



Learning Together for a Better Future



Events & Celebrations

In the next month **Nursery** plan to make our second trip to **Victoria Park** to look at the local environment in **Winter** – we are waiting in hope of snow!



On the **28th January** Reception Classes are going to the **Half Moon Theatre** in Stepney to see a performance of **'Butterflies'**.

On the **3rd February** Reception Classes are planning to travel on a number 8 bus into the centre of London to visit Chinatown to support our learning about China and Chinese New Year Celebrations.



We will all be celebrating **Chinese New Year** in the EYFS on **Friday 4th February**.

Important Information for Parents of Nursery Children

If you have a child in **Nursery** and you wish to apply for a place in **Reception at Chisenhale**, the application phase for Reception 2022 remains open until **19th January 2022**. Parents need to submit their application online on www.eadmissions.org.uk

Parent Partnership

We have two designated email addresses Nurseryteachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk Receptionteachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk However, please do not use these to report your child absent, or for urgent queries as they are usually only checked once a day.

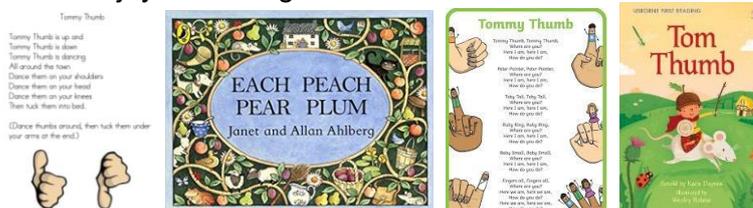
Half Term Holiday

The end of this half term will be **Friday 11th February**. We will return to school on **Monday 21st February**.

This Week in the EYFS.

This week we welcomed **George and Frida** who joined Sun Class.

In Nursery this half term our topic is **Traditional Rhymes and Tales**. We read the book **'Each Peach Pear Plum'** and enjoyed playing **'I Spy'** to spot and identify all the characters in that text. We learned about dipping and nursery rhymes which feature **Tom Thumb** and some of the other characters in the story. We also enjoyed hearing the traditional tale of Tom Thumb.



Reception Classes have been learning about the **Antarctic** and the creatures who live there. They have been reading the story **'Blue Penguin'** and have learned about different types of penguin, they have also been writing information about penguins in sentences and have painted penguin portraits. They are continuing to develop their knowledge of letters and sounds in phonics (letters **j & v** this week) and are using and applying what they have learnt in 1:1 reading and shared and guided writing groups as well as in self-initiated opportunities in the setting.



In mathematics, Reception have been learning strategies for combining two sets of different sizes and finding the totals altogether.

Clothing, Water Bottles & Lost Property

We sent all changing bags home at the end of last term

Please ensure that your child returns to school a **spare set of clothes** (underwear, a top, leggings or jogging bottoms) in their changing bag in case they get wet or dirty. This should include spare **socks** and **shoes**.

All personal property should be labelled clearly with your child's name and class!

Children also need to continue to bring a **water bottle** into school every day. Please make sure it is named.

It will help us to help your child to learn to look after their property.