



# Chisenhale Chatter

Chisenhale Primary School Bow



17/09/21

Hello

What a week! We started very well with Aretha Franklin's Respect blaring out in each classroom as the start of our weekly whole school assembly. We talked about the phrase 'mutual respect'. The children considered when it is easy to be respectful, when it is hard and how to respect themselves. This was also introduced as one of the British Values, and I hope the children will be contributing to a display outside my office. The theme is 'What does Respect mean to you?'

Tuesday, however started with an early morning call from Chris to say the water pumps were not pumping. I made the decision to close the school as there was no way an engineer would get to the school and fix the issue before we needed to wash our hands and go to the toilet!

Staff completed some training at home, so we did make use of the day. We had training from Nicole from the local authority on teaching writing and how we are adjusting our planning to cover missed learning, but aiming to have the year group curriculum still covered by the end of the academic year.

We have welcomed more Nursery children into school this week, and overall the children in the Early Years are settling beautifully. I was given a copy of a fantastic picture of 'Harry Potter making magic out of his wand', from Clarence in Nursery - it has pride of place in my office.

All teaching and support staff also took part in training this week around meeting the needs of children with Special Educational Needs. This is part of our School Development Plan to have a very visible culture of support for children with additional needs.

We have this week, had a number of Covid 19 cases reported. I have sent out a letter via email to keep parents updated.

Please make sure we have received your update form, sent out before the summer break, if you have changed your email or phone number. Alternatively, just let the office know your new details.

Have a fab weekend,  
Sharon

## Free English language classes for parents and carers

Our free English language classes for parents and carers will be starting again on Monday 27<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 another registration and assessment morning on Monday 20<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** - Otto and Alma
- Broccoli** - Phillip and Ismaeel
- Curly Kale** - Ifza and Jago
- Beetroot** - Morris and Riona
- Basil** - Nithya and Minhaj
- Thyme** - Aggie and Max
- Mint** - Torin and Sam
- Lavender** - Savannah and Sean
- Cherry** - Sahat and Jasper
- Rowan** - Leon and Rex
- Oak** - Daniella and Lauren
- Willow** - Aamilah and Zakariya

## PTA News

We are still looking for a Chair (or two co-Chairs) to head up the PTA this year. Oliver Keens is the secretary and Laurence Peck is the Treasurer. If you are interested in standing as Chair please email Ruth for more details, [rcrossan.211@lgflmail.org](mailto:rcrossan.211@lgflmail.org) You will receive lots of support from the school and other parents but we do need someone who can spare a few hours to help us organise social and fundraising events. In the meantime we have decided to hold 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 are hoping to have food, fireworks and a few other stalls. Please email Ruth to get involved and please keep the date free. **Family gardening club will start again this Friday, 17<sup>th</sup>**