

EYFS Newsletter

Autumn 1
6th October 2023



Chisenhale
Primary School

Confidence • Curiosity • Kindness

WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD
RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

Children's rights are learned, understood
and lived in this school.



Trips & Celebrations

On the final week of this half term we will be introducing **Black History Month** through story and music.



We will also be celebrating **Harvest Festival** in school on the Thursday 19th October.



Harvest Festival



We will be collecting **Harvest Festival** donations of **non-perishable food** (tins and packets) and **toiletries** for the Bow Food Bank.

Parent Partnership

Thank you for your support and understanding as we have been settling your child into their Nursery or Reception class.

It would helpful if you would now encourage your child to separate from you at the school gate or at the classroom door. Our staff will be ready to support you.

Save the date! You will be invited in to visit your child in their classroom on **Friday 20th October from 2.30pm**

Please also join us for this event if you can: .

**Friday 13th October, 9am in the library:
Understanding Phonics workshop for
Reception and Y1 parents**

EYFS Lunches

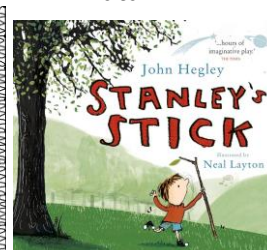
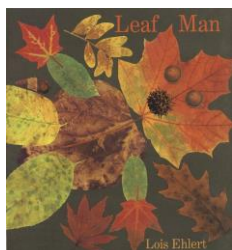
Lunches for Nursery children cost **£12.50** a week and must be paid for in advance at the school office or by parentpay. ***If you think your child might be entitled to free school meals please let the office know.*** If your child brings a packed lunch please ensure that there are **no nuts or nut products** (e.g peanut butter or Nutella) as we are a nut-free school due to children with severe allergies.

Half Term Holiday

The half-term holiday will be from **Monday 23rd -Friday 27th October.**

On Thursday morning 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!

This week in Sun Nursery we have painted Autumn leaves and trees and learned some Autumn rhymes. We read '**Leaf Man**' by **Lois Ehlert** and then made our own picture using found materials from our walk in the park. This week we have begun the '**Think Equal**' programme by considering the similarities and differences between ourselves and others. Our word of the week is **Autumn**.



This week Reception classes have been writing **recounts** of their trip to Victoria Park. They have also been introduced to the book '**Stanley's Stick**' by **John Hegley**. They have continued their phonics learning programme with the letters and sounds for **g, o, c & k**. In Mathematics they have been comparing amounts. Their word of the week is **imagine**.

Kingfisher Class have also been researching facts about Kingfishers and making drawings and collages of Kingfishers.

Book Bags & Reading

Reception children now have a daily phonics lesson. This supports them to read simple books independently after the first few weeks of the programme. Every child in Reception will have a '**Bug Club**' login to access texts at the appropriate level online. The designated books include only the letters, sounds and 'tricky words' which the children have encountered in the programme and therefore should be ready to read themselves.

***For more information please come along to our Phonics Workshop for Parents of children in Reception and Year 1
Next Friday 13th October from 9am in the school library.***

Clothing, Water Bottles & Lost Property

Please ensure that your child has their changing bag at school every day 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.

We would welcome donations of carrier bags, and any outgrown wellington boots, shoes, leggings or jogging bottoms.

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!