



# Chisenhale Chatter

Chisenhale Primary School Bow



Learning Together for a Better Future

WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

Children's rights are learned, understood and lived in this school.



1/4/22

Dear parents, carers and children,  
The time has come for me to bid you farewell. I want to say a huge thank you for all the very kind words, cards and gifts. The children have said goodbye through performance, song and again, incredibly kind words. I know I leave them all in safe hands with Gemma and the rest of the Chisenhale team. I wish each and every one of you all the very best, and hope to get an invite to the Year 6 show.

In other news, The Eco Committee started our week with an assembly to explain their action plan, and remind us how we can all be more Eco aware. They told us about how we can be more waste conscious and ensure we recycle properly; how we can conserve energy in school; and how we can make our school more biodiverse. They all received their Eco Warrior pin badge which should make them easily identifiable. Well done to them all, and thank you to Tina who leads the team. Please try to join them on their litter pick on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April in Victoria Park.

The children in Reception and Nursery went off bug hunting at the Soanes Centre this week, and Year 3 had their Lessons in Loaf, baking some very tasty bread.

Representatives from The Worshipful Company of Weavers visited school this week. They expressed that they had thoroughly enjoyed their tour, being greeted with warm welcomes in every classroom. The children were confident to ask questions, wanted to show their work (including amazing Y1 fossils and Reception stories) and to thank the visitors for the new books they have donated to the class book areas. A highlight was listening to the year group representatives sharing why they love reading and how World Book Day and our library inspires them to enjoy books.

Everyone has been incredibly generous in raising money for charity in the last couple of weeks - thank you. We raised £571 for Comic Relief in donations and through selling red noses; we raised £320 in donations for Ukraine, and £477 at the cake sale for Ukraine.

We have a new Parent Governor, who I am sure will be an asset to the school. He is Hemanth Shanthigrama, who has a son in Year 2 - welcome to

the Governing Body.

A huge thank you to the PTA for coming to the rescue with 340 chocolate Easter eggs so that all the children could complete an egg hunt.

It was fantastic to see so many parents coming into school for the Family Day, thank you very much. It is great for the children to have an audience for all their hard work.

As the holy month of Ramadan begins this weekend, I wish you a peaceful and joyful Ramadan.

Very best wishes,

Sharon

These children will receive a praise postcard this week:

**Sprouts** - Aliur and Lewis

**Broccoli** - Ahlam and Mabel

**Curly Kale** - Azad and Reuben

**Beetroot** - Finlay and Louie

**Basil** - Isla and Rafi

**Thyme** - Maude and Rayan

**Mint** - Harry and Selena

**Lavender** - William and Savannah

**Cherry** - Ayaan and Arthur

**Rowan** - Leon and Frankii

**Oak** - Daniella and Oak

**Willow** - Ahmed and Sienna

# Parent workshops and events

## Coffee mornings with Gemma, our new Head Teacher

Come and meet Gemma, our new head, over coffee in the library on Friday April 22<sup>nd</sup> or Friday April 29<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Please also see the letter from her attached here.

## Schools Counselling Service Coffee Morning



You are invited!  
**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April**  
9am in the Library



Come and meet Roxy, the new therapeutic lead for the School Counselling Service. This is a chance find out more about the service in school for children and parents, discuss future parent workshops on wellbeing and mental health, and, if you would like, talk in a safe space about what can best support you. **We hope to see you there.**

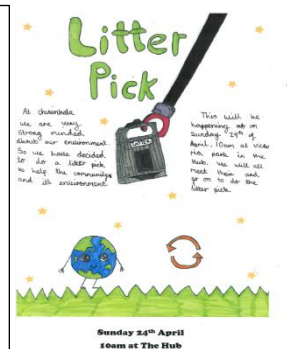
## New legal, debts and benefits advice sessions

From Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 9.30 we will be holding weekly individual legal, debt and benefit advice sessions in the schoolhouse. Funded by Action for Bow, this new service from University House Legal Advice Centre helps local residents check they are getting any benefits they are entitled to and looks at maximising your income. So if you are worried about the rise in the cost of living and energy costs and would like some help, email Ruth on [rcrossan.211@lgfmail.org](mailto:rcrossan.211@lgfmail.org) to make an appointment.

### Vaccinations for children

Healthy 5 to 11 year olds will be offered the COVID-19 vaccine from the beginning of April. Vaccinations will take place outside of school, in vaccination centres, pharmacies, GP surgeries and walk-in centres. Parents of 5 to 11 year olds will receive a letter from the NHS with further information on the vaccine. For 5 to 11 year old and 12 to 15 year old vaccinations, please [book COVID-19 vaccination appointments online](#), at a vaccination centre or pharmacy, or [find a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination site](#) without needing an appointment.

Our Eco Club here at Chisenhale is hoping to help our local environment by organising a litter pick in Victoria Park....Please come along to help out, we're meeting on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 10am at The Hub** to do an hour or so of litter picking to help the local wildlife and to make the park a nicer place to be.



### Families Matter

Bitesize E-bulletin

Parental Engagement  
School Transition  
Parenting  
SEND  
Local Offer  
Information  
Support  
Holiday Childcare  
Parent Voice



Please click [here](#) to read for lots of useful info

**School closes at 1.40pm for Nursery, Reception and Years 3-6 and at 1.50pm for Years 1&2 on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April for the Easter holidays. Children come back to school on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April.**

School is also closed on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May and re-opens on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May. This closure is for bank holidays, Eid and a polling day. Year 6 children will be expected in school on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May from 8.30-12.30. We will be holding an Eid celebration on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May after school. Food, crafts and fun and games. Please contact the PTA if you will be able to help on the day or bring some food.