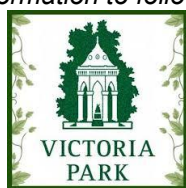




Trips & Celebrations



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. *More Information to follow shortly.*



Timings

Drop off and pick up for Nursery and Reception is via the garden gate in **Vivian Road**.

The gate will be open from **8.45am** in the morning and closes at **9am**. The school day ends at **3.15pm** for Nursery children and **3.25pm** for Reception children.

EYFS Lunches

Lunches for Nursery children cost **£12.50** a week and must be paid for in advance at the school office or by parentpay. ***If you think your child might be entitled to free school meals please let the office know.***

If your child brings a packed lunch please ensure that there are no nuts or nut products (e.g peanut butter or Nutella) as we are a nut-free school due to children with severe allergies.

EYFS Meet the Teacher

Thank you for your co-operation and support as we settle your children into their new school year.

Once we have settled your children you will have opportunities to 'Meet the Teacher'. This will be held in the school library.

For **Reception** parents that will be from **9am on Friday 4th October** and for Nursery parents **Friday 11th October**.

Half Term Holiday

The half-term holiday will be from **Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November**.

Welcome!

We have been delighted by how our Nursery graduates have begun their Reception year. This week we have welcomed new children and their families to **Wren** and **Woodlark** Reception classes and begun admitting our new Nursery cohort into Sun class.

We have begun our topic work in Reception with '**Me, Myself & I**' whilst in Nursery it's '**All About Me!**'. This week Reception children have been establishing their class routines, rules and expectations. In Sun Class we have been learning the names of our new friends.



Next week Reception will be joining the whole school in focusing on the book "**Errol's Garden**" by Gillian Hibbs.

Nursery parents should have received a copy of the 'All About Me' booklets to complete and return. Reception parents look out for information on 'All About Me' boxes which we will send home next week. Let us know if you need a copy of the information. Please bring these into school as you complete them. This activity is a good way for us to learn more about your unique child.

Tracy (Sun), Jill (Wrens) and April (Woodlarks) will be at the gate on alternate evenings so you can begin to get to know your child's teacher. Please be aware that it is not possible for us to have an extended conversation whilst we are making sure that children are admitted or leave safely - especially in these early weeks of the term when we are getting to know our cohorts.

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, provided you arrive before the gates close in the morning.

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.
Friday is non-uniform day at Chisenhale Primary School