

Chisenhale Chatter

WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

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









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This week was Anti-Bullying Week and children have been doing a range of activities in their classes around this year's theme of 'Choose Respect'.

On Thursday, Year 5 went to St Paul's Cathedral for a day of music making! They were greeted in the quire where the St Pauls' Choir performs and were given a demonstration of the enormous organ that is used in services and for special events. After that, they went to a smaller chapel where they got to play and improvise on an organ. In the afternoon, after a tour of the cathedral (which included looking at the spiral staircase that was used in the Harry Potter films) they rehearsed the songs that they later performed under the dome of St Paul's Cathedral with pupils from two other schools. "I liked looking up at the mosaics in the dome because it was beautiful to look at. I liked how we could make up our own music when we played the organ. The most impressive part was how it tried to do an imitation of a human's voice," Riona, Y5.

During the week starting 25th November, Chisenhale will be turning on our business brains. For our maths week this year we will be having an enterprise focus and you can get involved. Across the week all the children will be researching, creating and marketing our own product or experience. This will use our maths skills for statistics, money and calculating costs and profit. There will be prizes for the most: innovative, socially responsible, environmental, profitable and best marketed class. All of our profits will be donated to SAMI (Supporting African Maths Initiatives), a UK charity that supports initiatives to improve the quality and access to mathematics education across the continent of Africa. To take part please come to our trade fair on Friday 29th November from 2pm - 3pm. You will be able to peruse all of the products from across the school and put your money where your mouth is for the best offerings!

Please bring cash in the form of coins with you if possible as we will not be able to take cards and will have limited change available. We will ask you not to take your children around the school with you but you will be able to take them home with you when you leave, if you wish.

Finally, Year 4 are looking for cardboard boxes for their castle project so if you have any at home please bring them in for us next week.

Mairead McCarthy, Acting Headteacher

These children will receive a praise postcard this week:

Kingfisher: Rafa & Rosie
Kestrel: Frida & Yunus
Blackbird: Zakariya & Sofia
Buzzard: John & Khadija
Merlin: Tate & Anshika
Magpie: Arla & Aidan
Goldcrest: Ifra & Arham
Goshawk: Kyla & Thomas
Sparrow: Margo & Reuben
Swift: Adiyan & Savannah
Chiffchaff: Sakinah & Sven
Crossbill: Umamah & Tara

Winter fair help needed

Can you help us to make our PTA Winter Fair a huge success to raise money for the school? We need people to help before and on the day. Before the date, could you

- Bake a cake, biscuits, samosas, sausage rolls or spring rolls and bring them in on the day?
- Spare a little time during the school day to help us sort through donated toys or prepare art activities?
- Prepare some food that we can package up to sell as a take-away eg. curries, biryani?

On the day, could you

- Come in early to help us set up the stalls?
- Run a stall?

If you can help please let Ruth or the PTA know as soon as possible by email or whats'app message.

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

Monday 18th November, school photographer in to take individual and sibling portraits for you to purchase, should you so wish. Please ensure children are in their school uniform.

Parenting workshops from Tower Hamlets Education Wellbeing Service, at 9am in the library, all welcome: **Building Confidence and Managing Anxiety in Your Child** on Monday 25th November.

Friday 29th November, 2-3pm, Maths Enterprise event, parents welcome

Friday 6th December, Winter Fair from 3.30-5.30 in the top hall and on the roof for Santa's grotto

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.