

Chisenhale Chatter

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











10.10.2025

I'm delighted to share some wonderful updates from our school this week. Our Year 4 pupils have been enjoying daily swimming sessions, which will continue into next week. This provides an excellent opportunity for physical development and confidence.

We've had some exciting educational experiences recently. Year 2 visited the Tate Modern yesterday, offering our pupils a fantastic cultural experience and exposure to contemporary art. These educational visits are crucial in broadening our pupils' horizons and understanding of the world around them. Several of our Key Stage 2 classes participated in tennis sessions today, promoting physical activity and providing opportunities for pupils to develop new sporting skills.

A special mention of gratitude goes to our fantastic PTA for organising the spooky sale today. Their continued support enriches our school community and we are looking forward to the spooky family disco on October 23rd.

I want to take a moment to celebrate an extraordinary milestone. Today, we celebrated Cathy's 80th birthday - a truly remarkable occasion. Cathy has been an integral part of Chisenhale for an incredible 47 years, currently working in our early years during lunchtime and in our Night Owls provision. She is, without doubt, a very special member of our school family.

Our celebration was filled with joy and warmth. The children wore special 'Cathy' hats, waved 'Cathy' flags, and sang songs in her honour. Riona even treated us to a beautiful trumpet solo. Chef David baked a cake for everyone, making the celebration complete.

Cathy represents the essence of what makes Chisenhale special - dedication, warmth, and a genuine commitment to our pupils. We hope she understands just how cherished and important she is to everyone in our school community.

One final reminder, if children are bringing packed lunches to school, they must comply with our healthy eating policy, so no cakes, chocolate or crisps and absolutely NO NUTS - please see the attached leaflet for more ideas and speak to us if you are struggling to find foods your child will eat.

Gemma Anidi, Headteacher

These children will receive a praise postcard this week:

Woodlark: Amayah & Kyion

Wren: Paulin & Kai

Kinafisher: Frank & Grace Kestrel: Dylan & Luna Barn Owl: Kaylan & Raphael

Starling: Tate & Jettson Goldcrest: Lily & Adriana Goshawk: Mabel & Ethan Sparrow: Georgina & Modasir

Swift: Aiyaz & Sasha

Next week we will be collecting Harvest Festival donations of **non-perishable food** (tins and packets) and toiletries for the Bow Food Bank.

A note on our nearly-new uniform shop: we have lots of stock available so do pop in if you need any uniform. Please only donate school uniform items in good condition and don't bring in any nonuniform items, which we then have to dispose of.

Dates for your diary

Friday 10th October, from 3.30 in the library Spooky family crafting session and costume and props sale

Wednesday 22nd October – Year 7 tea party 4-5pm Thursday 23rd October, school photographer in for individual and sibling portraits

Thursday 23rd October, Spooky Family Disco, after school, 4.30-6pm

Friday 24th October, 2-3pm, open afternoon – come and join your child in class

Friday 12th December, 3.30-5.30, Winter Fair

Class assemblies, all in the top hall at 9am, on Fridays – parents welcome

14th November Goshawk Class

21st November Goldcrest Class

28th November Swift Class

30th January Sparrow Class

6th February Starling Class

13th March Barn Owl Class

1st May Kingfisher Class

12th June Woodlark Class

26th June Wren Class