



Chisenhale Chatter

**Chisenhale
Primary School**

Confidence • Curiosity • Kindness

**WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD
RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL**

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



16.1.2026

This week, we celebrated our autumn term 'Amazing Writers' by taking our winners on a special trip to the British Library. This opportunity allows our pupils to see the broader world of literature and recognise their own potential.

This week, we welcomed Raquel, our new therapeutic lead, who introduced herself to the children during a special assembly. She has lots of exciting ideas for how to further develop the counselling service at the school.

I was particularly excited to restart our after-school clubs this week, and I had the pleasure of leading the first session of our creative writing club. The enthusiasm and creativity displayed by the pupils were remarkable. Within just our first session, the quality of writing produced was truly impressive.

A significant moment of celebration from the end of last term, was our Winter Fair. I am immensely proud to announce that through the incredible dedication of our Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and the generous support of our school community, we raised a record-breaking ten thousand pounds. This achievement is a testament to the collaborative spirit of our school. I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the PTA for their tireless efforts and to everyone who attended and supported this fantastic event. Every contribution, whether through volunteering, attendance, or donation, makes a substantial difference to our school.

Thinking about donations, we would also be very happy to accept any second-hand bikes, trikes or balance bikes that are suitable for the children in Early Years. If your children received new bikes over the festive period we would be very happy to have your old ones, provided they are not too big and are still in good condition.

Gemma Anidi, Headteacher

These children received a praise postcard this week:

Wren: Rahma & Jude

Woodlark: Ben & Agnes

Kingfisher: Agnes & Zayed

Kestrel: Niamh & Yunus

Barn Owl: Bonnie, Max & Nadifa

Starling: Holly, Gabriel & Max

Goldcrest: Adriana & Ahlam

Goshawk: Nate & Rayyan

Sparrow: Azad & Thomas

Swift: Jeslord & Tabia

Please see the attached letter from Raquel, our new school counsellor who has taken over from Roxy. There are details of how to contact her should you wish to make an appointment.

Dates for your diary

Friday 13th February, 2-3pm, open afternoon – come and spend some time in class with your child

**Monday 16th – Friday 20th February
SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HALF TERM**

Parents' evenings, Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd March – details to follow

Thursday 5th World Book Day – dress up as your favourite character, whole school events during the day

Friday 6th March World Book Day sale, 3.30pm in the playground

Friday 20th March – school closed for Eid

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

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

Friday 10th July Kestrel Class