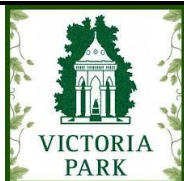




Trips & Celebrations



The first trip of the year for the EYFS will be to **Victoria Park** to look at the environment and to experience **Autumn** through our senses.

Merlin and Magpie Reception classes are planning to go in the morning of **Wednesday 7th October**. Reception classes will probably leave school shortly after **9.30am**.

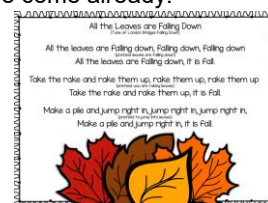
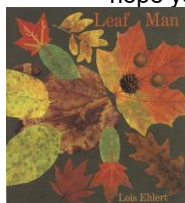
We will probably spend around an hour and a half in the park before returning to school. All trips will be dependent on good weather.

We welcome parents to accompany us on this, our first trip of the year. Please speak to your class teams.

The Reception team have been enjoying seeing the '**All About Me**' boxes which your children have been bringing in to share with their classmates. Please feel free to send them into school when they have been completed. There is no closing date for this activity.

This Week in the EYFS

On Thursday Sun Nursery made their first trip of the year to Victoria Park to look at the environment and to experience **Autumn** through our senses. Thanks to all the parents who shared this important milestone with us. We hope you are proud of how far we have come already!



In Sun Class our word of the week has been '**senses**'. We thought about how our five senses can be used to explore our environment. We read poems about our senses. We painted Autumn leaves and we learned some action rhymes about Autumn. We read '**Leaf Man**' by **Lois Ehlert** and then made our own picture using found materials from our walk in the park. In mathematics we have been counting collections of objects associated with Autumn such as leaves and conkers and learning to maintain 1:1 correspondence as we count. We have also sorted leaves by their colour and shape.

This week Reception classes have been learning about **Autumn** ahead of their trip to Victoria Park next Wednesday, which they are really excited about. In the Tower Hamlets Phonics Programme they have focused on the letters **m**, **d** and **g**. Now they have had the chance to learn the first nine phase two sounds they were ready to attempt their first reading sheet! They have also brought their first reading books home. Look out for a letter in the book bags with tips for reading with your child. In mathematics they have been comparing objects by size, number and mass.

Reception teachers are planning to launch the **Tapestry** platform in the near future. Please check your emails for a message that enables you to activate your account (if you have not already done so). You will shortly receive regular updates and images to say and show what your child has been doing in their time at school since September.

Nursery & Reception Parents WhatsApp Group

Our parents have active WhatsApp groups which you are welcome to join. These groups are not monitored by the school.

To Join Sun Nursery WhatsApp group. <https://chat.whatsapp.com/GIVA81ETaI00hgbXQIHfkE?s=qt&p=a&mlu=4&lr=4>

To join Reception WhatsApp Group: https://chat.whatsapp.com/CgKJgJh9C YA9J2HaJCluh?mode=qi_t

Parent Open Afternoon

At the end of this half term on **Friday 23rd October** from **2-3pm** you will have an opportunity to visit your child's classroom.

All welcome!

Half Term Holiday

The half-term holiday will be from **Monday 26th October** - **Friday 30th October**.

Marvellous Mornings

In the morning we open the Vivian Road gate from **8.45am to 9am**. Thank you for your support in helping your child separate from you at the gate – it is helping to ensure that all the children in the cohort experience a calm start to their day.

Similarly it would be helpful if children arrive by **9am** as our routines and teaching sessions are timed to begin promptly and all staff are then engaged in supporting the teaching and learning of the class. If children arrive late they will inevitably need help to settle and join their peers.

Reception have their phonics input each day from **9-9.30am** and this is key learning which is built on daily and incrementally. If children are regularly missing part or all of this session they will quickly fall behind their peers.

Lunches for Nursery Children

Meals for nursery children cost £3 a day, payable in advance for at least the week ahead. You can pay on Arbor or by card at the office. If you are in receipt of Universal Credit you might be entitled to free meals, please check with the office. Meals are presently free for all children from Reception upwards.

Lost Property

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.

Friday is non-uniform day at Chisenhale Primary School