

# Churchtown Chatter

Imagine ... Believe ... Achieve...

**Newsletter 8**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

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Welcome back after a lovely, half term break!  
The children have settled back into school really well. We have been having a number of Open Mornings for prospective families to join our school, we held one of them today. Walking around the school is always beneficial, as it allows for the school to be showcased and see what goes on at Churchtown in the life of a child. We have received a multitude of positive comments about the calm environment, exemplary children's behaviour, the fun and enjoyment going on in the classrooms and the structure to the school day.

This has been really lovely to receive and share with staff and children.  
**Please have a safe and enjoyable weekend celebrating Bonfire/Fireworks Night! Mrs Payne**



## LOVE OF LEARNING

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



### LOVE OF LEARNING



At Churchtown creativity drives our love of learning. We believe that when learning is fun, purposeful, and when the voice and imagination of everyone is valued, we flourish.



## ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

The year groups with the best attendance this week are

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**1<sup>st</sup> Place - Reception (98%) - awarded 2 points**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Year 3 (97%) – awarded 1 point**

This week's attendance champions are **Y3 Elm Class** who have 100% attendance and punctuality.



## 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.

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	139	<b>Blue Team</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	128	<b>Red Team</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	124	<b>Green Team</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	119	<b>Yellow Team</b>



## 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](mailto:office@churchtown.org.uk)

**Next available dates:**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

## Learning Champions

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# CONGRATULATIONS!

to all of our award winners this week!  
Children will bring home their postcard to share with you at home. These awards will also be celebrated in Praise Assemblies on Fridays.

## APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE

Is your child born on or between  
01/09/2019 and 31/08/2020?

If so, your child is due to start  
school in September 2024!



**You MUST apply for a school place  
online before 15 January 2024**

For more information or to make an  
application, go to  
[www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool](http://www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool)

sefton.gov.uk 0151 934 3590  
admissions@sefton.gov.uk

Sefton Council

Please click [here](#) to access further information in relation to this on our school letters page on our website 'Arrangements for Admission to Reception: September 2024'.

# green Sefton

Sefton Council

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2023, **Green Sefton** are hosting another Southport Beach Clean-Up. This is a part of the Keep Britain Tidy Great British Clean.

If you wish to attend and support them, they are meeting at the Weld Road roundabout car park at 10:00am. Litter pickers, bin bags and hoops to hold them open will be provided but **please bring your own gloves and wear suitable outdoor clothing and sturdy footwear.** (You may use your own equipment if you have it.)

If you do take part and take any photographs, please send them to the office. It will be great to see you all working hard.

**Thank you in advance for making a difference!**

# Churchtown Parents' Meetings

## Wednesday 8th November

### School closes at 2pm

Parents' Evening is taking place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and we are pleased to announce that we will be doing this in school, as a face-to-face meeting.

There is an online booking system that allows you to choose your 10-minute appointment time with your child's class teacher/s.

The online booking system is now live and will close on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 4pm. It can be accessed by clicking below:-

<https://churchtown.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Please click [here](#) to access a copy of the letter on our website titled:

'Churchtown Parents Evening – 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023'.

**ENTRANCE WILL BE VIA THE LODGE GATE TO THE OLD HALL**



Churchtown Primary School has once again agreed to take part in the national **Rotary Shoebox Scheme**. Information regarding this has been communicated with parents via the Parent App, however a copy of the letter titled 'Shoebox Scheme 2023' can be found on our letters section of the website, by clicking [here](#).

If you would like to be involved, please complete the [online form](#) and then send your £3 donation per box into school, in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name, class and number of shoeboxes required together with the total amount enclosed by **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023**.

For further information on the shoebox scheme, please visit: -

<http://www.rotaryshoebox.org>

**Many thanks for your support.**



**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**Challenge yourself to be SPOTacular!**

**Children will be able to wear something spotty or their pyjamas.**

A suggested £1 donation for Children in Need can be made via ParentPay by clicking [here](#).



Our school PTA is a vital part of our school community: bridging gaps in funding for educational equipment and facilities.

**Are you able to spare some time?**

There are a number of ways that you can help the PTA, from an hour selling sweets and drinks at a disco, to playing an active role in the leadership of the PTA.

If you are able to assist with the running of stalls at fairs, assisting at discos, selling prize draw tickets and generally assisting with the running of events, please email the PTA Chair on [churchtownpta2@gmail.com](mailto:churchtownpta2@gmail.com).

# Churchtown Little Buds



As you are aware, school will be finishing for Christmas at 1.30pm on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023. Little Buds After-School Club **will not be open** on this day. We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause.

**Thank you - The Little Buds Staff Team.**

THE ROYAL BRITISH  
**LEGION**



Major McEntee, as part of The Royal British Legion, has organised for all children to receive a Poppy Appeal item. If children would like to make a donation towards this, then

the Poppy Appeal money box will be taken around school, from next week, to enable the children to make their donations.

**We would like to thank Major McEntee for his donations.**



**PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR MESSAGE IN RELATION TO A CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION FROM:**

**DAMIEN MOORE MP**  
**Member of Parliament for Southport**

*“Ahead of sending out my Christmas cards this year, which typically go to friends and organisations across Southport, and to colleagues in Westminster, including to the Prime Minister and to the King, I wanted to let you know of a competition I am running.*

*This year, I am looking to display the creative and artistic ability of primary school pupils in Southport, and I would be honoured if pupils at your school would consider designing a Christmas card each, from which I could pick one to be sent out as my official Christmas card.*

*All primary school pupils in Southport are invited to take part in the competition. As a guide, the designs should be interesting, light and funny, and pupils should express what Christmas means to them. Ultimately, this is about showing off their creativity, so I encourage all the children to draw or paint as their imagination takes them.*

*The design they create should be on an A4 piece of paper, and on the back of the design it should have the name of the pupil, their year group and their school.”*



**HOUSE OF COMMONS**  
**LONDON SW1A 0AA**

**\*\*\* All submissions are to be returned to school for the attention of Mrs J Scaife, (Heads' PA) NO LATER than Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 \*\*\***



Date	Event
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Green Sefton - Southport Beach Clean Up!
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023</b>	<b>Y1 visit to Waterfields Bakery</b>
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Children's Book Week
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	P.T.A. Meeting in The Lodge at 7pm – all welcome to attend
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	School closes at 2pm Parents Evening from 2.30pm – <b>ENTRANCE VIA THE LODGE GATE TO THE OLD HALL</b>
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Remembrance Day
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Remembrance Day Service at The Monument, Lord Street
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023</b>	<b>Wear odd socks to school day to celebrate difference and to mark the start of anti-bullying week</b>
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Anti-bullying Week
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Southport Learning Partnership – Discovering Local Futures. At the Waterfront Hotel – to be attended by the School Council.
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Children in Need
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Churchtown Village Christmas Light Switch on!
Date	Event
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Y2 Kestrels & Robins Class Performances (Kestrels & Robins parents to attend) – 2.15pm
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Y2 Owls & Robins Class Performances (Owls parents to attend) – 2.15pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Nursery Show – 2.30pm
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	P.T.A. Meeting in The Lodge at 7pm – all welcome to attend
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Christmas Dinner/Jumper Day
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Reception Show at St. Cuthbert's Church – 10am
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Early Years & Key Stage 1 Party Day Y5 Carol Concert at St. Cuthbert's Church – 9.15am
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Key Stage 2 Party Day
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Christmas Assemblies in Church
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2023	Break up for Christmas – 1.30pm
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2023	INSET Day
Date	Event
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!

- Text in red is a new addition to the calendar