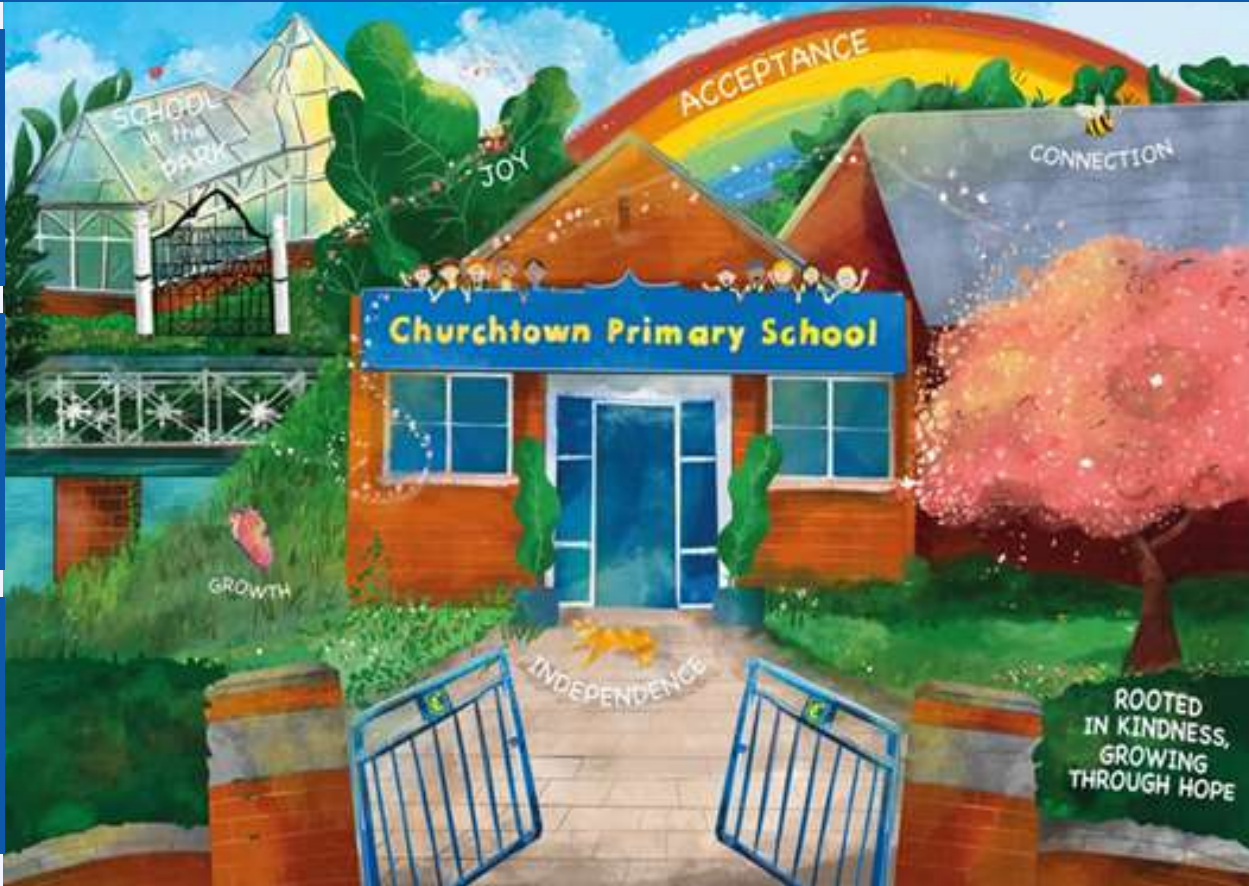


Friday 24th April 2026

# Churchtown Chatter

Newsletter 28



Joy



Acceptance



Connection



Independence



Growth

## A message from the Headteacher:

It's been another busy week at Churchtown. From all of our Year 4 children taking part in rehearsals for the 'Sing for Sefton' event, a football tournament for our girls' team alongside other sporting fixtures and lots of exciting learning taking place - well done all.

As you are aware, all of our Year 6 pupils will be taking part in the Mini Marathon event, with some having completed this on our school field in the sunshine today, whilst others will complete it on Saturday in London. Well done to all of you-we are all so proud of you. I am also running the London Marathon. The training has gone well, but I know I will have to dig deep at various points along the 26.2 miles. Having run the mini marathon on Saturday with some of our Year 6 children, and knowing that Sergio is also running the marathon, I will be spurred on by the feeling that I am part of a strong community, running for such a worthy and important cause. Thank you to so many of you who have already donated. I look forward to completing this challenge and sharing some of the memories with the children back in school.

**Have a great weekend, from Mrs Payne.**

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Churchtown  
Primary School

# Attendance

This week's Attendance Champions  
are:

## Squirrels

for 100% attendance!

The Year Group with the highest  
attendance this week is:

## Year 1

Well done everybody!



## BUTTERCUPS PRE-SCHOOL

PLAY, LEARN, AND GROW TOGETHER

Express your  
Interest here



Scan Me!



AGE 3-4 YEARS

SPACES AVAILABLE FOR SEPTEMBER 2026!

# New School Lunchtime Menu- W/C 27<sup>th</sup> April


We are excited to be rolling out our new lunchtime menu next week (week commencing 27<sup>th</sup> of April).

Our fantastic new menu can be found below, with a wide range of delicious food on offer. These menus rotate each Monday during the half term. You can opt for your child to enjoy school dinners on specific days during the week, depending on what their firm favourites are.

Our new menu has been designed in collaboration with our Junior Leadership Team & School Council, who have worked hard to gather pupils' opinions of their favourite options to enable us to create an exciting, tasty new menu.

School Meals Cost £2.80 per day, payable in advance (£14.00) per week. We are a cashless school so all parents/carers can pay for school meals online via the ARBOR App.

Please contact the school office if you require further support with this (either by calling 01704 508500 or via email [office@churchtown.org.uk](mailto:office@churchtown.org.uk)).

					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	Tomato & Cheese Pasta Bake Broccoli Vegan Pasta Bake Chocolate Cake Fruit	Homemade Chicken Korma with Rice, Green Beans & Naan Bread Vegan Korma, with Rice & Naan Bread Strawberry Mousse Fruit	Butcher's Hotdog Sausage in a Bun with Tortilla Chips & Sweetcorn Vegan Sausage with Tortilla Chips & Sweetcorn Pain aux Raisin Fruit	Roast Turkey with Homemade Roast Potato and Seasonal Vegetables Vegan Quorn Fillet with Homemade Roast Potato and Seasonal Vegetables Shortbread Fruit	Fish or Salmon Fishcake Chips & Peas Vegan Nuggets Fruit-Filled Tart Fruit
Week 2	Mac and Cheese With/Without Ham Sweetcorn Vegetarian Mac and Cheese Carrot Cake Fruit	Pizza With/Without Pepperoni Salad Vegetarian Pizza Yoghurt Fruit	Pulled Pork in a Wrap with Hash Brown Bites, Coleslaw and Salad Vegan Meatballs in a Wrap with Salad Toffee Pots with Crumble Fruit	Beef Stewed Steak Pie in Gravy with Mashed Potato & Seasonal Vegetables Vegetarian Mince Pie, with Mashed Potatoes & seasonal Vegetables School Cake Fruit	Fish, Chips and Peas or Beans Vegan Sausage, Chips and Peas or Beans Chocolate Biscuit Fruit
Week 3	Tagliatelle with Bacon & Tomato Broccoli Vegan Pasta with Ragù Pink & White Marble cake Fruit	Chinese Chicken served in a Wrap with Lettuce & Savoury Rice Chinese Vegan Fillet Brownies Fruit	Lasagne served with Salad and Garlic Bread Vegetarian Lasagne Victoria Sponge Cake Fruit	Sausage, Mashed Potato, Yorkshire Pudding with Peas & Gravy Vegan Sausage Oaty Crunch Biscuit Fruit	Fish, Chips and Peas or Beans Vegan Meatballs, Chips and Peas or Beans Bakewell Tart Fruit

**CHURCHTOWN DELI**

Wraps or Rolls with a selection of fillings:  
 Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise with Salad and Vegetable Sticks

Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings:  
 Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise with Salad and Vegetable Sticks

**AVAILABLE DAILY**

# Churchtown Year 6



## Running for



# Alice's WonderDance



The Year 6 pupils at Churchtown Primary School will be taking part in the TCS Mini London Marathon, where they have the opportunity to run either one mile or 2.6K and cross the iconic London Marathon finish line—an exciting and memorable experience for young people across the UK.

This year's event is particularly meaningful to us, as Alice would have alongside this group of pupils in Year 6. The children are running in support of Alice's WonderDance, helping to continue the spirit of joy, confidence and creativity that meant so much to her.

Funds raised will go towards supporting Alice's WonderDance and enabling more children to experience the benefits and enjoyment of dance.

If you would like to support the team, please see the JustGiving link below.

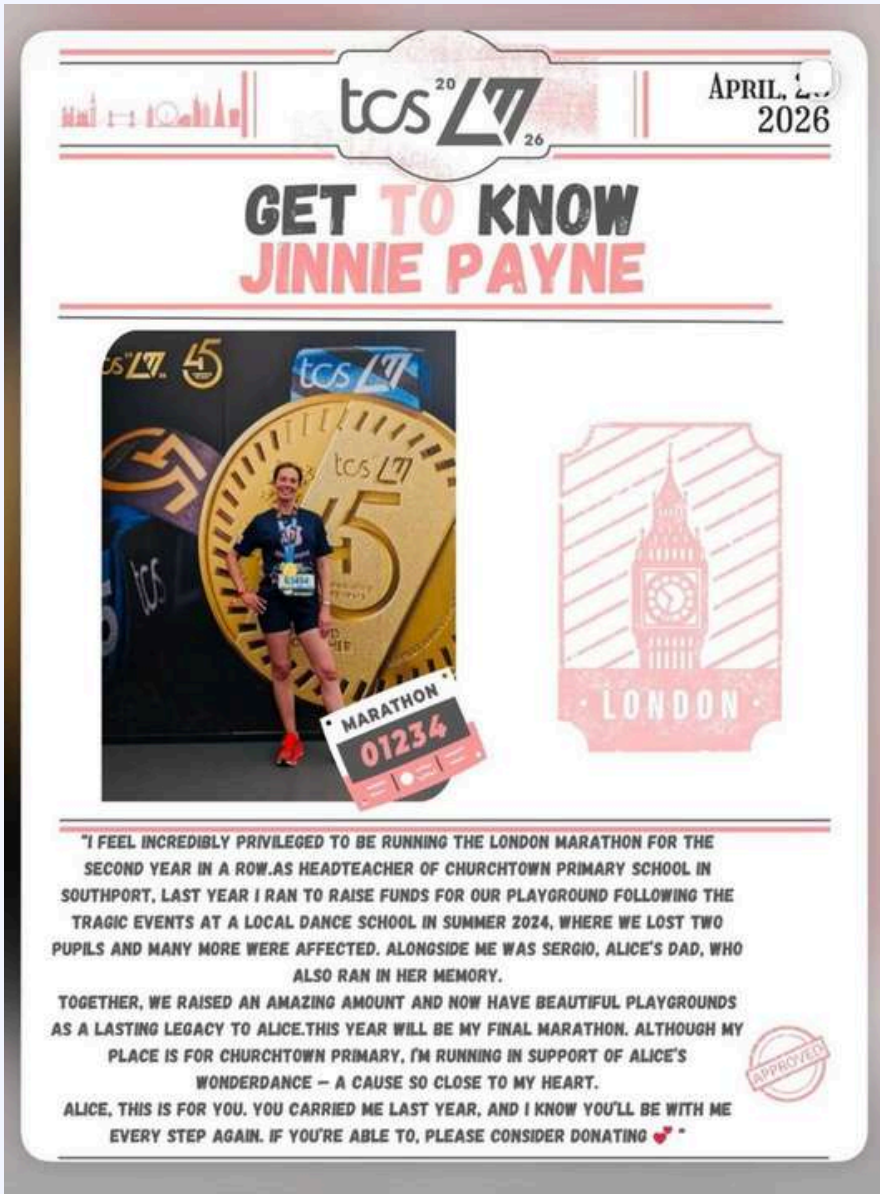
[\*\*Donate Here\*\*](#)

**THIS  
SATURDAY!  
(25<sup>TH</sup>  
APRIL)**



**Fundraising  
total so  
far:  
£1438**

# Mrs Payne Runs the Marathon again!



**Donate**  
**here**

Mrs Payne will be running the London Marathon this Sunday for the second time, an incredible achievement! She is raising funds for Alice's WonderDance, a charity that spreads hope, joy and inclusivity through dance. If you are able to support her, she would be very grateful.

We have also included her bib number below for anyone who would like to follow her progress on the day.

**Bib number: 36568**

# Reception Dress Up Day

We are excited to inform you that on Thursday 14th May, our Reception children will be taking part in a special dress-up day.

The theme for the day is “What I want to be when I grow up.” Children are invited to come to school dressed as a job or role they would like to have in the future. This could be anything from a doctor, teacher, firefighter, artist, or anything else that inspires them.

Costumes can be as simple or creative as you like, and there is no expectation to purchase anything new—homemade outfits or simply a prop, are very welcome.



## Playgroup



We have so much fun in playgroup, we like to build with our friends, make shapes with play dough and create pictures in lots of different ways.

You can join in the fun each Monday morning in the Early Years Hall from 8.45-10.30. All are welcome to join.



**Churchtown Primary School**

**SUMMER SHOWCASE**

*Art Competition*

**WOW US WITH  
YOUR IDEAS!**

**The theme of this years competition is 'Our Values'  
Connection – Joy – Independence – Acceptance – Growth**

You may use any media you like – photography, pen, pencil, paint, collage etc.  
even a combination of them all if you like – so get creative! Maximum size A3

Prizes will be awarded for each year group winner and entries will  
be displayed at the Summer Showcase

**Closing date for entries is Friday the 15th of May 2026**

All entries should be handed to your class teacher.  
Please ensure your artwork has your name, class and year group on the back.

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# ECCO CLUB TOY SALE

Raising money for our wildlife garden!

THURSDAY 21ST MAY 2026  
AFTER SCHOOL ON  
THE PLAYGROUND

To make this happen, we are asking for donations of toys (in good condition) to be brought in by Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
*(please drop the toys at the School office)*

# Well Done Mrs Bowers!



We are so proud of Mrs Bowers taking on the Manchester Marathon to raise money for Alice's WonderDance, her time was 3:42:28- Well done!!

**CHURCHTOWN Butterflies WRAPAROUND CARE**

Join our Butterflies Holiday Club for days filled with fun, creativity, and laughter

Butterflies **MAY HALF TERM** Holiday Club **OPEN** from Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of May to Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> of May  
**\*\*CLOSED BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY (25<sup>th</sup>)\*\***

Butterflies **SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB** **OPEN** from Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> of July to Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> of August

**BUTTERCUPS TO YEAR 6**

**£30 PER DAY**

**OPEN 7.30AM TO 5.30PM**

**PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH**

**SNACKS PROVIDED**

Please book your child's place and make payment via Arbor

The advertisement features a colorful background with a sun, clouds, and various butterflies. In the center, there is an illustration of children playing in a park, with a soccer ball and a girl sitting on the grass. The text is arranged in a clear, easy-to-read format, with key information highlighted in bold and red.

# PE Kit Days

Please see below the updated PE Kit days for Summer Term:

Year 1		
Squirrels	Tuesday	Thursday
Hedgehogs	Tuesday	Thursday
Rabbits	Tuesday	Thursday

Year 2		
Owls	Monday	Tuesday
Robins	Wednesday	Friday
Swans	Monday	Tuesday

Year 3		
Oak	Monday	Tuesday
Fir	Monday	Tuesday
Elm	Monday	Thursday

Year 4		
Birch	Thursday	Friday
Willow	Thursday	Friday
Pine	Monday	Thursday

Year 5		
Alder	Wednesday	Thursday
Juniper	Wednesday	Thursday
Larch	Wednesday	Thursday

Year 6		
Aspen	Monday	Tuesday
Cedar	Monday	Tuesday
Sycamore	Monday	Wednesday
Beech	Monday	Wednesday

# Sefton Sings!



Are you in Year 4, 5 or 6 and love to sing?  
Come and join our fun new singing group!  
It's a great way to learn how to use your voice, feel  
more confident, and make music with new friends.

Tuesdays 4.15pm - 5.00pm  
at Farnborough Road Junior School, Southport

Places are limited and will be offered on a first-come,  
first-served basis. To secure a place, please email  
[music.service@sefton.gov.uk](mailto:music.service@sefton.gov.uk)

# Dates for your Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Y1 Rabbits Class Assembly (2:30)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Y1 Hedgehogs Class Assembly (2:30)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Y1 Squirrels Class Assembly (2:30)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Buttercups Nursery Educational Visit to Martin Mere
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Class Photographs
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Reception Dress Up day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Early Years and KS1 Author Visit- Jude Lennon
19 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2026	Reception Screenings
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	KS2/KS3 SLP Book Club Celebration Event
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	Y6 End of Year Celebration Trip
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Half Term Week
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Year 3 & 4 Lawn Bowls Festival - Southport Lawn Bowls Club
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Childrens University Graduation
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2026	Year 5 & Year 6 Golf Skills Festival
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Wally Cain Dress Rehearsal @ The Atkinson

<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>Sing For Sefton Rehearsal 2 @ Stanley High School (1pm)</b>
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>Y2 Educational Visit to Blackpool Zoo</b>
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>Year 5 Mixed Dynamo Cricket @ Fleetwood Hesketh Cricket Club</b>
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026</b>	<b>Y6 Peformance at The Atkinson</b>
<b>Friday 17th July 2026</b>	<b>End of Term- School closes at 1:30pm for Summer Holidays</b>
<b>Monday 20th July 2026</b>	<b>INSET Day</b>



## Butterflies Holiday Club

Age: Nursery (Buttercups) – Y6

Time: 7.30-5.30 Location: Dining Hall

Entrance/Exit: Butterflies Door  
(previous F4K/8C entrance/exit)

Price: **£30.00**

Food: Snack provided school  
Packed lunch to be provided

CLOSED – Monday 4th May 2026 (Early May Bank Holiday)

CLOSED – Monday 25th May 2026 (Spring Bank Holiday)

Tuesday 26th to Friday 29th May 2026 – Half-Term Holiday

Monday 20th July 2026 – INSET Day

Tuesday 21st July to Friday 28th August 2026 – Summer Holidays

CLOSED – Monday 31st August 2026 (Summer Bank Holiday)

## Nursery Snowdrops (open 51 weeks of the year)- closure dates 2026



CLOSED – Monday 4th May 2026 (Early May Bank Holiday)

CLOSED – Monday 25th May 2026 (Spring Bank Holiday)

CLOSED – Monday 31st August 2026 (Summer Bank Holiday)

# 2026/27 Term Dates

<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026</b>	<b>INSET Day</b>
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026</b>	<b>INSET Day</b>
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2026</b>	<b>Back to school, rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!</b>
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026</b>	<b>INSET Day</b>
<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup>- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2026</b>	<b>Half Term Week</b>
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2026</b>	<b>Back to school, rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!</b>
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2026</b>	<b>End of Term- School closes at 1:30pm for Christmas Holidays</b>
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2027</b>	<b>INSET Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2027</b>	<b>Back to school, rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!</b>
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup>- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2027</b>	<b>Half Term Week</b>
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>End of Term for Easter Holidays</b>
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2027</b>	<b>Easter Holidays</b>
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2027</b>	<b>Back to school, rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!</b>
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2027</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2027</b>	<b>Half Term Week</b>
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2027</b>	<b>End of Term - School closes at 1:30pm for Summer Holidays</b>
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2027</b>	<b>INSET Day</b>