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Newsletter 5

Friday 6th October 2023

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We have had a lovely morning at St Cuthbert's Church celebrating 'Harvest'. The children were exceptionally respectful of their surroundings and a credit to their parents and staff, in the way they behaved walking to and from church and during the assembly. The choir sang whilst the assembly groups entered and exited and the Junior Leadership team supported by welcoming us into church and very eloquently reading harvest poems. Compassion Acts came to collect the food that you had donated. Photographs will be posted on Facebook over the weekend. The Book Fair starts next week on Thursday, please see information further down in the newsletter. This year it will be held in the Early Years building so please come and visit us to purchase books.

Finally, our small number of parents who are running the PTA have two events that are coming up. These are to raise money for the school. The PTA do an amazing job with the resources they have to organise and run these events and in advance of this academic year I would like to thank them for their continued hard work for raising money for Churchtown Primary School.

Have a good weekend, Mrs Payne

RESPECT

This half term, the value that Churchtown is developing is Respect. At the end of the half term, value champions will be nominated for each class.



ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

The year groups with the best attendance this week are

Year 5 - awarded 2 points Year 1 - awarded 1 point

This week's attendance champions are **LARCH**, for a great team effort on their attendance!



BUDDY ASSEMBLY GROUPS

Each week in the 'Friday Praise Assembly' we have been checking the totals of the Buddy assembly groups.

Classes and children gain points for super behaviour.

1 st	86	Red Team
2 nd	77	Blue Team
2 nd	77	Yellow Team
4 th	63	Green Team



Churchtown Primary School Open Mornings

We would like to invite prospective pupils and their families to our Open Mornings. This is a great opportunity to take a look around Churchtown Primary, meet our staff and current pupils. The Open Mornings will start at 9.30am at the main school entrance (School Office).

Booking for this event is essential as we have limited spaces for each Open Morning. To reserve your space, please click on your chosen date on our webpage to fill out your details, via the link below:

Open Morning Webpage

If you have any queries before making a booking please contact the school via telephone on **01704 508500** or email us at **office@churchtown.org.uk**

Next available dates: Friday 13th October 2023 Friday 3rd November 2023 Monday 13th November 2023 Tuesday 16th January 2024



Churchtown Little Buds

Nursery & Reception After School Care



Little Buds is our after-school care for Nursery and Reception aged children. It is open every evening from the end of school until 5.55pm. Teaching Assistants from the school run the club and children are provided with a snack, as well as a multitude of activities to engage and interest all who attend. The cost per session is £10. Places are available and can be booked via our school app or at the school office. Please call 01704 508500 if you require further information.



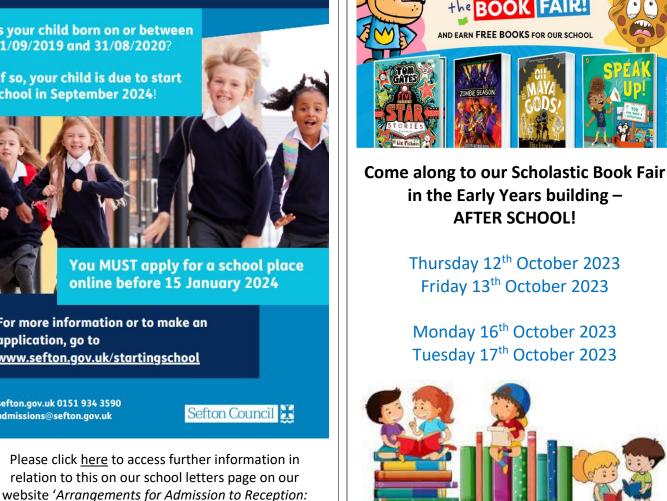
For all children in Year 6, it is now time for you to apply for your child's place at a secondary school for Year 7, September 2024 entry.

Please click <u>here</u> to access a copy of the letter on our website titled 'Secondary School Admissions for September 2024'.

Further information can also be found on www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool

Sefton's online application for secondary schools is open from 1st September 2023 until the <u>national</u> <u>closing date of 31st October 2023</u> for you to submit your application.





■SCHOLASTIC ATRAVELLING BOOKS

COME (TO)



September 2024'.

Our local Village community have planned to have an exciting Halloween hunt in and around the village shops during the month of October. Children and their families can collect a Halloween Hunt sheet from one of the local businesses, and then enjoy following the instructions together to find a variety of spooky themed items in shop windows. Black cats, owls, ghosts, skeletons and lots more! Have fun everyone!!





Tuesday 10th October 2023 is World Mental Health Day

The theme for this year is 'mental health is a universal human right'.

In order to raise the profile of mental health and wellbeing, every class in school will be delivering a PSHE lesson with a focus on mental health, using a variety of activities.



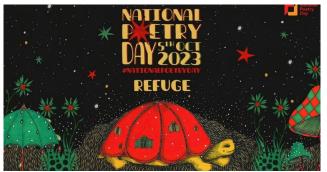
'Making wellbeing a priority at Churchtown'

On Friday 20th October we are raising money for the P.T.A. The children can come into school in mufti clothes or fancy dress. This does not have to be Monster Mash related costumes – this can be any fancy dress costume.

We ask that the children make a £1 voluntary contribution.







Thursday 5th October was **National Poetry Day** and this year's theme was 'Refuge'.

National Poetry Day is an annual, national celebration that encourages everyone to create, experience and share poetry with family and friends. To mark this special day, like last year, we are encouraging all children at Churchtown Primary School to take part in a poetry competition as part of this week's homework. Children should write their poem in their homework books based around this year's theme and winners will be selected from each year group and announced in assemblies in the week commencing the 16th of October. Poems can be in any form, from a haiku to an acrostic poem. Younger pupils can also draw a picture to represent this year's theme. We can't wait to read the array of amazing poetry!



Date	Event
Monday 9 th October 2023	Y1 Audiology re-testing
Tuesday 10 th October 2023	World Mental Health Day
Tuesday 10 th October 2023	Y6 Height and Weight Check
Thursday 12 th October 2023	Scholastic Book Fair – after school
Friday 13 th October 2023	Scholastic Book Fair – after school
Monday 16 th October 2023	Scholastic Book Fair – after school
Tuesday 17 th October 2023	Scholastic Book Fair – after school
Friday 20 th October 2023	P.T.A. Mufti Day / Optional fancy dress
Friday 20 th October 2023	Break up for half-term (normal times)
Monday 30 th October 2023	INSET Day
Tuesday 31 st October 2023	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Thursday 2 nd November 2023	P.T.A. Fashion Show
Saturday 4 th November 2023	Green Sefton - Southport Beach Clean Up!
Sunday 26 th November 2023	Churchtown Village Christmas Light Switch on!
Thursday 21 st December 2023	Break up for Christmas – 1.30pm
Friday 22 nd December 2023	INSET Day
Monday 8 th January 2023	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!