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Clore Columns

Attendance: 96.3%Our Target Attendance: 97%Punctuality: 96.64%Our Target Punctuality: 99%Class Punctuality Prize: Year 1

We have spent a fantastic week learning and focusing as a school on First Aid. This is part of our termly theme of 'Myself' and we are focused on empowering children to act (age appropriately) in case of emergency. These are important life skills and it is also reassuring to children to know that they have the skills and knowledge to act responsibly in a situation that requires First Aid. We greatly enjoyed our workshops and everyone gained a great deal of knowledge and understanding.

Thank you to all parents who attended our PAJES wellbeing workshop last Friday. It was really informative and reassuring (we're not getting it as wrong as we think!) and we hope to invite Jessica and Claire back into school to lead another workshop next term.

Children who have come to see me with outstanding work this week: Ella B (twice!), Issy, Savanna, Flora, Ava, Louis, Dexter, Chase, Maisie, Ellie, Mila and Jake.

Many congratulations to Ava Lerner who is our first bronze dojo award winner in the school, having received 200 dojo points already this term! Well done Ava!

If you would like to know what we have been discussing in assembly, please look <u>here</u>.

Collection from School

We have had a number of incidents recently where children have been unsure of where they are going after school or who is collecting them. We have also had a number of grandparents arrive in the playground at the wrong time which has caused confusion, especially if they have not realised their grandchild is going to siblings club. Please could parents bear in mind the following:

- Please make sure your child knows where they are going after school or if they are being picked up and by who.
- Please ensure grandparents or other people collecting your child know the correct time to pick up, including if your child is in sibling club.
- If you arrange for someone else to collect your child during the day we do not need to be informed for older children, especially if they are going with a familiar adult. For younger children (R-Year 2) please let us know, but be aware that teachers are teaching and may not always look at their emails until the very end of the day.
- Please wait for your child to line up at the end of the day before taking them, and for the teacher to see who is taking each child.

Could parents also be aware that for security reasons we must close the gate as soon as possible. Parents are lingering in the playground and allowing their children to play unsupervised on the climbing frame. We are not insured for accidents that happen after school hours and children should be kept off the climbing frame. Children should be collected and parents should leave the playground as quickly as possible so that we can close the gate. If you need a longer conversation with a teacher, they will be happy to take you inside of the school building. Thank you for your cooperation.

Remembrance Sunday

Thank you to all the Year 6 children who attended the remembrance service at Shenley War Memorial last Sunday. The children read poems written by Leo H and Jake and showed the local community a great example of civic pride and respect along with wonderful creative writing skills.



Nursery Research to support admissions

We would like to do some research into the nurseries that our children attended before they came to Clore. This will enable us to send promotional material to these nurseries in advance of our open days. Please fill in the attached smart survey to provide us with this information. Please click <u>here</u>. – thank you so much.

Mitzvah Day

We will be celebrating Mitzvah Day as a school on Friday 22nd November. Reception and Key Stage 1 will be doing a toy drive for Camp Simcha. Please bring any new toys or games to donate. The box for any donations can be found in the school foyer.

We are asking Year 4, 5 and 6 to bring in a small donation (no more than £2, however if a child would like to bring in some of their own pocket money that would be brilliant!) With the money brought in, each class will then choose items to purchase to donate to the charities which have been chosen by our Year 6 Chesed Leaders. Year 4 will be donating items to Foodbank Aid, Year 5 to The Clock Tower Sanctuary and Year 6 for Jewish Women's Aid.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

CLORE Awards

Please keep working on your term 1 challenge to reach your CLORE award 2024. Records of challenges should be given to your class teacher, along with your CLORE award book to sign.

RSE Parent consultation meeting

We are updating our RSE (relationships and sex education) policy and will be circulating it to parents soon as part of our duty to consult our community. I would like to invite parents to a consultation morning on 12th December at 9.00 am. I will discuss with parents our RSE curriculum and it will be a chance to raise any questions or concerns. We are also delighted to welcome Sarah Bronzite from Keshet UK who will talk to parents about the LBTQ+ elements of our curriculum and chair a wider discussion and questions from parents about introducing sexuality based issues to children and how to approach childrens' questions at home. If you would like to attend this consultation meeting, please email admin.

Lunches

If you are sending a packed lunch please could you ensure no nut products are in the lunch. This includes obviously nutella – though chocolate of any sort should not be included in a packed lunch.

Advice and support with the cost of living

This winter, Hertfordshire County Council wants to make sure that advice and support is available to help every resident deal with the cost of living. To make sure everyone knows what financial and practical support is available in Hertfordshire, the council is highlighting advice and services residents can access. Please click <u>here</u> for information.

Online Parenting Courses - Family Lives

Being a parent has never been easy. There are no manuals for it, and previous generations may not be able to provide the insight you're looking for. The family unit is more dispersed than ever, with some families existing hundreds of miles from what may be called a 'core unit'. The rapid pace of societal change in the UK rapidly outstrips the knowledge of the immediate past. The result is that many parents may find themselves lost in a maelstrom of contradictory advice. For adults, time has never been more compacted. Family Lives has produced a series of online parenting courses, to make this challenge a little easier. If interested please follow the link below:

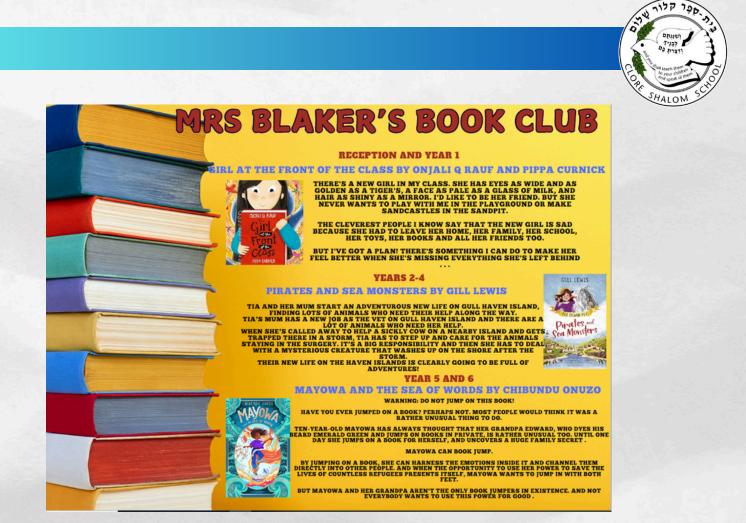
https://www.familylives.org.uk/how-we-can-help/online-parenting-courses

Family Lives offers a confidential and free^{*} helpline service for families in England and Wales (previously known as Parentline). They can be contacted on 0808 800 2222 for emotional support, information, advice and guidance on any aspect of parenting and family life. Their website is also a rich source of useful support and advice.

(* Free from landlines and most mobiles)

Have a wonderful weekend and Shabbat Shalom

Do you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals? Call us for support or advice or email Mrs Lax senco@cloreshalom.herts.sch.uk in complete confidence.



BOOK REVIEWS

Reception - Carter Lewis, Fairy Wenzel gets the Hiccups! Year 1 - Issy, The Dinosaur that pooped the bed! Year 3 - Gabriel Krikeb, The Faraway Tree Year 3 - Emmy Austin, Dork Diaries Sister Showdown

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Class Reminders

Year 1: Could each child bring in a small, labelled item that holds a personal memory for them. We will use them on Tuesday 19th November. Please also ensure your child has a labelled water bottle with them every day.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 22nd November: Mitzvah Day – please see information below Wednesday 27th November: Year 6 Assembly 8.45 a, Thursday 28th November: Parents Evening Friday 29th November: Choir performing in Kabbalat Shabbat – all choir parents welcome Wednesday 4th December: Parents Evening Monday 9th December: PTA Chanukah Disco Friday 13th December: PTA Chanukah Fair (details to follow) Monday 16th December: Chanukah presentation (Reception) Tuesday 17th December: Chanukah presentation (Years 1-3) Wednesday 18th December: Chanukah presentation (Years 4-6)

Celebration

Reception - Pearl Year 1 - Freddie Year 2 - Zachary Year 3 - Joel Year 4 - Phoebe Year 5 - Sophia Year 6 - Ava



Lewis - Reception Maddie - Year 1 Freddie - Year 3 Thursday - Year 4

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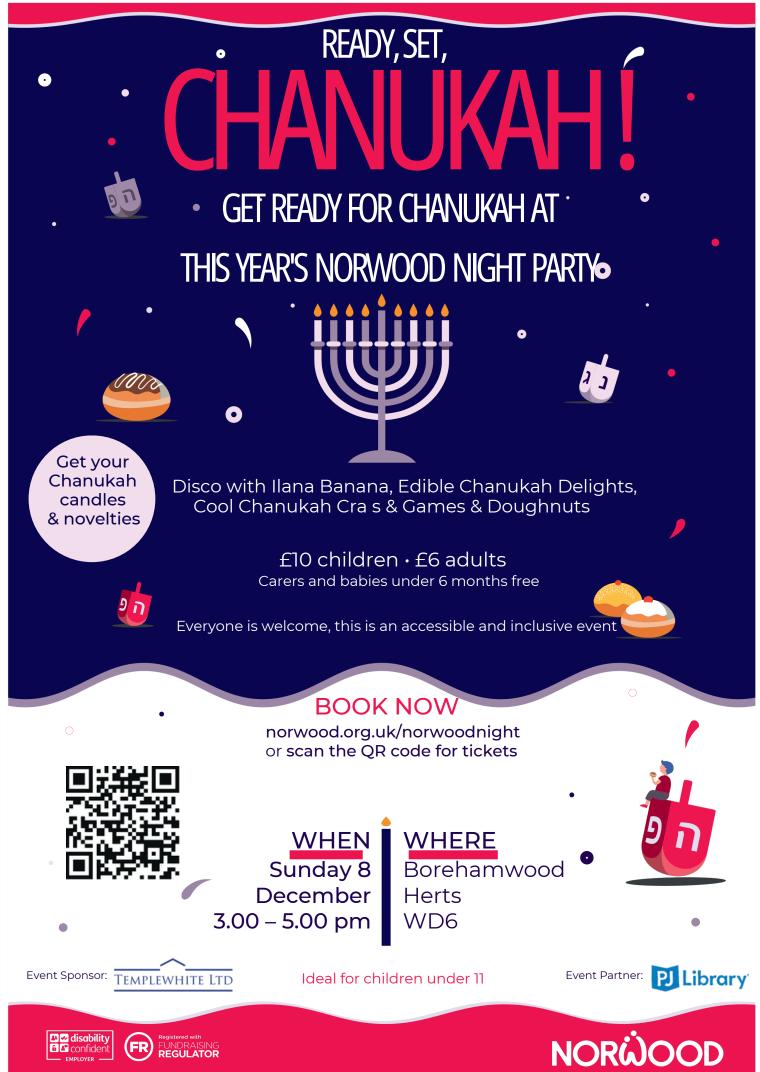
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Autistic people are more likely to experience anxiety. Anxiety for those on the autism spectrum can be more intense than for those who are not. Join us to look at anxiety in more detail and discuss ways to help support children and young people.

This online workshop is suitable for professionals and parents/carers.



Thu 28th November 7pm - 9pm on Zoom



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