

EYFS Newsletter

Autumn 1
1st October 2021

Chisenhale Primary School



Learning Together for a Better Future



Trips & Celebrations

Next week Reception classes plan to make their first trip to **Victoria Park**. Star Class on **Wednesday afternoon**. Moon Class on **Thursday afternoon**.



In October we will be introducing **Black History Month** through story.



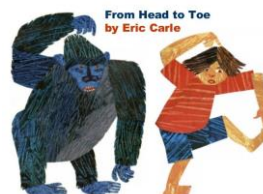
We will also be learning about and celebrating **Harvest Festival** next week



We will be having a **'Teddy Bears Picnic'** after our half term holiday in aid of **Children in Need**.
More information to follow.

This week in EYFS!

On Wednesday morning **Nursery** children went on their first trip, to Victoria Park as we have been learning about the season of **Autumn**. We have been learning some Autumn rhymes and have been creating Autumn tree pictures, leaf prints, bark rubbing and Andrew Goldsworthy inspired collages using the natural materials we found in the park – leaves, conkers, acorns and sticks.



Reception children have been reading **'From Head to Toe'** by **Eric Carle** and talking about their individual skills and abilities. They have continued their phonics programme focusing on the letter/sounds **p – i – n**. Next week they will complete phonics phase 2, set 2. We are planning to hold a parent workshop in the school library prior to our half term holiday to explain how we teach phonics to help your child develop their early reading and writing skills. Dates for this workshop will be confirmed shortly. It will be held at the beginning of the school day

Reception teachers have also completed the **Statutory Baseline Assessment** for the children in their classes.

At the **end of the day** we would ask that **Sun Class** parents and **Star Class** parents queue against the wall, **Moon Class** parents against the green screen.

Tracy (Sun), **Helen** (Moon) and **Harriet** (Star) will be at the gate on alternate evenings so you can get to know the Early Years Team.

School meals are **free** for children in Reception-Year 6. Nursery lunches cost £11.50 a week which can be paid by card or through a parentpay account. If you need a log-in for parentpay contact Kim in the office. If you have a child in Nursery who could be entitled to free school meals please contact Christine.

Parent Partnership

We have two designated email addresses for queries:

Nurseryteachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk

Receptionteachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk

Free English Classes for parents

Monday from 9-11am. Speak to Ruth Crossan our Home School Liaison Worker for more information.

Half Term Holiday

The half-term holiday will be from **Monday 25th-Friday 29th October**.

School will also be closed on **Friday 22nd October** for an INSET day.

Book Bags & Reading

Your child needs to bring their book bag into school every day. Please check their book bag daily for important letters or information. Initially we will be inviting your child to choose a book to take home and share with you every **Friday**.



How you can help

You can help by reading to and with your child every day.

How can I prepare my child to read?

Bikes & Scooters

We are able to accommodate bikes and scooters in the Early Years playground if your child chooses to scoot or cycle to school.

Clothing, Water Bottles & Lost Property

Play with water, mud, paint and sand are essential experiences for children in the Early Years which have important developmental learning outcomes. We encourage this exploration, **but it can get messy!**

Therefore, please ensure that your child has a **spare set of clothes** in their **changing bag** at school in case they get wet or dirty. If your child needs to change we will send the dirty clothes home in a plastic bag in their changing bag for you to return the next day.

Children also need to continue to bring a **water bottle** into school every day. Please make sure it is named.

All personal property should be labelled clearly with your child's name and class!

It will help us to help your child to learn to look after their property.