



10/09/21



### **Hello everyone!**

Welcome to the first Chatter of the year.

Firstly, I would like to welcome all of the new children and their families to Chisenhale. We also have welcomed two new teachers, Aysha in Year 4 and Reshmi in Year 6. Miranda gave birth to two beautiful babies in the summer - Ted and Flynn and they are all doing very well.

The children are settling well into their classrooms and it is great to see them all. We also had the pleasure of seeing the children from last year's Year 6 as we gave them a proper goodbye on Thursday after school.

Thank you to all of you who have taken part in the school cycling fundraiser - Tour de Bow, we are very grateful. The Playspace has been busy over the holidays - a huge thank you to all of you involved in that. I am meeting councillors next week to talk about the future of the space.

A few reminders:

Please make sure we have up to date contact details for at least two people who we can contact in an emergency. We are also sending out text messages, so it is important we have a number which is checked regularly.

Please ensure your child is in school on time and picked up on time. We now have the teachers in the playground at the end of the day, and parents coming in so that we are able to communicate with you better. However, please hang back if you want a chat as the teachers need to hand the children safely to their parents first. We are also going to try making a one way direction of travel for pick up to reduce over-crowding.

We remain cautious about covid with rising numbers locally and lower vaccination rates than National. We are following the guidance and if we are notified of a positive case, we contact the parents of the children who have had close contact and ask that their child has a PCR test. We will notify parents in that year group too, but this is for information only as the children still need to come to school and maintain their attendance. Please continue to talk to your children about hygiene and keeping covid safe.

**Have a happy weekend,**

**Sharon**

Start time:

Year 6, 5, 4 - gates open 8.30am - lessons start at 8.40

Years 3, 2, & 1 - need to be coming in at 8.45 as lessons start at 8.55am

Reception and Nursery gate opens at 8.45 and closes at 9am

End of the day:

Nursery pick up from 3.05

Reception from 3.20

Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 - pick up 3.20

Years 1& 2 pick up 3.30

### **Free English language classes for parents and carers**

Our free English language classes for parents and carers will be starting again on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September. They will take place every Monday in term time from 9-11am with the possibility of a virtual class on Wednesdays. **We will be holding a registration and assessment morning on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September in the schoolhouse at 9am so please come along to that if you are interested in joining the class.** If our class is not quite right for you we may be able to help you find another class locally.

The following children will be receiving a praise postcard this week:

**Sprouts** - Joseph and Sofia

**Broccoli** - Yusra and Henry

**Curly Kale** - Aadam and Ollie

**Beetroot** - Manha and Reuben

**Basil** - Lucia and Isla

**Thyme** - Mikaeel and Lezandi

**Mint** - Khadijah and Al-Yasa

**Lavender** - Parker and Evie

**Cherry** - Ayyub and Nazifa

**Rowan** - Ruby and Max

**Oak** - Hussain and Honey

**Willow** - Isabella and Ahmed

### **PTA News**

Don't miss out on the last Saturday creative session tomorrow in the Learn, Play, Create space plus a cake sale! See attached leaflet. We had a PTA meeting this morning and decided our next event will be a **bonfire night celebration after school on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November** instead of the fete we had pencilled in for October 2<sup>nd</sup>. We might even be able to have fireworks! Please email Ruth on [rcrossan.211@lqflmail.org](mailto:rcrossan.211@lqflmail.org) to get involved and please keep the date free.

**Family gardening club will start again next Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> from 3.30-4.15. Come along to the garden in the main playground to find out how you can help us maintain our school garden. We are also interested in any volunteers who have some free time during the week to come in and do a bit of weeding and pruning.**