



Clore Columns

Attendance: 96.67% **Our Target Attendance: 97%**
Punctuality: 98.4% **Our Target Punctuality: 99%**
Class Punctuality Prize: Year 3

Dear Parents

It's been a wonderful term with lots of learning, personal development, growth and achievement. Thank you so much to all parents who have facilitated trips, helped out with drive-thru and security, acted as a Parent Rep or made our fantastic PTA events happen. We couldn't do it without you. The PTA's Chanukah activities have raised an enormous £2342 - thank you again to all the efforts of the PTA who fit in this work around their own busy lives, and also to all the families who supported these events.

Well done to all the children for their brilliant performances in our annual Celebrations of Faith, and thank you to all our music teachers for arranging the beautiful recital we enjoyed last Friday in Kabbalat Shabbat. We have some real musical talent in our school.

Children who have come to see me with excellent work this week: from Year 1: Layla, Jessie, Chiara, Eva, Issy, Ethan, Freddie.

From Year 3: Jodie, Frankie, Jesse, Amelie, Gabriel, Bailey, Toby.

If you would like to see what we have been discussing at assembly, please click [here](#).

Dates for your diary for the coming term are attached to this email.

Staff Goodbyes and changes

As parents are aware, we are sadly saying goodbye to Miss Khan, Mrs Gilbery-Phillips, Mrs Sklar and Ms Shaffer. I would also like to let parents in Year 4 and Year 3 know that we are swapping TAs in those two classes from January. Mr Macfarlane will be supporting the learning in Year 4 and Mrs Rabinovitch will be supporting Mrs Drew in Year 3.

Admin role vacancy at Clore Shalom

We are looking to employ a part time administrator for 2.5 days per week on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. If any of our parents are interested in this role, or know someone who is looking for work, please contact admin for the full job ad and job description.

Congratulations to Year 5

Many thanks to Year 5 who started our year of class fundraising activities with a fantastic jewellery sale at the Chanukah market that raised a massive £175. Thank you to all the children who worked so hard to make bracelets to sell and to all the parents and staff who supported this activity.

Pencil cases

We will be sending pencil cases home today please can you replenish them as necessary and send them back in with the children on the first day of term.

Ivrit speaking volunteer wanted

We are looking for an Ivrit speaking volunteer on a Monday and/or Tuesday after 1.25 to help during Ivrit lessons. Please contact admin if you are able to help out.

Winter is great for reading!

Well done to all the children who read the book club books this term and attended our fantastic book club sessions with me.

If parents are struggling with things to occupy the children during the cold, dark winter holidays, what better activity than reading?

I am pleased to share my January book club choices early so that children can spend that Chanukah money on a new book and relax with something that is enjoyable and educational!

Thank you again to all parents for your generous gifts to our staff, it is much appreciated.

Have a restful and relaxing break, and a very happy new year. We look forward to welcoming the children back in January 2025.

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

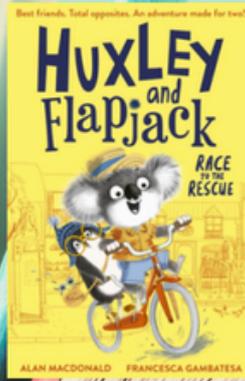
Mrs Blaker's BOOK CLUB



Reception and Year 1

Bothered by Bugs by Emily Gravett

Pete the Badger is trying to get on with his cooking, but there are bugs everywhere! Join Pete and his friends as they try to get rid of them. But with the bugs gone, the forest seems very different...

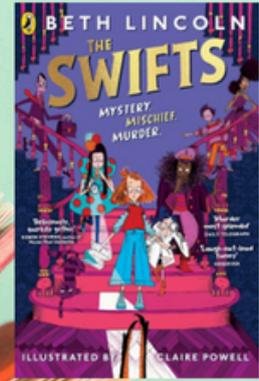


Year 2-Year 4

Huxley and Flapjack: Race to the Rescue by Alan Macdonald and Francesca Gambatesa

Huxley and his best friend Flapjack battle to unmask the robber who is targeting the poshest store in town. But what happens when the two best friends get suspected of stealing themselves? Will they be able to prove their innocence?

(This is an easier read - confident Year 4s should read the Year 5/6 book)



Year 5 & Year 6

The Swifts by Beth Lincoln

Meet the Swift family - a magical, chaotic family united by their love of words and also their desire to find the ancient treasure buried by their ancestor that might just get their family out of financial danger. But as the family gather to solve the mystery of the treasure, someone is willing to do anything - even murder - to get their hands on the gold!

Book Reviews

Bella F - Jack Frost by Kazuno Kohara

Charlie - Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs By Ian Whybrow

Frankie - Diary of a Wimpy Kid

Emotionally Based School Avoidance (EBSA)

PaJeS are delighted to offer a webinar for parents and carers who struggle to get their child to school or to stay in school. This will take place on Monday 13th January 2025 at 8pm.

Emotionally Based School Avoidance (EBSA) is a challenge for many parents.

Cathy Haysom, executive headteacher of Heartwood House, and educator on EBSA, will be sharing knowledge on spotting the early signs of school avoidance and how to work with the school to support the child. This webinar (where your identity is not seen by others), is suitable for both primary and secondary school children.

Sign up here: <https://pajes.org.uk/training-and-events/parent-wellbeing-ebsa/>

OPAL playground redevelopment

Thank you to all parents who have completed our OPAL parents' survey. Please continue to send them in over the holidays if you have a chance to complete this short survey.

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Parenting SEN children when separated online programme



A 6-session programme, specifically tailored to help separated parents navigate the complexities of co-parenting and provide the best possible support for their SEND child. This is a valuable opportunity to enhance co-parenting skills, support children's development and build a strong foundation for the future.

Who should attend?

- Separated parents raising children with SEND.
- Parents seeking guidance, support, and strategies for co-parenting SEN children more consistently.
- Parents wanting to create a positive and supportive environment for their child's development.



These courses will be delivered by MS Teams over 6 sessions, on the following dates:

- Monday 24 February & 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 March 2025
Evening: 7.00pm - 9.00pm
- Tuesday 25 February & 4, 11, 18, 25 March & 1 April 2025 **Daytime:** 9.30am – 11.30am

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