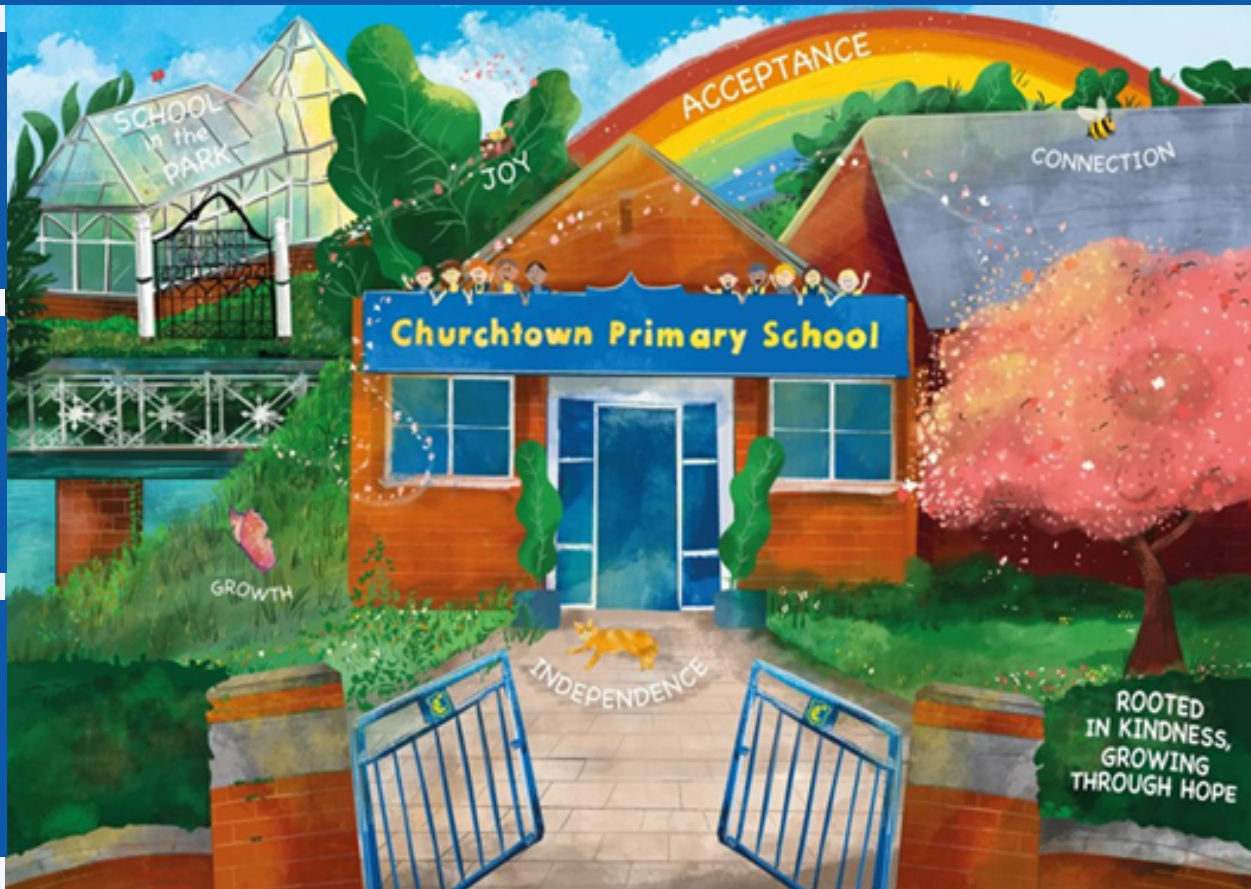


Friday 1st May 2026

# Churchtown Chatter

Newsletter 29



Joy



Acceptance



Connection



Independence



Growth

## A message from the Headteacher:

It has been another fantastic and very busy week at Churchtown. A huge well done to all of our Year 6 children who took part in the Mini Marathon. Some completed their run on the school field in the sunshine, while others experienced the atmosphere of running in London. We are immensely proud of every single one of you for your determination, resilience and positive attitude throughout.

A personal thank you also to everyone who has supported my London Marathon journey so far. The encouragement and generosity from our school community has made a real difference and completing the Mini Marathon alongside some of our Year 6 pupils was incredibly special.

Elsewhere in school, it has been another week filled with great learning and opportunities for our children. From rehearsals and sporting fixtures to exciting classroom work, there has been a real buzz across the school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope you all enjoy a restful and happy Bank Holiday.

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

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Churchtown  
Primary School

# **BANK HOLIDAY** **REMINDER-** **SCHOOL CLOSED**

A reminder that school will be closed on **Monday 4th May** for the Bank Holiday.

We wish all our families a relaxing and enjoyable long weekend. We look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May.



## **Attendance**

This week's Attendance Champions are:

**Larch**

for 100% attendance!

The Year Group with the highest attendance this week is:

**Year 1**

Well done everybody!



# Class Photographs- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

Class photographs for Reception to Year 6 will be taking place on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May  
Please can all children come to school in their full uniform.

If your child has PE on this day, they should bring their PE kit in a bag so they can get changed afterwards.

Thank you for your support.

A colorful promotional banner for Churchtown Butterflies Wraparound Care. The banner features a sun, clouds, and butterflies in the top left. In the center is the logo for Churchtown Butterflies Wraparound Care, which includes a butterfly and the text 'CHURCHTOWN Butterflies WRAPAROUND CARE'. To the right is a yellow sticky note that says '2 weeks left to book!'. Below the logo, there is text about holiday clubs: '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>)\*\*', and 'Butterflies SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB OPEN from Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> of July to Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> of August'. At the bottom, there are illustrations of children playing in a park, a soccer ball, and a banner that says 'OPEN 7.30AM TO 5.30PM'. On the left, there are wooden signs that say 'BUTTERCUPS TO YEAR 6' and '£30 PER DAY'. On the right, there are wooden signs that say 'PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH' and 'SNACKS PROVIDED'. At the very bottom, there is a large black text box that says 'Please book your child's place and make payment via Arbor'.

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**

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# Year 6 Mini Marathon

The Year 6 pupils at Churchtown Primary School took part in the TCS Mini London Marathon, choosing to run either one mile or 2.6K and crossing the iconic London Marathon finish line, an unforgettable experience for everyone involved.

The children ran in support of Alice's WonderDance, continuing the spirit of joy, confidence, and creativity that meant so much to her.

It truly was the most amazing trip. The children were incredible and represented the school so beautifully, we are so proud of every single one of them. The Mini Marathon itself was an unbelievable experience and the trip was filled with special moments, including a river cruise, watching Matilda, an overnight stay, and a visit to Pizza Express before the show.

Thanks to everyone's generosity and support, the current fundraising total stands at an incredible **£3,571**. Donations are still open, so if you would like to support Alice's WonderDance and help more children experience the joy of dance, please see the [JustGiving](#) link below the photos.





[Donate](#)  
[Here](#)



And in Churchtown, the rest of our amazing Year 6's took part in the TCS Mini Marathon 26 in school. The children completed 12 laps of our school running track on the field (equivalent to 2 miles!) The weather was hot and sunny, but that didn't put them off at all. We ended a fun afternoon with an ice-cream and a rest! Well done to everyone.



# Mrs Payne Goes the Extra Mile!

We are also incredibly proud of Mrs Payne, our Head, who was with us throughout the Mini London Marathon, sharing in the excitement and supporting the children every step of the way. In an outstanding achievement, she then went on to complete the full London Marathon the very next day. It was a truly inspiring moment for everyone who was part of the weekend, and we couldn't be more proud of her incredible determination and example. If you would like to support her fundraising efforts, please see the link below.



[Donate here](#)

# Nursery Tours- Come & Explore!



It's the nursery tour you've been waiting for!  
**Churchtown Nursery Open Morning- Come and Explore!**  
We're delighted to invite prospective parents and little ones to our Nursery Open Morning - the perfect chance to see our setting come to life!

Visit our [Snowdrops Room for 2-year-olds](#)

Explore our [Buttercups Room for 3-4-year-olds](#)

Tour our dedicated Early Years building in real time

Meet our wonderful team and current pupils

Discover our excellent outdoor facilities



 **Date: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

 **Time: 9:30am - 10:30am**

We'd love to welcome you, answer your questions, and help you see if our nursery is the right fit for your child



Book your place via the links below:

[Tuesday 19th May](#)



# BUTTERCUPS PRE-SCHOOL

PLAY, LEARN, AND GROW TOGETHER

Express your  
Interest here



Scan Me!



## 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.

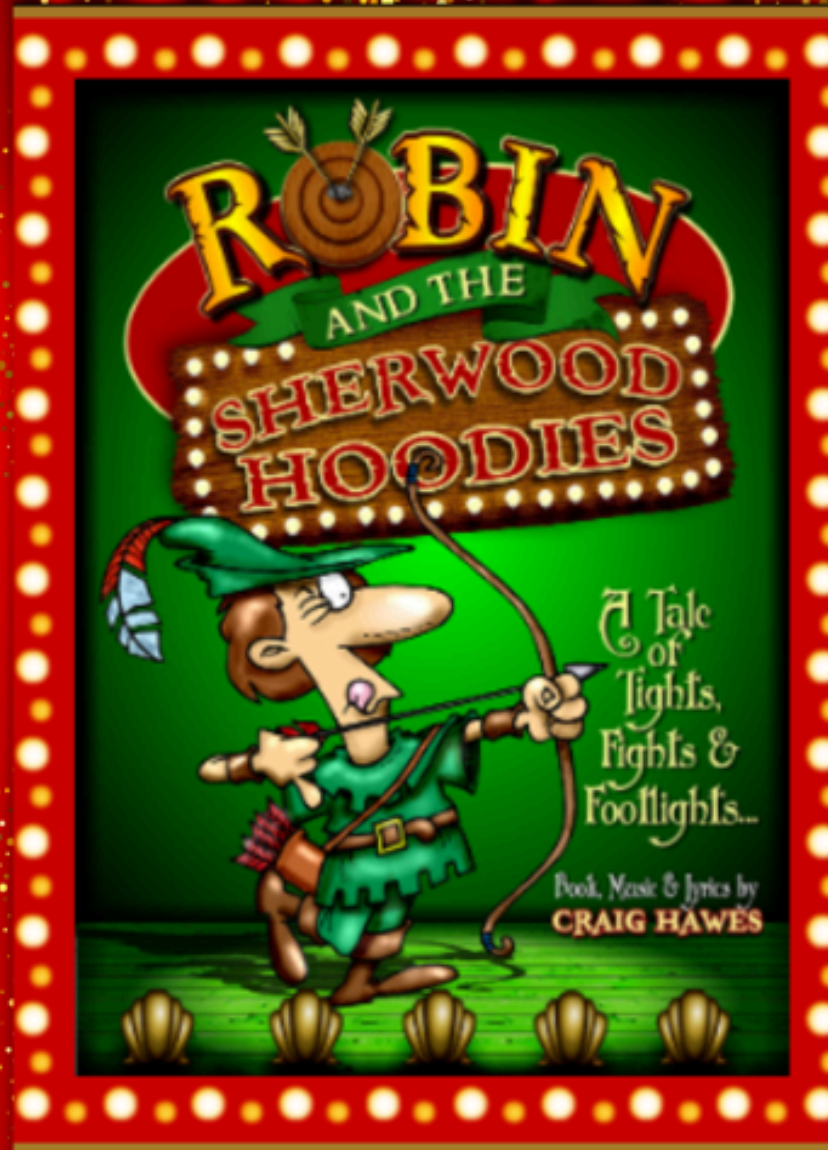
Costumes can be as simple or creative as you like, and there is no expectation to purchase anything new—homemade outfits or simply a prop, are very welcome.



CHURCHTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL:

**YEAR 6**

**PRESENTS**



**Friday the 3rd of July 2026**

**Performance: 7.00pm**

THE ATKINSON THEATRE  
TICKETS: £10.00 EACH (MAX 4 PER CHILD)



TICKET SALES WILL BE ANNOUNCED SOON



**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)*





# STEAM & VINTAGE FAIR

SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> & MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2026

11.00am to 4.00pm

STEAM & TRACTION ENGINES, VINTAGE CARS,

TRACTORS & STATIONARY ENGINES.

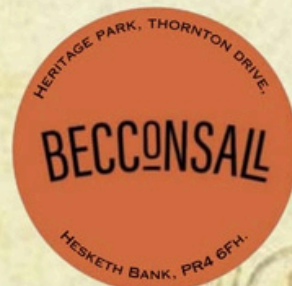
BOUNCY CASTLE, FACE PAINTING,

SHOP LOCAL CRAFTS & MAKERS STALLS.

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS, CAKES, ICE CREAM

Buy tickets at:

<https://buytickets.at/becconsall/2172994>



Thornton Drive, Hesketh Bank, PR4 6FH



# PTA

Sell your items  
old or new



Churchtown PTA

# TABLETOP SALE

Have a clear out or pick up some bargains  
and help raise money for Churchtown  
Primary School



29  
AUG

St Cuthbert's Village Hall  
10am - 3pm  
To book a table:  
[churchtownpta2@gmail.com](mailto:churchtownpta2@gmail.com)

£10  
PER  
TABLE

Tea & Coffee. Cakes. Tombola. Free Entry



Churchtown PTA

We're collecting for the

# SUMMER FAIR!

We're looking for donations of:

- ★ Prizes
- ♡ Cuddly Toys
- ✿ Bottles (sealed and in date)

to help raise money for the PTA



Bottles



Cuddly toys



Raffle Prizes

Drop-off details:

Please bring along on 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> June  
Drop off at the Hut on the main playground

# E V E N T S

# 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) Dining Hall
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Y1 Hedgehogs Class Assembly (2:30) Dining Hall
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Y1 Squirrels Class Assembly (2:30) Dining Hall
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Buttercups Nursery Educational Visit to Martin Mere
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Class Photographs - Rec-Year 6 - School uniform (not PE kit)
11th-15 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	KS2 SATs Week
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
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Community Voice Day
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
Wednesday 20th May 2026	World Bee Day (School uniform with a pop of yellow to celebrate Bebe)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	Y6 End of Year Celebration Trip
Monday 25th- Friday 29th May 2026	Half Term Week

<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>Year 3 &amp; 4 Lawn Bowls Festival - Southport Lawn Bowls Club</b>
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>Childrens University Graduation</b>
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>Year 5 &amp; Year 6 Golf Skills Festival</b>
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>Wally Cain Dress Rehearsal @ The Atkinson</b>
<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/BC 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>