



Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

This Week

This week we invited some parents in to our Presentation Assembly where Golden Awards were handed out to children in each year group, for those with the Most Improved and Most Outstanding work. Well done to everybody who received an award and to everybody else for their superb efforts. I apologise if you were not invited to see your child receive their award, however, due to limited space, we are only able to invite 10 sets of parents. Please be assured that if your child receives another, I will do my utmost to ensure you have an invitation in the future.

On Thursday the children attended a special Harvest assembly delivered by Reverend Michelle Eversden from Pier Avenue Baptist Church. The children sang Harvest songs that they have practised and learnt about where our food comes from. Thank you to Reverend Eversden for giving us her valuable time.

Tuesday and Thursday were Parents' Evenings. Thank you to all Parents/Carers who attended and completed the Questionnaire. The Questionnaires will be analysed and findings shared in due course.

Next Week

Next week is Half Term. All children return to school on Monday 2nd November.

Dates

Please note there will be a Non Pupil Day on Friday 27th November.

After Half Term, our next school holiday is Christmas. The children will finish school on Friday 18th December and return on Monday 4th January 2026.

I hope you have a lovely Half Term.

Kind regards

Mrs K Maguire-Egan
Head Teacher



Key Dates	
	October
2nd	Back to School
2nd-6th	Diwali Week
3rd & 5th	Ramayana Workshop
9th-13th	Remembrance Week
10th	Bible Story and Drama
11th	Remembrance Assembly and Lunch
12th	Wild Science—Year 2
Menu	WC 2nd November Week 1



Attendance

The class winners this week were Robins in first place, followed by Goslings and Hedgehogs.

Well done to all classes but especially Robins whose reward will be extra time in the adventure playground.

New Dinner Menu



When we return from Half Term we will have a new dinner menu. A copy of the menu will be available on the website and a paper copy sent out through your child's classroom. Please remember, every child is entitled to a free school meal. We have some delicious options available and I would ask you to encourage your child to try school dinners if they currently have packed lunch.

Vacancies

We currently have vacancies Relief Mid Day Assistants. We also have vacancies for Parent Governors and Volunteer Readers. If you would like further information on either, please contact the school office.

Head Teacher's Surgery

I hold a surgery every Thursday afternoon. If you would like to see me to discuss any issues, please contact the school office to make an appointment. Thank you.

Reminders For When We Return



Children must come to school with a coat every day

No toys are to be brought into school, including novelty keyring chains.

Please check your child for head lice and treat accordingly if necessary



Parking

We have had complaints relating to parent/carer parking and driving in the area. The complainants have contacted our local MP and they are investigating the issues we are facing. Please make every effort to park and drive considerately, allowing residents to leave their properties without obstruction and ensuring the safety of the children. Thank you.



Children in Need—Friday 20th November

Friday 20th November is Children in Need day. All of the children are invited to come into school wearing colourful or spotty clothes to support the event. Donations for this worthy cause can be sent in directly to the class teacher. Thank you for your contributions.



Remembrance Events

We have a variety of events occurring to celebrate Remembrance between 9th—13th November.

We have a special Remembrance assembly and lunch on November 11th, where all children and staff will take part in a 1 minute silence.

There are also a variety of items such as snap bands and poppies available to purchase from the school office. Ambassadors will also be visiting classes to sell these items.



Reducing Our Carbon Footprint

Below are this week's tips on how to save money and reduce our carbon footprint.

THIS WEEK'S ENERGY SAVING TIPS

- Use a slow cooker or an air fryer - with a slow cooker you can cook a meal for about the same cost as powering a lightbulb
- Keep track of your spending with a smart meter and spot energy-guzzling appliances



OCTOBER HALF TERM FAMILY WARM HUB

St Clare's Primary School
Cloes Lane, Clacton CO16 8AG

Thursday 29th October
10am-1pm

Free

- Breakfast/ lunch and refreshments
- **Local information and support for families**
- Winter Warmers
- **Smoke alarms**
- School Uniform bank
- **Baby bank**
- Library services
- **Children's services and activities**

All families welcome
(children must be accompanied)



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Spooktacular Half Term Fun

Clacton Library

Wednesday 28 October,

10am to 11am and 2pm to 3pm

Thursday 29 October and Saturday 31 October

10am to 11am

- **Halloween fun for the whole family!**
- **Enjoy creepy crafts, magical puppet story time and spooky Rhymetime**
- **Free events, no booking needed**



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★ ZOOM BOYS CLUB ★

MISSION BRIEFING
AGENT FILE: ZBC-01-001
CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL

TOP SECRET

ZOOM BOYS CLUB - OPERATION THURSDAY

★ FIELD REPORT ★

LOCATION: Pier Avenue Baptist Church

MISSION TIME: Every Thursday, 6:00 PM-7:30 PM (School Term Only)

ELIGIBLE AGENTS: Reception & Primary School Boys

PIER MISSION: PIER YASTER SESSION - No commitment required

ONGOING MISSIONS: £2 per agent per session

Light refreshments each week!

CONTACT: info@zbc.org.uk or 07763 520502

MISSION ACTIVITIES

☒ crafts ☒ skill-building ☒ active games

☒ cards ☒ games

REPORT FOR DUTY - THURSDAYS 6PM

31.10.26 | 10:00AM - 8PM | FREE ENTRY
CHRISTMAS TREE ISLAND, PIER AVENUE, CLACTON

**COME AND SHINE
LIGHT EVENT**

MUSIC, CRAFT, FREE LIGHT BAGS AND FUN

HOSTED BY CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CLACTON AND LOVE ESSEX

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Free courses for parents & carers

2nd - 6th November 2026

Gain practical **tips and techniques** you can use straight away.

Be around others that 'get it' in our **supportive and friendly** sessions.

These courses all take place online

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2nd November	3rd November	4th November	5th November	6th November
Support Your Child to Attend & Enjoy School 7:30 - 9:30pm	Assertive Parenting 6:30 - 8:30pm Positive Parenting for Teens 7pm - 9pm	About Boys 7pm - 9pm Understanding ADHD in Children 6:30 - 8:30pm Support Your Child to Attend & Enjoy School 9:30 - 11:30am SEND Support for Families 6pm - 8pm	SEND Support for Families 9:30 - 11:30am Managing Big Emotions 7pm - 9pm	



To book, please visit **aclessex.com** and search the course name or give us a call on **0345 603 7635**.



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16th - 27th November 2026

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
16th November	17th November	18th November	19th November	20th November
How to Communicate and Connect with Your Teen 7pm - 9pm	Communicating with Children Aged 5-11 7pm - 9pm	Managing Big Emotions 7pm - 9pm	Zones of Regulation 7pm - 9pm	
23rd November	24th November	25th November	26th November	27th November
				Setting Boundaries 9:30 - 11:30am



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