



**Celebrations & Events**

We are going to have some very special visitors in the EYFS!!! They will be arriving next **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March!**



Next **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March** we will be supporting **Comic Relief** by celebrating 'Red Nose Day'! Dress in **red** and donate **£1** to charity if you would like to.



We will be celebrating **Eid** on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** with activities across the EYFS. Children are welcome to wear party clothes on this day.

There will be an **Easter Bonnet Parade** on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March** which will take a similar form to our World Book Day Parade this week.

**Easter Bonnet Parade**



**Eid & Easter**

School will be closed for **Eid** on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** and for **Easter** from **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April.**

**This Week in the EYFS**

This week children in the EYFS have been participating in **Science Week.**

In **Nursery** our word of the week has been **science** as we have been thinking about the meaning of the word. We have continued our learning about **minibeasts** with a **minibeast hunt** in the school garden where we were able to observe many of the creatures we have been learning about in their natural **habitat**. We have sorted and classified them by their key characteristics (number of legs, wings etc) and learned that there are different classes of minibeasts which have different **habitats**. We continued learning about rhyme and rhyming strings, which has been our phonics focus for this half term, as we read "**Down the Back of the Chair**". We have added **Oo** to the letters that we can name and sound in our phonic knowledge.



In science week **Reception** classes have been doing lots of watery experiments; colour changing tissue, testing for waterproof materials, building pasta and playdough bridges, investigating cornflour gloop, milk, food dye and washing up liquid, and monitoring puddles to investigate the water cycle. On Friday they made their own waterproof bags and tested them. In phonics this week they have been learning the digraphs '**or**' and '**ur**', and the tricky words **you**, **all** and **was**. In mathematics they have been counting forward and back from **10** and exploring the composition of **10**.

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 18<sup>th</sup> (pm)** & **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March (am)**.

We would welcome parent volunteers to accompany us.

**Please let the EYFS team know if you are willing and able to join**

**NB: It is possible that our trip on Thursday will coincide with Eid. We are therefore hoping to take our six children who may be celebrating on the Wednesday afternoon (even if they usually have a part time place and attend in the morning or afternoon only).**

**PTA Eid celebration**

There will be an Eid celebration on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March** from 3.30 in the main playground with arts and crafts, stories, games and lots of delicious food to enjoy there or take home for later. As ever we need people to make hot food, bake cakes or help with set up and take-down of the stalls or just lend a hand during the event. If you can help please contact your class rep or the PTA on the what's app group or see Ruth in school. **If it is raining the event will be in the library and neighbouring classrooms.**

