

Chisenhale Chatter

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This week Year 2 had a very enjoyable visit to the newly refurbished Young V&A and Year 6 were due to visit Chisenhale Gallery this afternoon to have a look at the fascinating Alia Farid exhibition there.

We have recently reached out to some of our parents for help with the Early Years playground: over the Easter holidays we are planning to refurbish the playground and we would like to cheer up the space by painting the walls as well. We are really interested in hearing from any other parents who might be able to help us with this one weekend - please email Ruth or come along to a meeting next Thursday, February 1st at 2.45pm in the library.

Jo attended the NEU teachers' delegation to visit the Care 4 Calais distribution centre in Calais last weekend. It was a hectic weekend with lots of sorting and distributing of donations. But it was also a very special opportunity to see the impactful work Care4Calais does for refugees in need of support, especially at this time of year, when it is so cold. Care4Calais are always keen for volunteers, so if you are interested in getting involved, please do check out their website: https://care4calais.org/

In addition, they are currently struggling to get donations of men's clothing. If you have any items that are clean and in good condition, please drop them off in the school office, and Jo can arrange for them to be sent to Calais with the next NEU delegation. This includes in particular, slim/skinny fit jeans, jackets, hoodies, gloves and scarves.

Gemma Anidi. Headteacher

These children will receive a praise postcard this week:

> Blackbird: Sonny & Caleb Buzzard: Dylan & Florence Magpie: Finley & Enzo Merlin: Layla & Ayah

Goldcrest: Ikram & Telico Goshawk: Lily & Jake Sparrow: Milind & Louie Swift: Riona & Tabia

Crossbill: James & Ellie Chiffchaff: Zayema & Nafisa Waxwing: Lina & Ajmain

Woodlark: Luna & Sean

News and information

Do you have any Lego at home that you no longer need? If so, we would love to have it in school as children play with it at break-times and we could do with some more.

There won't be a Rocksteady lesson on Wednesday the 31st of January, as our Band Leader will be volunteering as part of the Rocksteady Foundation. The Foundation works with charities and organisations across the country who support children and young people in need, offering free music workshops:

https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/foundation/ Your child will still receive the number of sessions you have paid for, however.

Please check the lost property in our reception area. All of this is un-named so we cannot return it to your child. We will wash and recycle these clothes next week if they remain un-claimed.

Dates for your diary

Friday 2nd February, 9am in the library, PTA meeting, all welcome

CHANGE OF DATE: Thurs 8th February, from 3.30pm, PTA cake sale and Chinese New Year celebration

Friday 9th February, 2pm, open afternoon, all parents welcome to come into class

Friday 1st March, PTA Quiz Night, doors open 7.30, quiz starts 8pm, all adults welcome, more info soon Friday 8th March, World Book Day – dress up as your favourite character, followed by PTA book sale at 3.30pm

Wednesday 27th March, Easter Bonnet parade from 9am, parents welcome

Friday 19th April, from 3.30, main playground, PTA Eid celebration

Saturday 6th July, from 11am, Summer Fair

Class assemblies in the top hall at 9am: Crossbill, 2nd February- CHANGE OF DATE; Chiffchaff, 8th March; Sparrow, 15th March; Swift 22nd March; Goshawks, 10th May; Goldcrests, 24th May; Merlin 7th June; Magpie, 14th June; Blackbird, 21st June; Buzzard, 28th June.