



Chisenhale Chatter



30/04/21

Hello! This week, we thought you would like to hear about some learning highlights from our year groups so, over to them!

In Year 1 Science this term, we have been investigating what plants need to grow and stay healthy. We planted four pots in different conditions and observed what happened. This week we had a few surprises! We found one bulb began to grow with only water, light and no soil and we were shocked to see one bulb grow without sunlight and only water! We also planted individual cress pots and had fun watching them grow within a week.

In Year 2, while reading 'The Story Machine', we read about how Elliot discovered a mysterious device in his attic. We were so inspired by this book, we decided to put on our invention caps to design our own weird and wacky machines and thought about what kind of problem they would solve. We then used all the junk modelling the families have kindly donated to make them a reality.

In Year 3 Basil Class, we entered a competition set by the Royal Mail to design our own stamp with a picture of someone who has inspired us through lockdown! All the children designed their own stamps and we will be sending them off this week! In Year 3 Thyme Class, we've been enjoying our topic 'Frozen Kingdoms'. In Art, we created Arctic-themed mood boards and have begun our class mural. Thomas says, "I've really enjoyed reading 'Ice Palace' in English this week. I liked writing the story as the shape-shifter".

As Scientists, Year 4 investigated different types of soil in the outdoor classroom. These soil samples were kindly brought in by Chisenhale adults from their gardens. We used our working scientifically skills to classify, test and identify the type of soil it was.

This week in Year 5 we have been continuing our journey through the gripping play Macbeth - we have become witches ourselves in fact and written our own versions of Double Double Toil and Trouble, including some very disgusting and hard to find ingredients like 'the essence of a tiger's roar' and 'a moth's spine'. Aamilah says, "It's almost like watching a movie!" and Tamjeed says, "It's cool to learn what Shakespeare wrote."

Year 6 have been immersing themselves in their new book 'Cosmic'. Ben says, "I like reading Cosmic because it's new and interesting and is written in a different style to the books we have read so far." Martin says, "I enjoyed creating freeze frames linked to 'Cosmic'!" They have also been creating natural plastics from different materials, about which Etta says, "I liked the Science experiment because it was interesting how the milk reacted with the vinegar."

Do ask your child to tell you more about these exciting lessons! There are a few photos of some class work over the page.
Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend, Sharon and the Chisenhale Team

Reminders

- If you have a positive Covid test please email us as soon as possible: covid@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk
- Year 5 would like milk bottle tops (from plastic and glass bottles), kitchen roll tubes and small drinks bottles please.

The following children will be receiving a praise postcard this week:

- Sprouts** - Fatima and Finlay
- Broccoli** - Finlay and Morris
- Curly Kale** - Jaoyad and Sakinah
- Beetroot** - Kason and Emmanuella
- Basil** - Sean, Sam and Ahyan
- Thyme** - Juwairiyah and Huseyin
- Mint** - Aayan and Arthur
- Lavender** - Fintan and Rex
- Cherry** - Fabiha and Alex
- Oak** - Gabriel and Liba
- Willow** - Afsana and Abdul

Diary Dates

Monday 3rd May School closed - bank holiday

Thursday 6th May School closed - polling day

Monday 17th-Friday 21st May Science week

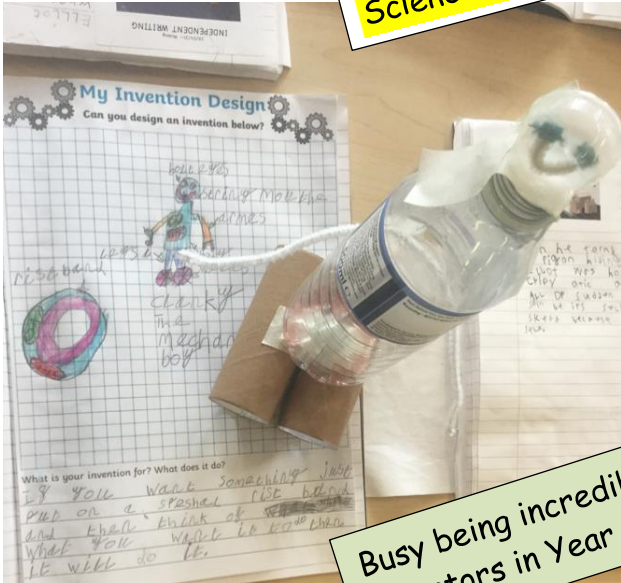
Monday 31st May-Friday 4th June
School closed for half term

Monday 21st June-Friday 25th June Art Week

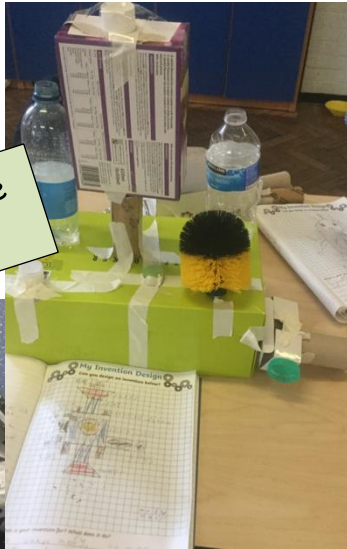
Keep the date: we are hoping that we might be able to have a summer fete of some kind this year if restrictions are lifted. We have pencilled in **Saturday 3rd July** so please keep it free!



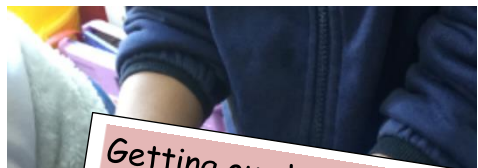
Science surprises and learning to grow cress in Year 1



Busy being incredible inventors in Year 2!



Arctic mood boards in Year 3!



Getting our hands dirty during soil investigations in Year 4!

