

EYFS Newsletter

Summer 1
22nd April 2022

Chisenhale Primary School



Learning Together for a Better Future



Events & Celebrations

Both Reception classes will be taking part in a 'Music & Mindfulness' workshop on **Tuesday 26th April**.

We will be celebrating **Eid** in the EYFS on **Friday 6th May**.



This half term all our classes will be visiting **Discover Children's Story Centre** at Stratford for their '**100 Storey Hotel**' immersive experience and story-building workshop. **Sun Nursery** will be going there on the morning of **Tuesday 10th May**, **Moon & Star Classes** on the morning of **Thursday 12th May**.

We have requested parental contributions of **£5** per child to cover the cost of this trip.

If you are a parent who would like to volunteer to accompany your child's class on this trip please speak to a member of staff or email us on the Nursery Teachers or Reception Teachers email addresses (see below).

Clothing, Water Bottles & Lost Property

Please ensure your child's changing bag is replenished and returned to school promptly. Your child needs 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, and if the weather is warm, they may also need a (named) sun hat and sunscreen applied before they arrive at school.

School Closure & Holiday Dates

In the week commencing 2nd May (week 3 of this half term) our school will **only be open** on Friday 6th May.

Monday 2nd May: Bank Holiday

Tuesday 3rd May: Eid Day

Wednesday 4th May: Additional Bank Holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Thursday 5th May: Polling Day

Friday 6th May: School Open

The end of this half term will be on

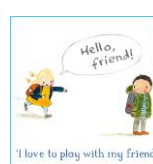
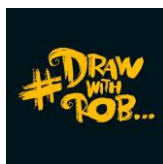
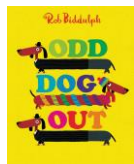
Friday 27th May.

We will return to school on

Monday 6th June.

This Week in the EYFS

This week we welcomed **Eesa** to Sun Class, where we have been sharing the story '**Odd Dog Out**' by the author and illustrator **Rob Biddulph**. We have watched him demonstrate how to '**Draw with Rob**' and have learned how to create our own sausage dog characters. In this story the main character learns to accept that she is different and unique. Our **Think Equal** curriculum has also looked at difference and diversity. We continued our phonics learning, and have now added **b** for **boot** to the letters and sounds that we know. On Friday we marked **Earth Day** with learning activities which focused on our planet, and what we can do to help protect it for the future.



In Reception, the children have been reading '**Hello Friend**' by **Rebecca Cobb**, which has supported topic work and discussions about friendship as the children have been building a '**Castle of Friendship**'. In mathematics they have been introduced to the early '**teens**' numbers as they have explored **place value** to record numbers beyond 10. Their literacy learning is now focused on practising using and applying their phonic knowledge to read and write appropriate texts with increasing levels of independence.

Book Bags & Reading

Your child needs to bring their book bag into school **every day**. Please check their book bag for important letters or information. We will be inviting your child to choose a book to take home and share with you every **Friday**.

Children in Reception are also issued with a **Bug Club login**. This is an **online reading resource** where class teachers allocate texts. Parents should log on **weekly** for children to practise reading an appropriate level of text using their developing phonic knowledge. When children are given this opportunity to read to and with parents at home it makes a real difference to their fluency and has a positive impact on their progress and attainment in reading.

Parent Partnership

We have two designated email addresses:

Nurseryteachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk

Receptionteachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk

NB: Parents of children currently in Sun Nursery who have been offered a place at Chisenhale for Reception in September must confirm that they accept that place on the admissions portal and inform us by email by next Friday, 29th April.

Please also note a rise in price for school meals for Nursery children. From the beginning of this term the cost of a daily meal rises from £2.30 to £2.35 from the beginning of the summer term. Meals should be paid for in advance through parentpay or by card at the office.