

Friday 3rd July 2026

Churchtown Chatter

Newsletter 37



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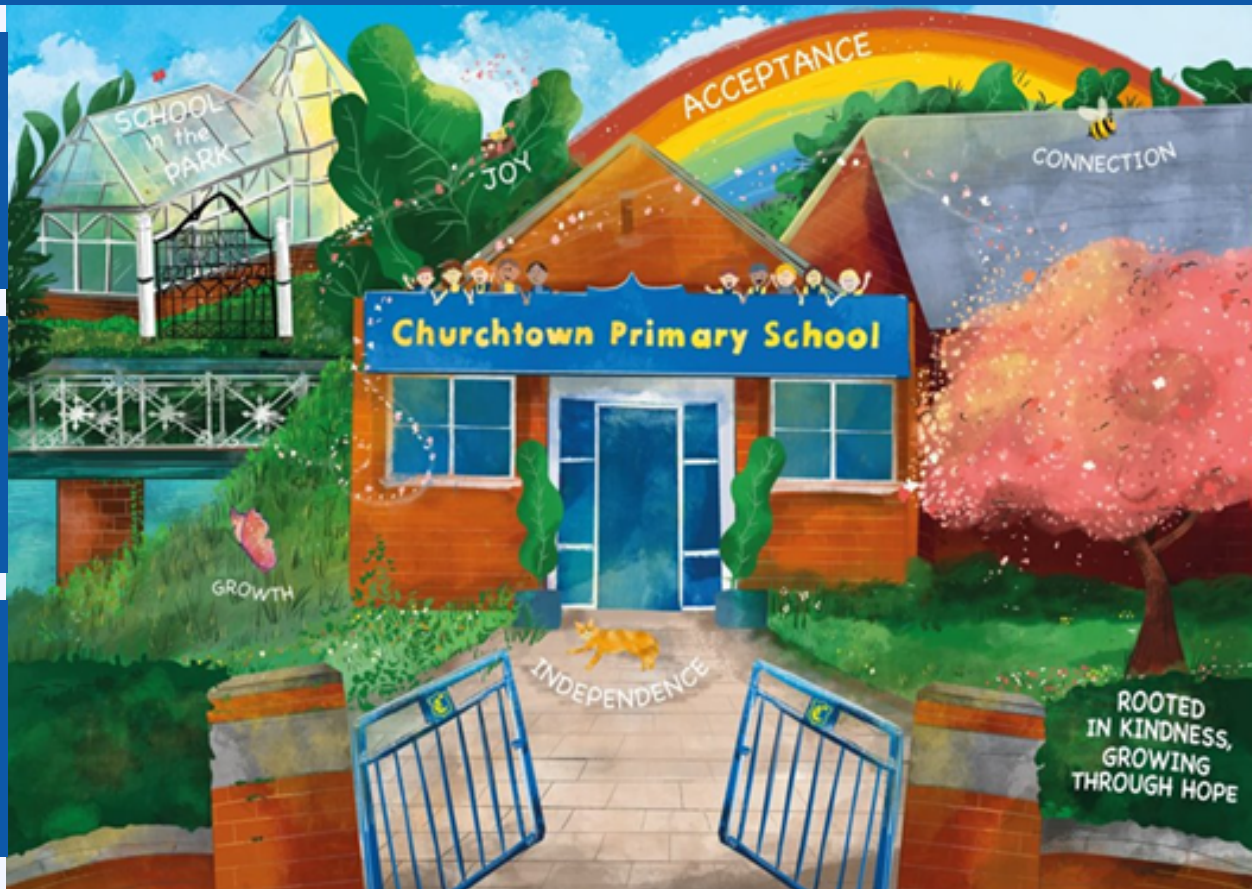
Connection



Independence



Growth



A message from the Headteacher:

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Summer Fair . It was a wonderful event, with a fantastic atmosphere and a great turnout from families and friends of the school. Thank you to our PTA, staff, volunteers and everyone who helped organise, donate and support the event. The children thoroughly enjoyed all the activities, and it was lovely to see our school community come together for such a successful afternoon.

This week, we have also been delighted to welcome our new Reception children and their families into school for their Stay and Play sessions. It has been wonderful to see the children exploring their new classrooms, meeting staff and beginning to make new friends ahead of September. We are very much looking forward to welcoming them officially to the Churchtown family in the new school year.

Finally, a massive good luck to our Year 6 children, who will be performing their end-of-year show at The Atkinson this evening. They have worked incredibly hard preparing for the performance, and we know they are going to be amazing. Enjoy every moment, Year 6-break a leg!

Have a great weekend, from Mrs Payne.

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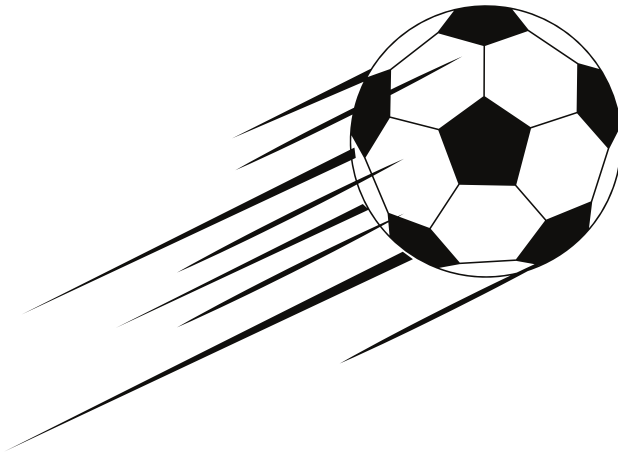
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Primary School

Reminder:

School starts at the usual time on Monday, and we're looking forward to welcoming everyone back after the weekend. Fingers crossed we'll be greeted by lots of smiling faces after an England victory this weekend!



Attendance

This week's Attendance Champions
are:

Elm

for 100% attendance!

The Year Group with the highest
attendance this week is:

Year 1

Well done everybody!



CLASS INFORMATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

Leadership:

Headteacher – Jinnie Payne

Deputy Headteacher – Michelle Ward

Assistant Headteacher (EYFS/KS1) – Mr Dowd

Assistant Headteacher (KS2) – Mrs Purdy

SENCO – Mrs Bowen (Maternity cover for Mrs Tudor)

Nursery: Snowdrops	Miss Andrews (Room Leader) Miss Kerr (Deputy Room Leader)
	Miss Walker Miss Taylor Miss Hart Miss Mawdsley Miss Barron

Nursery: Buttercups Phase Leader: Mrs Mallett	Mrs Shawcroft (Nursery Class Teacher)
	Miss Cornish (TA) Miss Marrin (TA)

Reception Phase Leader: Mrs Mallett	Mrs Mallett <i>Sunflowers</i>	Miss Wilson <i>Tulips</i>	Mrs O'Grady & Mrs Langley <i>Bluebells</i>
	Mrs Andrew (TA)	Mrs Rigby (TA)	Mrs Steele (TA)

Year 1 Phase Leader: Mrs Dowd	Mrs Dowd <i>Squirrels</i>	Mrs Crookes <i>Hedgehogs</i>	Mrs Coysh <i>Rabbits</i>
	Old Class: Tulips	Old Class: Sunflowers	Old Class: Bluebells
	Miss Rimmer (TA)& Mrs Gavan (TA)		

Year 2 Phase Leader: Mrs Dowd	Mrs Stalker Robins	Mrs Bowers (4 days) Mr Dowd (1 day) Owls	Ms Staples Swans
	Old Class: Hedgehogs	Old Class: Squirrels	Old Class: Rabbits
	Mrs Beigan (TA), Mrs McDonald (TA), Mrs Barbe (TA), Mrs Lomax (TA)& Mrs Ahmed (TA)		

Year 3 Phase Leader: Mrs Purdy	Miss Morris (3 days) Mrs Purdy (2 days) Oak	Cassie Thornley Fir
	Mrs Straw (TA) & Miss Wareing	

Year 4 Phase Leader: Mr Bowen	Miss Suffell Pine	Mrs Williams (Mon/Tue/Wed) Mrs Carroll (Thu/Fri) Birch	Mrs Howard (4 days) Willow
	Old Class: Elm	Old Class: Oak	Old Class: Fir
	Mrs Lamb (TA), Mrs Partington (TA), Mrs Munro (TA), Mrs Liddle (TA) and Mrs Barbe (TA)		

Year 5 Phase Leader: Mr Bowen	Mr Bowen Alder	Miss Wynne Juniper	Miss Doran Larch
	Old Class: Pine	Old Class: Willow	Old Class: Birch
	Miss Williamson (TA) & Miss Francis (TA)		

Year 6 Phase Leader: Mr Bowen	Mrs Collins Aspen	Mrs Bluck Cedar	Miss Hart Sycamore
	Old Class: Alder	Old Class: Juniper	Old Class: Larch
	Mrs Anderson (TA), Mrs Aspinall (TA) & Mrs Parkes (TA)		

Teachers: Mrs Hopkins (Maternity leave)
Flourish: Mrs Bowen (Class Teacher) & Miss Francis (TA)
Pastoral Team: Mrs Sutton, Miss Simms, Mr Bateman, Mrs Welsh, Mrs Patten
Cover Supervisors: Miss Wray, Mrs Hipwell, Mrs Talbot-Landers, Mrs Doyle (Maternity leave)
Music: Mrs Hibbert

Summer Disco Reminder

This is a reminder about our Summer Discos taking place on Thursday 9th July
 Years 2 & 3: 3:30pm – 4:30pm & Years 4 & 5: 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Price: £3.50 per child

Payment should ideally be made in advance via Arbor. If this is not possible, children can bring the £3.50 in an envelope on the day.

Year 2 & 3 children may bring their disco clothes to school in a bag to change before the disco.

Access for drop off & collection will be via the Dining Hall gate.

Year 2 children will exit through the Year 4 door.

Year 3 children will exit through the MUGA door.

Year 4: Enter and leave through the Year 4 door.

Year 5: Enter and leave through the MUGA door.

Summer Fair

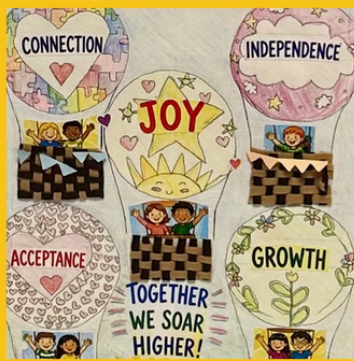


A big thankyou to everyone who attended the Summer Fair and made it a really special afternoon!



Thankyou to the PTA for all that they did and provided for The Summer Fair- we are so grateful for their support!

Art Competition



**The
winners
are...**

**Snowdrops - Ava
Buttercups- Wynnne
Reception - Romy
Year 1 - Sienna
Year 2 - Lily-Anna
Year 3 - Flori
Year 4 - Eden
Year 5- Heidi
Year 6 - Ellie**

Sing For Sefton



On Tuesday afternoon, Year 4 joined six other primary schools for the Sing for Sefton celebration at The Atkinson Theatre in Southport. It was a fantastic opportunity for the children to experience the joy of making music together, building their confidence and showcasing all the hard work they had put into learning the songs with professional singers Ulla and Helena from Ex Cathedra.

The children sang with enthusiasm, energy and pride, filling the theatre with wonderful music. A special congratulations goes to Emelia and Bella, who bravely took to the stage to perform a short solo. Their confidence and talent were a credit to themselves and the school. It was an inspiring and memorable experience for both the children and staff, highlighting the power of music. Well done Year 4!

Dogs on School Grounds

To help keep all members of our school community safe, we would like to remind families of our expectations regarding dogs at school.

- Dogs must not be brought onto the school playground at any time.
- If you choose to bring your dog when dropping off or collecting your child, please ensure it is supervised at all times.
- Any dog left tied up outside the school premises remains the responsibility of its owner and not the school.
- Children and adults should not approach, touch, or stroke dogs outside the school, regardless of how friendly they may appear.
- Please do not give treats or food to any dogs.

Thank you for your support and cooperation in helping us maintain a safe environment for everyone.

A Reminder About Squishy Toys:

Please can we ask that children do not bring squishy toys from home into school.

We have recently had several instances of these toys bursting, creating a potential safety hazard and staining clothes. In particular, 'NeeDoh Squishies' are very firm and can pose an additional risk if thrown or used inappropriately.

We appreciate your support. Thank you.



Casual Site Supervisor Required

Churchtown Primary School is looking for a friendly, reliable and practical person to join our team as a Casual Site Supervisor.

Duties will include:

Gate duties at the beginning and end of the school day

Carrying out minor repairs and maintenance

Helping to keep the school site safe, secure and well maintained

Applicants must be able to drive and be confident with basic DIY and maintenance tasks.

For an application form or further information, please contact the School Office at office@churchtown.org.uk.



Beach Clean Success!

Well done to everyone who took part in our recent beach clean alongside Green Sefton and Tarleton Academy!

With around 30 people involved, we collected a mountain of rubbish – an incredible effort by all! 💪

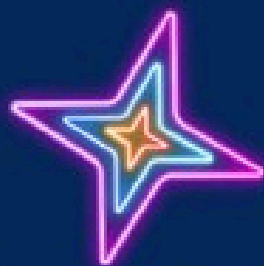
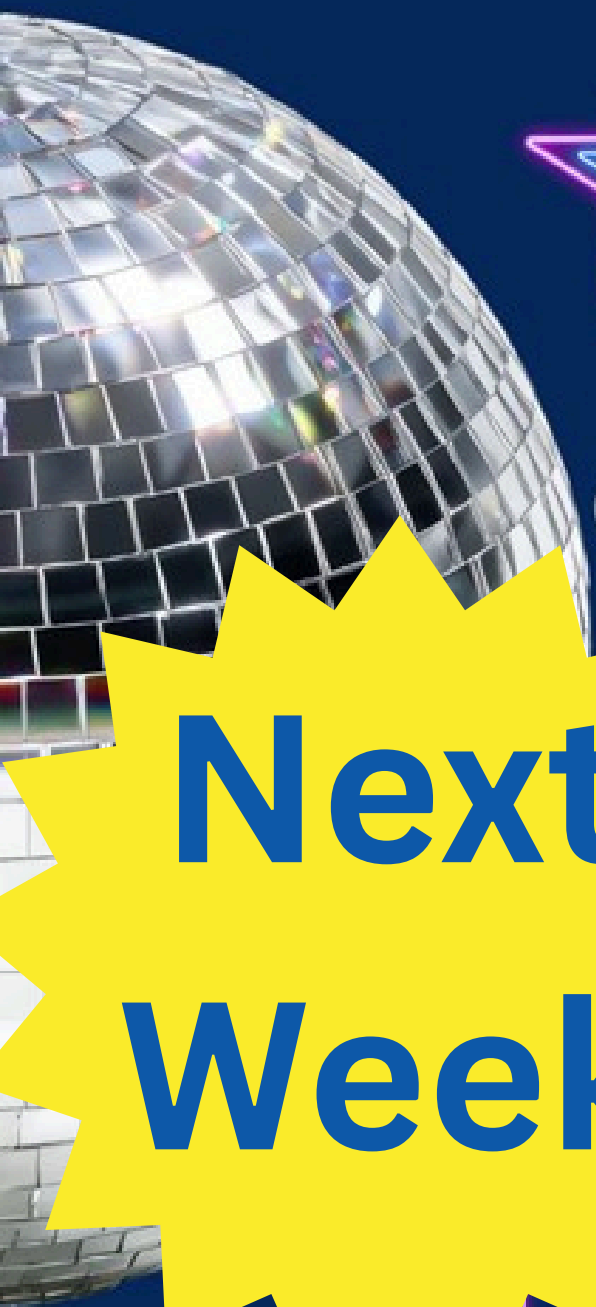
Thank you to everyone who gave their time to help protect our local environment. Every piece collected makes a difference! 🌿





Churchtown PTA

SUMMER DISCO



Thursday 9th July



Years 2 & 3: 3:30pm – 4:30pm



Years 4 & 5: 5pm – 6pm

**Next
Week!**





OPEN WATER: DON'T TAKE THE RISK



Swimming in or playing near rivers and canals may seem like a great idea, particularly on a warm day, but it could all end in tragedy. **DON'T take the risk.**

THE WATER IS COLD...

...even on very warm days, rivers and canals contain water barely above 10 degrees. Sudden immersion can lead to cold water shock, which can cause gasping and intake of water.

This can be deadly in a matter of seconds.



DID YOU KNOW?

Even the narrowest of rivers can be considerably deep. Rivers are subject to strong flow and **hidden currents** which can trouble even the strongest of swimmers.

WHAT LIES BENEATH?



The water is untreated and can make you ill.

Canals and rivers contain pollutants, sewage and often unseen underwater obstructions and snag hazards.

Debris under the water such as shopping trolleys, broken glass and cans can cause **injury** or **trap** you.



Remember, there are no lifeguards to help you at your local river, lake, canal or dam.



Rivers can be very difficult to climb out of, especially with steep or slimy banks. Stay clear of rivers with steep or unguarded banks.

IN AN EMERGENCY...NEVER enter the water to try and help a person or animal. You could get into difficulty yourself. Instead, dial 999 and use any water rescue equipment that is available.

If you fall into the water unexpectedly, fight your instinct to thrash around. Instead, lean back, extend your arms and legs & float.



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FIRE & RESCUE
SERVICE**

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Churchtown PTA

ICE LOLLY FRIDAYS ARE BACK!

The PTA will be selling ice pops on the
playground after school on the
following dates:

June 5th

June 12th

June 19th

June 26th

July 3rd

July 10th



50P

CASH ONLY



Cornerstone Library
Churchtown
A place for everyone



Summer reading club



Join our summer reading club
Read 4 books and you will receive a prize.
Read 6 books and you will be entered into a prize draw.

Return forms to the library by Thursday 27th August 2026.



SUMMER TENNIS CAMPS!

SERVE UP
SOME **FUN**
THIS SUMMER

3
WEEKS
OF CAMPS!

WEEK 1

Monday 20th –
Wednesday 22nd July

WEEK 2

Monday 27th –
Wednesday 29th July

WEEK 3

Tuesday 4th –
Thursday 6th August



CAMPS TIMES
9AM – 2PM



PRICES
£30
FOR A DAY
£70
FOR 3 DAYS



AGES
4-16
YEARS OLD



FUN GAMES,
COACHING,
MATCHES AND
MAKE NEW
FRIENDS!



**TUCK SHOP
AVAILABLE!**



VENUE:

NORTH MEOLS TENNIS CLUB



CONTACT **DANNY McSHANE**
ON **07900998754** TO BOOK ON
OR FOR MORE DETAILS

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

£10
PER
TABLE

Tea & Coffee. Cakes. Tombola. Free Entry

Dates for your Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Friday 3 rd July 2026	Y6 Performance at The Atkinson (7pm)
Tuesday 7 th & Wednesday 8 th July 2026	Y3 Class Assemblies (2pm Start)
Monday 6 th July 2026	Transition Visits to New Classes
Thursday 9 th July 2026	REARRANGED: Reception Sports Day
Friday 10 th July 2026	Transition Visits to New Classes
Thursday 9 th July 2026	PTA Summer Discos (Y2&3- 3:30-4:30pm Y4&5- 5-6pm)
Monday 13 th July 2026	Summer Reading Challenge Assembly
Thursday 16 th July 2026	Year 6 Leavers Assembly @ St Cuthberts Church (9:30am)
Thursday 16 th July 2026	Year 6 Festival on the yard (PM)
Friday 17 th July 2026	PTA Y6 Break the Rules Day
Friday 17 th July 2026	End of Term- School closes at 1:30pm for Summer Holidays
Monday 20 th July 2026	INSET Day



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 2026/27

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

CLOSED- Tuesday 1st Septemebr 2026 (INSET DAY)

CLOSED- Wednesday 2nd Septemebr 2026 (INSET
DAY)

CLOSED- Thursday 24th December (Christmas Eve)

CLOSED- Friday 25th December (Christmas Day)

CLOSED- Monday 28th December (BH Boxing Day)

CLOSED- Thursday 31st December 2026 (NYE)

CLOSED- Friday 1st January 2027 (NYD)

2026/27 Term Dates

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