

Chisenhale Chatter

Chisenhale Primary School Bow



Learning Together for a Better Future

4/10/19

We have had a week of teachers watching each other as part of our peer reviews. This is how we as teachers work together, watching each other's practice, seeing what we can learn from each other and advising one another on how to improve. Year 5 had two trips to Southwark Cathedral and St Dunstan's Ruins as part of their learning both in RE and in English. Year 6 cut up sheep's hearts as part of their biology learning to better understand the way bodies work, and I visited Year 1 to see their posters about Accra, the capital of Ghana. Also have a look at our art installation in the playground – they are the wooden sculptures made by LKS2 during Art Week representing our right to food, clothing and a safe place to live.

Safety

The playground one-way system at the end of the day is to keep children **safe**. There is no barrier to prevent children running out onto the road at the Zealand Road gate, which is why we ask parents NOT to exit at that gate. Therefore it makes it easier to enter via this gate and exit where it is safer, on Chisenhale Road, creating a flow and reducing the blockages. Please be polite to staff who are trying to enforce this. Please be aware that dogs are not allowed in the playground, and as before, keep them away from the gates as much as possible. We understand that many people love dogs, but they can be unreliable around children and some people are simply scared and unhappy around them. I want the school to be comfortable for everyone.

Also, I have had an increasing number of parents asking if older children can take home their younger brothers and sisters. Recently, two children who walk home alone were approached on the street and asked questions about where their parents were by a man they did not know. Please talk to your children about stranger danger, and note that we would always advise an adult collects children from school. Have a great weekend.

Sharon Taylor-Sezgin, Headteacher

Parents meetings next week

If you have an appointment for a parent meeting after school next week please make sure you collect your child/ren from the playground first. All of your children must stay with you while they are in school and you are responsible for supervising them. They cannot play in the main playground, which will be used by Nightowls, or on the roof, which will be used by after-school clubs. This is to try to ensure your children's safety as staff will be busy in meetings and are not able to supervise children around school.

Night-time run to raise money for the school

Dylan and Lois from Y3 are taking part in the night-time 5k Supernova run at the Olympic Park on October 18th to raise money for Chisenhale School. Any funds raised will be distributed by the PTA to pay for school trips, equipment, resources and other school essentials. If any other pupils want to join the run, please have a look at www.supernovarun.com. If anyone would like to sponsor Dylan and Lois and support the school, please find the details here www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/kirsty-coombs. Many thanks to Dylan and Lois and their supporters!

LKS2 will be making volcanoes in their art sessions soon – please bring in any spare cardboard boxes.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 8th October, 9am in the library, Introduction to the Schools Counselling Partnership and a chance to find out more about the counselling service and drop in sessions and upcoming parenting groups.

Tuesday 8th (3.30-7) and Thursday 10th (3.30-5) parents' meetings for Reception- Yr 6

Wednesday 9th (9-3.30) Nursey parents' meetings

Friday 11th October, 9am in the library, workshop for Yrs 3 & 4 parents: times tables.

Monday 14th October, Individual school photos will be taken (no family portraits at this time).

Monday 14th October, 3pm top hall, Harvest assembly with Father Brian and the new Bishop of Stepney – parents are welcome to attend. Please leave any donations at the school office.

The EYFS show will be on **Tuesday 17th December**.

Please also check here for new events.