

Chisenhale Chatter





05/03/21

Hello

What a different World Book Day that was! Thanks to all of the staff who recorded fantastic stories, masked and unmasked for the children. Many of the children looked fantastic and made a real effort, and we felt we still celebrated with some great activities and work from our brilliant Chisenhale readers.

So, a couple of days and we are all back to school. We are so looking forward to welcoming the children back to their usual classes on Monday. Please talk to your children in readiness for Monday, to prepare them. Let them know that: staff will be wearing masks more than before; that they will all be having hot dinners in the hall; all classes will have afternoon play every day. But everything else will be the same as before the Christmas break. This includes staying in bubbles, lots of handwashing and keeping a distance from others.

Reminders for parents:

- All children to bring their water bottles every day
- Be on time in the mornings and for pick-ups please
- Children to wear footwear and clothing suitable for sport and PE
- Return the laptops and learning packs with the whiteboards, pens etc

We are excited that the Green Screens are now in place at both the EYFS gate and Chisenhale Road gate. They are ready for parents to wait safely and socially distanced when dropping off and collecting the children. We are now planning to make them ready for use during school hours too.

Please complete the Relationships
Education Survey, which was sent via email last
Friday. Apologies that the final question had an
error. We have fixed it. Forgive us - our first
attempt at a Google Form!
Wishing you a really happy weekend.

Sharon

Night Owls and Breakfast Club will be open as usual from Monday 8th March. If you need to make any changes to your days or book your child in, please email Kim on

teachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk



We will be selling Red Noses after school at the gates from Wednesday 10th March. We will also have some at the office for Night Owls children. They are £1.50 each

Please buy from us as we have 280 to sell!!

They are 100% plastic free and are based on woodland creatures. The box then turns inside out to make a house for the nose!

Turn on the subtitles!

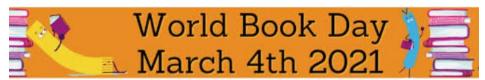
Research is showing that turning on the subtitles while watching TV or films is improving children's reading considerably and they don't even notice!

Look it up: https://turnonthesubtitles.org/
Or follow #turnonthesubtitles

Diary Dates

Friday 19th March Red Nose Day
Friday 26th March Last day of term. School closes at 1.45 or 2pm depending on year group
Monday 12th April First day of summer term
15th & 16th April Parent consultations on
Relationships Education
19th-22nd April Parents' evenings
Monday 3rd May School closed - May bank holiday

Thursday 6th May School closed - polling day 17th -21st May Science week



We had lots of fun celebrating World Book Day virtually yesterday. The theme of Chisenhale's World Book Day was 'Possibilities' and we used thought-provoking picture books throughout the school to inspire us and get us reading and talking about possibilities.



In Nursery, children focussed on the book 'All the Ways to be Smart', talking about unusual skills and sharing hidden talents. Reception focused on the book 'What the Ladybird Heard' and made a stage set and puppets to go with the story. Y1 created their own version of 'All the Ways to be Smart' and created 'smart' statements based on the children's own strengths. Y2's love of reading popped up in Maths where they solved Roald Dahl-themed addition and subtraction problems and focussed on 'The Night Gardener' to create their own secret gardens and leaf animals. Y3 studied the poetry in 'All the Ways to be Smart' and celebrated the possibilities and unique qualities in us all. In Y4, children read the book 'What do you do with a Chance?' and yesterday, they created their own illustrations to go with it as well as breaking some comic book codes in Maths. They also attended an online author session with Liz Pichon. Y5 chose the same book and took part in some live, thought provoking discussion sessions as well as beautifully redesigning the front cover of the book. They also attended an online author session with Helen Rutter. Y6 created some artwork reflecting the book 'It's your World Now' following some live guided reading sessions in the morning.

All classes were treated to some reading extracts produced by many members of staff, some hiding behind masks or hidden from view, and the children had a go at guessing who their masked readers were. It was lovely to see lots of brilliant book-themed costumes in our google meets yesterday. Thank you to everyone involved!

We have £1 book tokens ready and waiting to be given out when the children are all back to school. Here are the books on the £1 list this year.

