



# Chisenhale Chatter

WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

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



**Chisenhale**  
Primary School

Confidence • Curiosity • Kindness

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Gemma has started her maternity leave this week, so I'm sure you'll all join with me in wishing her well. I am very excited to be taking over leading the school in her absence and look forward to working with staff and parents.

A big well done to all our amazing mini-marathon runners. Last weekend 34 of our fantastic pupils ran a mile and 15 ran for 2.6 km. The runners ranged in age from Reception to Y6 and raised well over £2,000 for the school. So impressive! We will celebrate their achievements in assembly on Monday.

This week Y2 Magpies attended the Ragged School Museum, as part of their topic on the Victorians. They joined in a role play with an actor who played the part of Ms Perkins, a strict teacher. She talked to the children about the punishments they used in Victorian times. The children reflected on the difficult choice facing poor children of the time - attend a school where the teachers are unkind but get to learn and eat a meal or stay away but do not get to learn at all.

I would just like to remind you that children should come to school wearing their PE kit on the days that they have PE. (PE kit consists of navy or black jogging bottoms and a royal blue t-shirt.) Children need to wear suitable footwear for PE also - trainers or plimsolls.

**Mairead McCarthy**  
**Acting Headteacher**

These children will receive a praise postcard this week:

**Blackbird:** Charlotte & Glory

**Buzzard:** Harlowe & Rafa

**Magpie:** Luca & Ayatt

**Merlin:** Layla & Ayah

**Goldcrest:** Ikram & Telico

**Goshawk:** Rayyan & Aliur

**Sparrow:** Jago & Olivia

**Swift:** Reuben & Sasha

**Chiffchaff:** Maryam & Minhaj

**Crossbill:** Ariana & Rayan

**Waxwing:** Asiyah & Thomas

**Woodlark:** Ahyan & Yasin

## News and events

Have you heard of the word **Oracy** but wondered what it meant? Have your children been talking about Oracy assemblies and you want to know more? Did you know that Chisenhale is a Tower Hamlets Oracy Bronze Award School but we want Silver? The answer to all these questions and more, and a little bit of fun, are all available at the Oracy parent meeting. Please come along to the meeting on **Friday 3rd May 9am**.

**NEW – higher level free English class for parents. Our new ESOL class will run on Thursday mornings from 10-12. Please come for an assessment on 9th May if you think this might be the right class for you.**

Join us for the launch of *Migrate Journey* at Chisenhale Gallery, from 26-28 April, a collaboration between Mile End Community Project, Shahed Saleem and Rehan Jamil. A new installation displaying untold stories of migration to Tower Hamlets will be unveiled alongside a weekend of events connecting diverse migration experiences across generations and cultures - with talks, family-friendly workshops, food and more. For the full programme and to book free tickets, follow this link: <https://t.co/7DrJ4S5mSq>

## Dates for your diary

**SCHOOL CLOSED ON THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> MAY FOR POLLING – EXCEPT FOR YEAR 6**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 9am in the library, Oracy workshop for KS2 parents

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 9am, PTA meeting in the schoolhouse

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May School closed – Bank Holiday

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July, from 11am, Summer Fair

**Class assemblies in the top hall at 9am:**

Goshawks, 10<sup>th</sup> May; Goldcrests, 24<sup>th</sup> May; Merlin 7<sup>th</sup> June;

Magpie, 14<sup>th</sup> June; Blackbird, 21<sup>st</sup> June; Buzzard, 28<sup>th</sup> June.