children, parents are responsible for their children that afternoon.

Menu Change

Unfortunately the kitchen are unable to get plant balls anymore. These will be replaced with Quorn pieces in a tomato sauce. This change will not show up on school grid so please just be aware when booking.

Security reminder

A reminder that in line with all other schools, parents are not allowed into school under any circumstances unless to bring in a late child or for an appointment. The school is private property and is not a public building. Please do not walk in to use the toilet or to find lost property unless you are accompanied. Just because you are known to some adults does not mean you are known to all and we must strictly monitor the adults who enter the school for both security and safeguarding purposes.

If it were to become obvious to an observer that adults enter our school un-challenged, it increases the likelihood that someone with malicious intent may enter.

Contact Details updates

If you have moved house recently or changed your number please ensure that we have your correct details. If parents live apart, please ensure that we have both parent's addresses.

Allergy Reminder

A reminder that we have several children and staff in school with severe nut allergies. Please ensure that all snacks and packed lunches are nut-free.

Free School Meals Year 3 and above If you are in receipt of certain benefits, your child may be eligible for Free School Meals. To find out if you are eligible, please visit the Hertfordshire online checker at:

<https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/s/RUTJG1/>

If you need any help with this, please let Mrs Wollaston (School Business Manager) or Mrs Blaker know in strictest confidence.

Time to get reading!

Here are our book club choices for this half term – let's do this!

Autumn 1

Mrs Blaker's Book Club

Year 4-6

Strike by Mitch Johnson

Year 2-3

Reception - Year 1

Waffles and Julius: No Hugs Please! By Ed Vere

Waffles is a dog who loves to give hugs, but his best friend Julius is definitely not interested! Read about the different ways to show a friend you love them, and find out whether Julius finally decides to give his friend a hug.

Think about...

- How do you show someone you love them?
- How can you show someone you love them if they don't like hugs?
- Before reading: do you think Julius might finally let Waffles hug him?

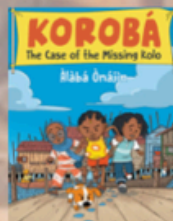


Koroba and The Case of the Missing Kolo by Alaba Onajin

Koroba and her friends can't wait for Kolo Breaking Day, where they count the money they've carefully saved all year to spend at their village's annual Harvest Festival. But when her best friend Saidat has her Kolo box stolen, Koroba and her friends turn detective to solve the mystery of who's taken it. Enter the world of Koroba's fishing village to help her solve her first detective case - and get ready for many more!

Think about...

- What do you think it is like to live in Makoko?
- Who are the main suspects in the case of the missing Kolo? Why do you think they may have stolen it?
- What do you think of Saidat's cousin Risi? Why is she so unhappy?
- How is each suspect ruled out of the investigation?
- How does Koroba finally crack the case?
- What does this story tell you about friendship?
- Do you agree with the friends' actions at the end? Would you act the same?



Owen is a footballer with a dream of turning professional one day and it looks as if his dreams are about to come true when he gets a place at the training academy of his beloved Harrowfield football club. Not only can he learn to play better, but he has a chance of running into his football hero, Budi. Owen's dad buys him a new pair of football boots to celebrate entering the academy, but a note stuck in one of the boots makes Owen re-think everything he thought he knew about the good that football can do, and our responsibilities to people that we've never met. Join Owen as he seeks to become a professional footballer, comes to terms with his own past, and change the world for the better through sport.

Think about...

- Owen has a complicated relationship with football. What role does it play in his life?
- How has the game of football changed his parents' lives?
- Describe Owen's friendship with Teddy.
- How does Owen change when he discovers the note in his football boot?
- Why is Budi such an inspirational figure to Owen?
- Do you agree with Owen's actions to support Budi and his cause?
- What do Budi and Owen have in common?
- What does Budi teach Owen?
- This book is about a boy's journey to become a professional footballer but also so much more. What do you think are the themes of the book?
- Has the book changed your views about football? How?
- What do you feel about Owen's future at the end of the book?



Book Reviews

**Oliver - No-Bot by Sue
Hendra and Paul Linnet**

**Emmy - Scary Tales by
James Preller**

**Blake - It is The Way Back
Home
by Oliver Jeffers.**

**Issy - Horrid Henry and the
Abominable snowman by
Francesca Simon**

Mabel

Thea

Isaac

Louis

Luca

Frankie

Amelia





BRIGHT PATHWAYS UK

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER - NAVIGATING THE PATHWAY TOGETHER

SUPPORTING EVERY CHILD'S POTENTIAL

**A PARENT WEBINAR ON UNDERSTANDING AND
SUPPORTING CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENTAL,
EMOTIONAL AND SOCIAL NEEDS.**

WHAT WILL WE EXPLORE?

- Common challenges children face in school and practical strategies to support children's learning, emotion regulation, self-esteem and confidence.
- An introduction to neurodiverse conditions, specifically Autism Spectrum Condition and ADHD.
- When to consider further neuro-developmental assessment for your child.

WHO COULD BENEFIT FROM ATTENDING?

- Parents and caregivers who want to better understand and support their child's emotional, social, and developmental needs.



Hosted By:
Dr Michelle Benson
(Paediatric
Psychologist) and
Muzzi Nathan
(Specialist
Paediatric
Occupational
Therapist)

Date & Time:
22nd October 2026
7.45-9.00pm

Venue:
Free Online Webinar

***Let's work together
to understand and
support every
child's unique way
of learning and
developing***