

## Spring Term Newsletter

February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a very busy half term with the children enjoying cooking Chinese food, ribbon dancing and learning about the Year of the Rabbit. The Lion Dance and Chinese stir fry were excellent. Thank you to all of the parents who visited the Ice-Skating Rink in Canary Wharf.

**We have many exciting activities planned for this half term.**

### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February - Shrove Tuesday

This is the start of Lent and getting ready for Easter. The children will be making pancakes.



### Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February - Ice Skating in Canary Wharf

This is for children who are 4 years old. Please see details on the individual letter.

### Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March - St David's Day

We will be celebrating St David's Day by making flags and food from Wales.

### Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 9:30 - Keeping Children Safe On Line

Please sign up to find out about ways to keep you child safe online. Further details available on the door.

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day

We are celebrating world book day by encouraging families to share bed time stories. We are asking the children to come dressed as their favourite character from a story. Parents are welcome from 9:15 to 10 am to share a story with your child. Every child will receive a £1 token for World Book Day and a free book. The children will enjoy sharing stories on this day with Penguin Books



### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023 - Red Nose Day and St. Patrick's Day

Can you please bring your child dressed in Red (or to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in Green) on 17<sup>th</sup> March. We will be collecting for Comic Relief.

### Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Last Day for Children.

We will be having an Easter Egg Hunt for children. School will close at 12:15 for part time and 1:00pm for full-time children.

### Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March - Parent Conference Day

**Easter Holiday** - School will be closed on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April** - Open day for new children

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April** - All children return to school

### Travel Plan

The children are encouraged to walk, cycle or use a scooter to come to school. We have been working with the children to encourage them to use the scooters and bicycles in the garden. They will also learn how to look after the bikes.

**Stay and Play** - This takes place on Thursday mornings 9:30-11:00

We would like to say thank you for the support that you have shown us. We will continue to work together. Look out on the door for updated information.

**Lynn and all of the team at Columbia Market Nursery School**

### NB: Industrial Action

We have been informed that the Teachers Union are calling for 3 further strike days in March, these are 2<sup>nd</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March. We confirm **school will be closed for the children on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March** and once we get confirmation for the 15<sup>th</sup> And 16<sup>th</sup> March we will inform you.