



Clore Columns

Attendance: 96.9% **Our Target Attendance: 97%**
Punctuality: 99.64% **Our Target Punctuality: 99%**
Class Punctuality Prize: Year 5 & Year 6

Dear Parents

Thank you to everyone who donated a present to Camp Simcha and donated money for Mitzvah Week. It is much appreciated

Children who have come to see me with good work this week: Arabelle, Billie, Chase, Ellie, Louis, Maisie

If you would like to see more about what we have been discussing in assembly, please click [here](#):

OPAL Zoom

A reminder that all parents are invited to a brief evening zoom to receive information about OPAL, our exciting new playground development project. The meeting will start at 8.00pm promptly on 12th December, and will last approximately 20 minutes. There is no financial 'ask', it is purely for parents information and we would love to see you.

Joining details [here](#).

Upcoming Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 27th November: Year 6 Assembly 8.45 am

Thursday 28th November: Parents Evening

Friday 29th November: Choir performing in Kabbalat Shabbat – all choir parents welcome

Wednesday 4th December: Parents Evening

Friday 6th December: Parent Kabbalat Shabbat (not on original dates for diary). Please note this is the last parents' Kabbalat Shabbat of term.

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)

Packed Lunches

Can I please remind parents that packed lunches should not contain sweets, biscuits or chocolate. Children may have a plain biscuit or a small piece of cake for dessert.

Class imessage groups

Several classes seem to have developed imessage groups where the children are messaging each other outside school. Could I please ask that if your class has such a group, that they are monitored nightly by parents as they are becoming rife with bullying and inappropriate comments.

Children are also threatening to 'block' one another from the group in school and this is causing distress.

I would strongly advise against such groups especially in the younger years, and I would encourage parents not to allow their children to join. If your child is part of one of these groups, please can you talk to them about appropriate behaviour within the group.

PR/Marketing advice

We are looking to start a parent advisory group to help us with marketing, PR and social media presence. The idea is to meet termly to ensure that the school is marketed effectively, which would support both our admissions and teacher recruitment. If you have professional expertise in this area and would like to volunteer some time to school, please could you email the school office. Thanks so much.

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 LGBTQ+ 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.



Kerem School Parents event

Kerem have extended this invitation to us if any parents would like to attend:

21st Century Parenting: 'Exploring what works for you and your family'

At Kerem we are holding a series of talks to support parents under the theme of **21st Century Parenting** and would like to invite you and your families to join us for our inaugural 2024 talk, led by Lisa Barry, an experienced educational psychologist who has worked with families, children, and schools for over 25 years.

The session is called '**Exploring What Works for You and Your Family**' and will take place on **Monday, 2nd December at 7:30 pm**. Lisa has a strong background in both local authority and the voluntary sector, and she specialises in parental support workshops so we do encourage you to join us! We are asking for a donation of £10 per person, which will go toward funding future talks.

To help us plan accordingly and to receive further details of location, please complete this [form](#) or email asharman@keremschool.co.uk by Wednesday 20th November.

If you are not able to attend the talk but would like to be kept up to date with future events, please do also complete the form. We look forward to sharing this event with you and are grateful for your involvement in supporting our community's wellbeing.

Welcome to our new school councillors

Reception: Pearl and Mason

Year 1: Ellie and Ella W

Year 2: Max and Sophia

Year 3: Jodie and Cody

Year 4: Flora and Amelia

Year 5: Cole and Mia

Year 6: Talia and Leo H

Shabbat Shalom

Gemma Blaker

MRS BLAKER'S BOOK CLUB

RECEPTION AND YEAR 1

GIRL AT THE FRONT OF THE CLASS BY ONJALI Q RAUF AND PIPPA CURNICK



THERE'S A NEW GIRL IN MY CLASS. SHE HAS EYES AS WIDE AND AS GOLDEN AS A TIGER'S, A FACE AS PALE AS A GLASS OF MILK, AND HAIR AS SHINY AS A MIRROR. I'D LIKE TO BE HER FRIEND. BUT SHE NEVER WANTS TO PLAY WITH ME IN THE PLAYGROUND OR MAKE SANDCASTLES IN THE SANDPIT.

THE CLEVEREST PEOPLE I KNOW SAY THAT THE NEW GIRL IS SAD BECAUSE SHE HAD TO LEAVE HER HOME, HER FAMILY, HER SCHOOL, HER TOYS, HER BOOKS AND ALL HER FRIENDS TOO.

BUT I'VE GOT A PLAN! THERE'S SOMETHING I CAN DO TO MAKE HER FEEL BETTER WHEN SHE'S MISSING EVERYTHING SHE'S LEFT BEHIND
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YEARS 2-4

PIRATES AND SEA MONSTERS BY GILL LEWIS

TIA AND HER MUM START AN ADVENTUROUS NEW LIFE ON GULL HAVEN ISLAND, FINDING LOTS OF ANIMALS WHO NEED THEIR HELP ALONG THE WAY. TIA'S MUM HAS A NEW JOB AS THE VET ON GULL HAVEN ISLAND AND THERE ARE A LOT OF ANIMALS WHO NEED HER HELP.

WHEN SHE'S CALLED AWAY TO HELP A SICKLY COW ON A NEARBY ISLAND AND GETS TRAPPED THERE IN A STORM, TIA HAS TO STEP UP AND CARE FOR THE ANIMALS STAYING IN THE SURGERY. IT'S A BIG RESPONSIBILITY AND THEN SHE HAS TO DEAL WITH A MYSTERIOUS CREATURE THAT WASHES UP ON THE SHORE AFTER THE STORM.

THEIR NEW LIFE ON THE HAVEN ISLANDS IS CLEARLY GOING TO BE FULL OF ADVENTURES!



YEAR 5 AND 6

MAYOWA AND THE SEA OF WORDS BY CHIBUNDU ONUZO

WARNING: DO NOT JUMP ON THIS BOOK!

HAVE YOU EVER JUMPED ON A BOOK? PERHAPS NOT. MOST PEOPLE WOULD THINK IT WAS A RATHER UNUSUAL THING TO DO.

TEN-YEAR-OLD MAYOWA HAS ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT HER GRANDPA EDWARD, WHO DYES HIS BEARD EMERALD GREEN AND JUMPS ON BOOKS IN PRIVATE, IS RATHER UNUSUAL TOO. UNTIL ONE DAY SHE JUMPS ON A BOOK FOR HERSELF, AND UNCOVERS A HUGE FAMILY SECRET.

MAYOWA CAN BOOK JUMP.

BY JUMPING ON A BOOK, SHE CAN HARNESS THE EMOTIONS INSIDE IT AND CHANNEL THEM DIRECTLY INTO OTHER PEOPLE. AND WHEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO USE HER POWER TO SAVE THE LIVES OF COUNTLESS REFUGEES PRESENTS ITSELF, MAYOWA WANTS TO JUMP IN WITH BOTH FEET.

BUT MAYOWA AND HER GRANDPA AREN'T THE ONLY BOOK JUMPERS IN EXISTENCE. AND NOT EVERYBODY WANTS TO USE THIS POWER FOR GOOD.



Book Reviews

Reception : Aidan - Peace at Last

Year 1: Jessie - The Runaway Pea

Year 3: Amelia - Hetty and Robin and the Prickly Hedgehog.

Year 4: Sienna C - Lottie Brooks Essential Guide to Life



Celebration Tea

Reception: Emily
Year 1: Dexter
Year 2: Albie
Year 3: Ella
Year 4: Bella G
Year 5: Maya
Year 6: Taylor

Happy Birthday

Jonah Year 6
Ella C Year 4

Class Reminders

Year 1: Please send small junk modelling items for our science lesson on Thursday

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Christmas Family Fun!

From 24 November - 21 December

Join us for Magical Christmas Tales with Santa, A Christmas Carol, Creative Crafts, Cake decorating and Fun Science Adventures!

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Christmas Cake Decorating
Sunday 24 November

Learn how to create a snowman cake decoration to take home and decorate your Christmas Cake with.
12.30pm & 2.15pm (adults only)
£10 per participant



Storytelling with Santa in the Roald Dahl Children's Gallery
Saturday 30 November & Saturday 21 December

Join us for a heart-warming experience that brings the joy of the festive season to life.
10am -12pm and 1.15pm - 3.15pm (3-10yrs)
Included in your standard Roald Dahl Children's Gallery admission



The Science of Christmas
Saturday 7 December

Could Father Christmas catapult a present down a chimney? How can you grow a candy cane? Is it possible to make a snowman without snow? Discover the answers in our seasonal workshop.
10.15am, 12.00pm & 2.00pm (5-11yrs)
£5 per participant



A Christmas Carol
Sunday 8 & 15 December

Ring in the Christmas season with this exquisite performance of the Dickens' festive classic, brought to life in vivid detail by Mat Jones.
7pm (11+yrs)
£21 per ticket



Christmas Clay
Saturday 14 December

Make your own hanging clay and paper ornaments to take home!
10am - 2pm (3-11yrs)
£4 per participant

Make a day of it and visit the *Roald Dahl Children's Gallery* and the rest of the Museum whilst you're here.

