

Chisenhale Chatter

Chisenhale Primary School Bow



Learning Together for a Better Future

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We are closely monitoring the advice regarding the Coronavirus. As you will appreciate this is an unprecedented situation. Currently there is no advice saying we should not go ahead with trips (as we don't go abroad), but to keep washing hands as much as we can. Anyone showing symptoms should self-isolate for seven days, and this could result in staff shortages, which will mean we have to make decisions about closing the school, however we are not at that stage yet. We will send out information via email, the school app and on our website, so please make sure you have downloaded that, and that we have all of your up-to-date contact details. We are making contingency plans for if we do have to close the school so that the children will have some continuation of learning, however this is likely to be limited and dependent on the degree to which they can access online content. **Sharon Taylor-Sezgin**

PTA Annual General Meeting

The PTA's annual general meeting will be on **Friday 1st May at 9am in the library** this year. Please come along to help vote in new officers and find out how all the money raised at events and through donations is used by the school.

We will be looking for a new chair or a couple of co-chairs, and a communications officer this year, and we would also like to recruit new volunteers to our design and food teams. Plus we always need lots of volunteers for events. If you are interested in taking a more active role in the PTA please see Ruth, Alanna or Nisha for an informal chat to find out more about what's involved.

Science week highlights

The children have had a very exciting week being scientists. Here is a taste of what has been happening:

Nursery have been doing a range of sensory science experiments! They found strange combinations of powders and liquids that created very exciting effects.

In Reception, children have been becoming biologists by investigating all about chameleons! We learned about all the fascinating adaptations that make them so unique. We read *The Mixed Up Chameleon* by Eric Carl and went on to create and label our own amazing creatures.

KS1 has been thoroughly inspired by visits from real life scientists this week. We talked about their jobs and what skills they needed. The children used these skills to carry out amazing experiments and ask thousands of questions! We made rockets, lava lamps and slimy cornstarch! We went on big hunts and looked at habitats. We had so much fun.

LKS2 enjoyed science week by learning about the different properties of solids, liquids and gases while making multi-coloured candles!

UKS2 have had a fun-filled science week! We had a firework workshop - looking at what chemicals make fireworks change colours. We made our own cars powered by balloons, saw the chemical reaction made when food colouring, milk and washing up liquid are mixed together and used 2-litre bottles to make our own bottle rockets - some flew higher than the school!

Upcoming events

Parents' evenings for Reception-Year 6:

Tuesday 17th March, 3.40-7pm

Thursday 19th March, 3.40-5pm

Class assemblies all at 9am in the top hall, parents most welcome

Thursday 19th March, Lavender Class

Thursday 26th March, Thyme Class

Thursday 2nd April, Basil Class

Friday 3rd April – 9am, Easter bonnet and carnival parade followed by Family Day until 11am.

Advance dates for your diary

Friday 1st May, 9am in the library, **PTA annual general meeting**, please come along to vote in new officers and find out more about how the funds raised are used in school.

Friday 15th May, from 7.15pm, Chisenhale's **pop-up restaurant and art auction**.

Saturday 20th June, from 11am-2pm **Summer Fete**