



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 will all be celebrating **Chinese New Year** in the EYFS on **Friday 9th February**.



Please let us know if you or other family members celebrate Lunar New Year, and if so, if you would be willing or able to support us in our celebrations on Friday 9th February. We are planning some activities on the morning of that day.

Parent Partnership

If you have any safeguarding concerns about a child please email: safeguarding@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk

Nursery Applications for next year need to be submitted by Friday 16th February.

Parents Open Afternoon

Friday 9th February from 2-3pm.

Come and see what we can do!

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

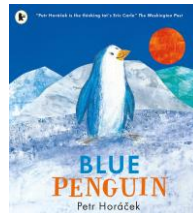
Half Term

School will close on **Friday 9th February** and reopen on **Monday 19th February**.

This Week in the EYFS

In Nursery our Word of the Week has been **Tradition** as our topic this half term is **Traditional Rhymes** and stories. We have begun by revisiting some familiar **Nursery Rhymes** and have been practising **reciting** them out loud in our classrooms, **sequencing** the lines and identifying which words **rhyme**. Children printed and labelled fingerprints for **'Tommy Thumb'** and made **'Two Little Birdy'** puppets. We also revisited **Ss** in our **'Letters & Sounds'** phonics work. In **'Think Equal'** we have been reflecting on how to grow our **'Kindness Garden'**. We have also welcomed one new child into nursery this week.

Reception classes have enjoyed a very appropriate subject in their literacy and topic work. They have been studying **Antarctica** and learning about **penguins**. They read **'Blue Penguin'** by Petr Horacek, and have been reading a range of non-fiction texts to research information about penguins. Their Word of the Week has been **wander**, which is a word from their literacy text. In phonics, they have covered the vowel digraphs **ai** and **ee** in the Tower Hamlets Phonics Programme. In mathematics they have been revising subitising numbers 0-5 and counting on and back.



Books & Book Bags

Please ensure that book bags are in school every day.

If your child is in Reception (Kingfishers & Kestrels) this is particularly important as we are unable to issue reading books unless they can be transported safely. We also request that you support your child to ensure the books are looked after and returned promptly.

If you have lost a book we request a payment of £5 to allow us to replace it before we will issue another.

Clothing, Water Bottles & Lost Property

As the weather has turned a lot colder it is important that children are brought to school in appropriate clothing for the season. This should include a warm coat and footwear. If children bring gloves and hats to school please advise them to put them in their pockets or sleeves and/or label them. In the Early Years children always have access to the outdoor environment of our garden, unless the weather or ground conditions are dangerous.

Children should continue to bring a **water bottle** into school every day.

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!