

Welcome to

Chisenhale

Learn — Play — Create

A new temporary space for play, meeting, chatting, making or taking a breather. Over the next few months we will host art events, kids workshops, and perhaps even the odd yoga class!

The enclosed playspaces are used by Chisenhale Primary School during the week but will be open for community activities at weekends and holiday times.

Come and enjoy the garden space – it's open for the whole community – and take home some herbs for dinner!

Who is involved?

Chisenhale Parent and Teacher Association (PTA) are leading the project, working closely with the Headteacher and staff at Chisenhale Primary School.

Our delivery partners are neighbouring organisations Chisenhale Dance and Chisenhale Studios and Gallery.

London Borough of Tower Hamlets Council have given temporary permission for the project and generously delivered the key components for the playground spaces.



Why is this needed?

The project is a direct response to the challenges faced by Chisenhale Primary School and its community as a result of Covid restrictions.



Previously the school operated mixed year group classes but must now have single year group bubbles. This means squeezing the schedule to make sure everyone can have play-times and PE lessons. The school doesn't have the outdoor space to facilitate this.

The project helps the children and their grown-ups social distance at pick up and drop off safely.

Please note this project is not linked to the Council's school streets programme which restricts vehicle access at certain times of day. That project has been consulted on separately.

How long will the project run for?

We have secured crowd funding through Spacehive from the community and the Council to run the project for at least 12 months.

The Council will lead any further consultation on the future of the space.

How does the community benefit?

- New space to sit and chat with friends and neighbours or watch the world pass by.
- Fewer vehicles = cleaner air
- New planting with herbs for everyone to use.
- A year of free events including art classes, yoga, bike servicing and more.
- New bike parking



What's coming up?

- 8th May: bench making, kids activities, bike servicing. FREE
- 12th June: Chisenhale Dance Space Encounter Bow event. Locations around Bow. FREE

Keep an eye out for further announcements.

Please get in touch!

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