

Friday 18th October 2024

# CG NEWS

## Clara Grant's Newsletter



### Message from the Head of School

This week our Year 5 & 6 children went away on their residential to Gorsefield. The children loved taking part in a range of activities such as cycling, bread making, archery, orienteering and a range of team building games. Thank you to all the staff who attended as visits like these are impossible without them.

We also continued to celebrate Black History Month this week. The children have enjoyed learning about people from the past and present who have helped change the world we live through their work in ensuring we have a society where everyone is treated equally. We were very lucky to have a caribbean themed dance assembly on Thursday and today the children enjoyed learning about life in Kenya and its culture. Thank you to everyone who entered our school's Black History Month competition.

We have arrived to the end of this half-term and it has been wonderful to see the progress the children have made with their learning and the enthusiasm they have for school. We are closed for two-weeks and the school will re-open on **Monday 4th November 2024**. Diwali falls during the holiday period so I would like to wish staff, pupils and their families celebrating a 'Happy Diwali'

Thank you for your ongoing support and have a relaxing and enjoyable half-term break.

Best wishes  
Mr Aloum

**Our school ethos consists of the 5Cs:**

Care | Courtesy | Commitment | Consideration | Cooperation

# ★ Stars of the Week ★

<b>N</b>	Arfah Talukdar	<b>Learning Zone</b>	Ishan
<b>RR</b>	Zara	<b>RC</b>	Rayyan
<b>1B</b>	Adyan	<b>1W</b>	Brody
<b>2Y</b>	Iqra Hussain	<b>2S</b>	Rohan Dahr
<b>3J</b>	Zariya	<b>3N</b>	Amaya
<b>4S</b>	Ayaan Ali	<b>4DJ</b>	Ruwaydah
<b>5C</b>	Tanzeela	<b>5K</b>	Hudhayfah
<b>6A</b>	Amina	<b>6B</b>	Nisa

## Coffee Morning

Our coffee morning's have now started and we would love to see as many parents and carers attending as possible. This is a great opportunity for parents and carers to come into the school to find out about different topics which will help support you with your child's learning.

If you would like any coffee mornings to be themed on a specific area of school life, then do let Ms Rushnara Khan or Ms Jayshree Chauhan know.

Ms Khan's Tuesday coffee morning will continue as normal from 8:45.

**Wednesday 13th November 2024**

**SEND**

You will be meeting with our new SEND lead, Mr Martin Stanley and Ms O'Connor (Executive Head).

These coffee morning sessions will take place in the conference room.

Anyone arriving after 8:50 will unfortunately miss out!



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# Attendance



Regular attendance is vital to academic and social success. It ensures that children are always learning new skills and knowledge and have the opportunity to build strong relationships with their teachers and friends. Please have a look at Tower Hamlets Council drive to raise attendance across the borough:

[https://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/lgnl/education\\_and\\_learning/Every-day-matters-every-minute-counts.aspx](https://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/lgnl/education_and_learning/Every-day-matters-every-minute-counts.aspx)

**Whole School Attendance  
Target:**

**96% +**

**Top 3 classes for attendance last week are:**

<b>1</b>	<b>1W (Ms Ward's class)</b>	<b>99.3%</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>2S (Ms Sakovica's class)</b>	<b>98.3%</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>5K (Ms Kozysa's class)</b>	<b>98%</b>

## Happy Retirement Anthony

### Message from Mr Anthony Leete

Dear parents, grandparents and carers,  
I wanted to express my sincere thanks for all you have contributed to my 23 years working at Clara Grant. It has been a privilege and a joy working with your children and even, in a few cases, yourselves! Many people ask me why I stayed so long at this school and my answer is always, this community. Your commitment to your children, their education and your support of the school and teachers. I will now enjoy spending more time with my aging parents in Kenya and planning the next stage of my life but will miss you all very much.



I wish you and your children every success and happiness in the future.

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# School Uniform

At present, we have a number of children not wearing the correct school uniform. Moving forward, we would like your support in making sure the children come to school in uniform.

School uniform has many benefits such as:

- promoting equality
- fosters pride in the child's school and unity
- improves focus on learning
- reducing bullying
- prepares children for secondary school life
- supports families financially

At present, the uniform consists of:	From January 2025, the uniform will be:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Royal blue jumper or cardigan</li> <li>• White shirt or polo shirt</li> <li>• Grey shorts or trousers</li> <li>• Black shoes</li> </ul> <p>Girls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grey pinafore dress or skirt worn with white or grey socks</li> </ul> <p>PE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sky blue t-shirt</li> <li>• Shorts or joggers</li> <li>• Trainers</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uniform with the school logo is optional</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Royal blue jumper or cardigan <b>or a blazer</b></li> <li>• White shirt or polo shirt</li> <li>• Grey shorts or trousers</li> <li>• Black shoes <b>or black trainers</b></li> <li>• <b>Red tie</b> (The school will provide first tie for free)</li> </ul> <p>Girls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grey pinafore dress or skirt worn with white or grey socks</li> </ul> <p>PE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Plain white t-shirt</b></li> <li>• <b>Black</b> shorts or joggers</li> <li>• Trainers</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uniform with the new school logo remains optional</li> </ul>

The items listed in red are the changes and children **do not** have to wear uniform with the school logo.



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# Gorsefield 2024

The children and staff all had a fabulous time at Gorsefield this week!

