

Chisenhale Chatter

Chisenhale Primary School Bow



Learning Together for a Better Future

15/3/19

We started the week talking about raising money for charity and we ended it with our fantastic Dance-a-thon and some pretty full looking buckets. Great moves were being 'busted' and we will let you know our total next week.

On Thursday Thyme Class put on a tremendous Groovy Greeks assembly telling the story of The Golden Fleece. There was stunning acting, fantastic story-telling and brilliant humour. And when they sang Fight Song a cappella I had goose bumps - well done Thyme Class team.

Basil and Lavender classes set off to explore Greek artefacts at the British Museum where they had workshops and used Ipads to see artefacts come to life and complete quizzes. Year 5 were also on their travels to St Pauls Cathedral where they sang as part of their project for which they have been rehearsing over the last few weeks.

I am attaching some advice from the National Online Safety website. It is coming to our attention that children are playing games and going on apps such as Roblox and TikTok that are not recommended for their age as they are not safe. Also, sometimes this is leading to arguments and issues in school too. Additionally, there have been children mentioning the Momo Challenge, which has recently been in the news. There is lots of other useful information here <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/> and we will be holding another parent workshop soon.

Our thoughts are with the families and communities in New Zealand following the terrible news of the shocking terrorist attacks today.

Sharon Taylor-Sezgin, Headteacher

School meals

We change our menu twice a year and the menu change is due in April. We have been given the choice of a menu with desserts and a menu which has a choice of fresh fruit, cheese and crackers or fruit yoghurt only. The Governors considered this and in line with our healthy school policy and commitment to doing our best to encourage good habits around food, we are opting for the fruit, yoghurt and cheese option daily. We also will be moving the nursery children from eating in the hall to downstairs in the Early Years Unit. This has been made possible because we were successful in bidding for some 'sugar tax' funding to buy some new lunch tables. The children will have a family setting where they will be able to learn social skills, be better encouraged to try new foods and eat well, and will be more comfortable at tables appropriate for their size.

Volunteer artist required for art week

We are planning an amazing art week in school from 1st -5th July and would like all the children to have the experience of working with an artist to create some memorable experiences. Unfortunately our budget is very tight and we really need one more artist who would be able to volunteer their time to work with a class, ideally for two days that week. We are looking for a photographer, film-maker, fine artist, designer etc – whatever your skills or interests we would be able to use your talents! If you think you might be able to help please contact Ruth on rcrossan.211@lgfmail.org as soon as possible.

We have decided to hold a 'Family Day' at the end of every term, in which family members have a chance to come in to school and share their child's learning with them. These will replace our previous bring your mum/dad to school days. This term's family day will be held on the last day of term, 5th April. The plan for the day is:
9-9.30 Easter Bonnet Parade (in playground, weather permitting)
9.40-11 - parents and carers can go to their child's classroom and take part in activities linked to that term's learning
11-11.30 - coffee in the outdoor classroom (again, weather permitting) and a chance to chat to other parents.

Parent workshops, all at 9am in the library

Friday 22nd March – Times tables for Yrs1-4 parents

Friday 29th March – Year 6 SATs (Year 6 parents)

Friday 5th April – PTA meeting – all welcome

LKS2 class assemblies, all at 9am in the top hall, parents welcome

Thursday 21st March, Lavender class

Thursday 28th March, Basil class

Friday 5th April, Family day: 9-11.30am, see details above.