

EYFS Newsletter

Summer 1
29th April 2022

Chisenhale Primary School



Learning Together for a Better Future



Events & Celebrations



We will be celebrating **Eid** in the EYFS next **Friday 6th May**. As part of our celebrations we would like to offer children the opportunity to have a henna design on their hands. We will check that we have parental permission first.

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 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

Next week 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

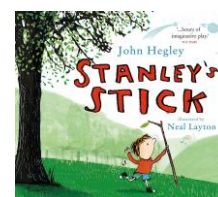
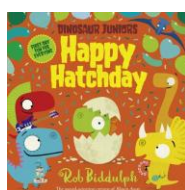
Friday 6th May: School Open

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 in Nursery we have been sharing the story **'Happy Hatchday'** by the author and illustrator **Rob Biddulph**. We have also learned how to draw our own dinosaur characters. In this story the dinosaurs plan a surprise party for the main character, so we planned our own surprise party on Friday for our new classmate, Eesa. In mathematics we counted (dinosaur) eggs and party balloons and tried writing numerals. We continued our phonics learning, and have now added **I** for **leg** to the letters and sounds that we know.



Our Reception classes really enjoyed participating in the **'Music & Mindfulness'** workshop on Tuesday. They were particularly enthralled by the instruments (clarinet, accordion, violin and Tibetan singing bowl) which the musicians had brought along and played during the session. In literacy, the children have been reading **'Stanley's Stick'** by **John Hegley**. In response they wrote their own stick poem after having the opportunity to explore different ways to use sticks imaginatively in their play. In mathematics they have been developing their knowledge of **'teens'** numbers (13, 14 & 15).

Eid Mubarak to all our families who will be celebrating next week!

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 the end of the day TODAY.

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. Meals should be paid for in advance through parentpay or by card at the office.