



Chisenhale Chatter

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Primary School**

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Just a reminder that on Monday Fr Brian will be leading our annual harvest assembly. Thank you to all the parents who have already made donations of items for our celebration. We would be very grateful for any further donations. Everything will be given to Bow Food Bank afterwards for distribution. Please bring in any tinned or dried non-perishable items that you can spare on Monday, such as rice, pasta, lentils, tea, coffee, tinned fruit and vegetables and toiletries. These items can be left at the office or brought into class. We are also looking for donations of any unwanted wool or cotton yarn for a stall at our Winter fair, again please leave these at the office or give them to Ruth.

On Tuesday, Roxy, our school counselling manager, did an assembly for Y1- Y6, around dealing with worries and reminding children how they can request some time with her. Unfortunately, there were a number of children who arrived late at different times after the assembly had started, which was quite disruptive and meant that these children did not get the full benefit of what was a lovely assembly. It is really important that children get to school on time. The gate closes at 8:55 and all children need to be in school by then please. Also, a reminder that we cannot accommodate bikes and scooters after the gates are closed. If you arrive late you will need to take any bikes or scooters back home with you.

Yesterday both Y1 classes had workshops with Artburst. The work was on an autumn theme. The children painted a large backdrop and then made leaf and animal cut-outs to stick on it. Following this, they learnt a song, which they performed in front of their backdrop.

Just another safety reminder: we have quite a few children coming into school in Crocs-style shoes and have noticed they are not very secure when going up and down the stairs. Please can you ensure your child wears sensible, close fitting shoes such as trainers, traditional school shoes or boots.

Today we had the last of the meet the parent sessions, which was for our Nursery parents and we again had a good turnout. Our next parent event will be taking place on Friday 25th October, the last day of this half-term. Parents are invited in to their children's classrooms between 2:00pm and 3:00pm. We look forward to seeing you all then.

Mairead McCarthy, Acting Headteacher

These children will receive a praise postcard this week:

Kingfisher: George & Joud

Kestrel: Luna & Louis

Blackbird: Isa & Clarence

Buzzard: Philomene & Raphael

Magpie: Lulu & Finley

Merlin: Max & Jettson

Goldcrest: Telico & Deen

Goshawk: Mabel & Yusra

Sparrow: Rhys & Jago

Swift: Hayley & Adam

Chiffchaff: Sani & Isla

Crossbill: Maryam & Vitali

PTA Annual General Meeting

We held the PTA annual general meeting last week and appointed Chloe (mum to Jack in Buzzard class) and Cherie (mum to Robin in Merlin class) as co-chairs and re-appointed Andrew (dad to Jake in Goshawks) as treasurer. We are still looking for a secretary to look after comms if anyone is interested. We also voted in some new trustees for the PTA charity.

Many thanks to Vicki, our out-going chair, for her incredible work over the last two years.

PTA meetings will be at 9am on the first Wednesday of the month in the library – everyone is welcome. The next meeting is on November 6th.

Dates for your diary – see also the Key Dates sheet sent out previously

Tuesday 22nd October after school, in the library, PTA International Food Event. Bring some food to share or come along to try out different cuisines and find out about the countries they come from. Bring some cash to try out foods or take some home for later.

Parents' open afternoon, Friday 25th October from 2-3pm – come into school and spend some time in your child's class

HALF-TERM BREAK: school closes at the usual time on Friday 25th October and re-opens on Monday 4th November.

Wednesday 6th November, 9am in the library – PTA meeting, all welcome

Friday 8th November – Fireworks Night, after school for food and drink, fireworks will begin when it gets dark. We are just finalising arrangements for this event but put it in your diaries as we are hopeful it will be able to go ahead as in previous years.

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

22nd November, Crossbill; 29th November, Chiffchaff; 31st January, Merlin; 7th February, Goldcrest; 28th February, Sparrow; 7th March, Swift; 14th March, Goshawk; 21st March, Magpie; 16th May, Kingfisher; 13th June, Buzzard; 4th July, Kestrel; 11th July, Blackbird.