# **EYFS Newsletter**

# Spring 2 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## Events & celebrations

Our very special visitors have arrived - three delightful ducklings have hatched from eggs in the incubator. They will be with us until next weekend.

Next week Sun Nursery classes are going to visit the Soanes Centre in Tower Hamlets Cemetery Park when we will be 'Environment Explorers'. As we are such a large class we will be going in two groups on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March. We would welcome parent volunteers to accompany us. Please let the EYFS team know if you are willing and able to join us.

On the last day of this term (Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March) we will be holding an Easter Parade. We are inviting our children to wear Easter Bonnets.

Early Years are planning to have their own procession in our garden. Parents are welcome to stay at drop-off (9am) and we will bring the children out as soon as we have registered them. You will then be able to go through the gate into the main playground to watch the older children (Year 1-6).

#### Parent Partnership

Thanks to all the parents who have volunteered to accompany us on our class trips this half term.



Ramadan Mubarak to all our families who are observing the Holy Month.

Holidays and school closure School will close for Easter on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm and will reopen on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April. School will also be closed on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May for local elections.





# This week in the EYFS



We have been marking **British Science Week** throughout our school. In **Nursery** Our 'Word of the Week' has been '**science**'. We learned about the range of living things which are **oviparous**. We also looked at the difference between the eggs we eat and eggs that will hatch. We visited Victoria Park and looked for signs of Spring, which included nesting waterfowl and goslings. We experimented with eggs made of different materials (including real eggs) to predict and test which would

float and which would sink. We also did some other exciting <u>Eggsperiments</u>! We have added **Oo** to the letters that we can name and sound in our phonic knowledge.



On Tuesday **Reception** classes enjoyed a spectacular Science Week Rocket Show. The staff and children would like to say a big thank you to the PTA and everyone who has helped raise funds, for paying for the Rocket workshops. Reception have also been looking at the ways in which living things change over time. They have planted beans and have been making regular observations of the ducklings. Their word of the week has been **hatch**. In phonics, they have continued Phase 3 of the Tower Hamlets Phonics Programme and have been learning the **er** word ending in words like **ladder**. In **mathematics** the children have been extending their knowledge of number bonds for 10.

On Friday, we celebrated Comic Relief Day in the EYFS.

## Could you help with the EYFS playground project?

We have received some excellent ideas for designs for our playground walls from children across the school.

We are planning to get started on this project over the weekend of the **23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> March** (weather dependent). We would be grateful to have some parent volunteers to do some painting. We have already had some offers of help but 'many hands make light work!'...If you feel you might be willing and able to help us with this project (no artistic talent required!) please email Ruth on rcrossan.211@lgflmail.org.

#### 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!