

## EFYS Newsletter

Autumn 1  
26<sup>th</sup> September 2025



**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

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.

**Capercaillie and Crossbill Reception** classes are planning to go in the afternoon of **next Monday 29th September**. Reception classes will probably leave school shortly after 1pm.

**Sun Nursery class** are planning to go in the morning of next **Wednesday 1st October**. They will probably leave around 9.30am.

Both year groups will probably spend around an hour and a half in the park before returning to school. Both 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 if you are available to support this trip.

### Arrivals

In the morning we open the Vivian Road gate from **8.45am to 9am**.

Now that all the children are aware of the routines and expectations on arrival, and have developed relationships with the adults in the setting, please could parents say goodbye to children **at the gate** or, if necessary, just inside the EYFS playground (rather than walking them into their classroom).

Our teaching day begins at 9am and it can be difficult for teachers to start the teaching and learning with parents still in the room as it impacts on the other children in the cohort, who are being encouraged to develop positive attitudes for learning such as independence, resilience and self-regulation.

**NB: If your child attends Breakfast Club they need to arrive by 8.15am in order to be served food in the EYFS Breakfast Club.**

### Parent Open Afternoon

At the end of this half term on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October**.

### This Week in the EYFS

Thank you to all those parents who attended our **'Meet the Teacher'** sessions at the beginning of this week. We hope it helped to inform you about the teaching and learning that is happening during the time your child spends with us at school.



In Sun Class we have been reading **'1,2,3 Do the Dinosaur'** by Michelle Robinson & Rosalind Beardshaw and copying the movements ourselves. Our word of the week has been **'together'** as we have been joining in with all the actions. We have also been reciting some poems from **'Stomp, Chomp, Big Roars - Here Come the Dinosaurs'** by Kaye Umansky and giving our opinion on our favourite poem from the selection. We have learned how to use stencils to draw our favourite dinosaurs and have used dinosaur cutters in the playdough. In mathematics we have explored how to use **tallying** and **pictographs** to record our favourite dinosaurs.

This week Reception classes have been learning about **Autumn** ahead of their trip to Victoria Park on Monday. In the Tower Hamlets Phonics Programme the children have begun learning the letter-sound correspondence for each of the letters of the alphabet in turn. This will involve reading and writing. This week they have focused on the letters **i, n** and **m**. They will be focusing on the lower case form of each letter so you may see your child practising the formation at home. Please help your child to practise writing their name using an initial capital letter followed by lower case letters. In mathematics they have been finding rules to sort objects by size, colour or shape. They have also been exploring primary colours and thought about how they made us feel in art.

### New!! Parents Walking Group

Join our School Games Organiser Abdal for light walks around the local area. Get your week off to an active and energising start! Meet other parents, build a strong school community, and get fit and active so our children can also follow.

**Starts Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September**

and continues

Every Monday until 20<sup>th</sup> October.

**Meet at 9am in the library - Return to school by 10.15am.**

*In the last session you will have the opportunity to bring along your child/children to join us for the walk.*

### 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**