



Learning Together for a Better Future



### Events & Celebrations

On **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November** we have a **Drama4All Workshop** in school with a Space Theme for all our children to enjoy.



On **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December** EYFS will have a visit from the **Hobgoblin Theatre Company** who are going to do a performance and drama workshop of 'Jack & The Beanstalk'.



Our **Christmas Dinner** and **Christmas Party** day will be on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**.



### This Week in the EYFS!

This week is **anti-bullying week** and so we began the week in odd socks to emphasise our individuality and differences and how we can see this as positive and a strength of our school. We also talked about how we can be kind and kinder in how we behave towards each other, our families and other living things.

**Nursery** now have a weekly focus letter/sound in phonics and this week it has been **Tt** for Tracy, Teddy and tea. We are thinking about things that begin with that letter/sound and are clapping the syllables in each word. We learned about the history of the Teddy Bear and read stories and learnt some rhymes and songs about Teddy Bears. We prepared for our **Teddy Bears Picnic** on Friday by writing **invitations** to our own teddy or bed time snuggly and writing a list of what we need to do to prepare for our picnic.



### Round and Round the Garden



**Reception** have been reading the story 'This is the Bear and the Picnic Lunch' by Sarah Hayes. They have painted teddy bears and drawn pictures of the Teddy Bears Picnic of their dreams! They have continued their phonics programme focusing on the letter/sounds **f** and including **ff**. In mathematics they have been consolidating their knowledge and understanding of number and numerical patterns.

Throughout the unit we have been busy preparing for our **Teddy Bears Picnic for Children in Need** on Friday. We made honey biscuits and marmalade sandwiches. We enjoyed 'Marvellous things to eat and wonderful games to play!' with our Teddy or Snuggly. We hope they enjoyed it!

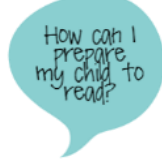
This week children have been designing a greetings card for **Christmas, Eid or birthdays**. These will be sent off to a company who will scan them in and send an order form, which we will put in the book bags. You can then order copies of your child's card if you would like to, with a small fee being paid to the PTA for each pack ordered.

### 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.



### 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.

### Parent Partnership

We have two designated email addresses for queries:

[Nurseryteachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:Nurseryteachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk)

[Receptionteachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:Receptionteachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk)

Some parents have asked if there will be an EYFS Christmas Production this year. Due to the current situation with Covid-19 we will not be able to invite parents into the building but we are working on creative alternatives! Information to follow.

### Christmas Holiday

The end of this term will be **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** at 2pm. We will return to school on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January!**

If you have a child in Nursery and you wish to apply for a place in our Reception, the application phase for Reception 2022 remains open until the deadline date of **19 January 2022**. Parents need to submit their application online on [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)

Tower Hamlets are holding virtual information sessions for parents about Reception and Nursery admissions. Reception sessions:

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov – 1 pm  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec – 10am  
Link to sessions: <https://thpt2021.eventbrite.co.uk>