



### Events & celebrations



On the last day of this term – next **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 short **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 watch the older children (Year 1-6) who are going to parade around the block.

#### **A date for your Diaries!**

As you may be aware, our EYFS garden area is being refurbished over the Easter Holiday.

We would like to invite EYFS parents to a **Celebration Cream Tea** on **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April** at **2.30pm**. This will include an opportunity to view the garden, and also to meet with members of the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) of Chisenhale School who have supported and funded this project.

### 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.**

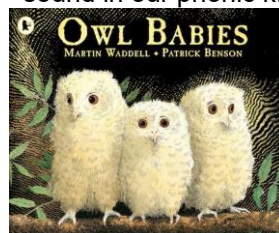
### Holidays and school closure

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

In Nursery our 'Word of the Week' has been 'environment' as we prepared to become 'Environment Explorers' at the Soanes Centre on **Wednesday** and **Thursday**.

We learned how to identify some of the living things that we might encounter in the environment of Tower Hamlets Cemetery Park. On our trip we were able to see daffodils, bluebells, crocuses, and wild garlic as well discovering some of the tiny creatures that live in the pond as we did some pond dipping too! On Friday we wrote a recount of our trip. We have added **Cc** to the letters that we can name and sound in our phonic knowledge.



Reception have continued looking at the ways in which living things change over time. Their beans have begun sprouting and they have been making regular observations of the ducklings, who have grown and grown. On Thursday we watched them take their first swimming lesson in a pool. They are due to return to the farm tomorrow.

Reception have been reading 'Owl Babies' Their word of the week has been **hatch**. In phonics, they are coming to the end of Phase 3 of the Tower Hamlets Phonics Programme and have been learning to read and write two syllable words such as **ticket** and **padlock**. In **mathematics** the children have been learning about **3d shapes**. **Thanks to all the Nursery parents who have already returned the Talking Time consent slips. It would be great to have the remainder returned on Monday morning.**

### Could you help with the EYFS playground project?

We are planning to work on this project over the weekend of the **23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> March** – this weekend!

Members of the PTA have already made a start on preparing the walls for our new murals 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@lgfmail.org](mailto:rcrossan.211@lgfmail.org) or just turn up between 10-4 either day and call through the Early Years gate for someone to let you in.

### 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!**