

# Churchtown Chatter

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

**Newsletter 12**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

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Today has been a very exciting day in school; children have come in to find Christmas decorations up around school and in some classrooms, the 'Elf' has made an appearance in unusual and creative ways. I am sure you will find out about the adventures of the class elf throughout December from your child as they report back. Thank you to everyone who has supported the shoebox appeal. Over 100 boxes were collected today to join the rest of the boxes collected from Southport schools and start their journey to support children in other countries, who require this help. This is such a valuable experience to do with your child to help build understanding and empathy towards others who may not be as fortunate as themselves.

The crowds came out at Churchtown Christmas Fair last Sunday, with much support given to the school choir. They sang and entertained for 30 minutes, and received encouragement from the audience. That was the start of their singing throughout December as they visit care homes, church events and helping collect money for the school whilst entertaining shoppers at Tesco's.

**Have a lovely weekend, 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:

**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Year 6 (96.9%) - awarded 2 points**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Year 4 (96.8%) – awarded 1 point**

This week's attendance champions are **Y4 Willow Class** for the highest attendance this week – **99.13%**



## 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>	236	<b>Red Team</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	220	<b>Yellow Team</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	209	<b>Blue Team</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	192	<b>Green Team</b>



## Churchtown Primary School Open Mornings

We would like to invite prospective pupils and their families to our Open Morning. This is a great opportunity to take a look around Churchtown Primary School, 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 date:**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

## 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



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'.

## Our School Eco Club Champions would like to share



### Facts of the Week!

- Despite how much energy and raw (new) materials recycling glass can save, we still send 14 million glass bottles and jars to landfill every day in the U.K.
- Using recycled paper saves trees from being cut down so always check to see if your paper is recycled. Another good way to save paper and trees is to make sure you use the front AND back of paper.

# FUN4KIDZ

PLAY + CHILDCARE

There will be no holiday club offered during the Christmas break. The next holiday club will be run during the February half-term break.





**Story time with Santa**

The PTA brings Santa to school... On Christmas party days, children in Nursery to Year 4 will be visiting Santa's grotto for story time and they will each receive a gift. We ask for a voluntary donation of £3 per child for this, paid through Parent Pay.

Children in Year 5 and Year 6 will receive a visit from Santa during their party day. No donation is needed for this.



The School Games National Santa Dash returns for another fun-filled day of festive fun!

The 2023 Santa Dash will take place on **Friday 8th December 2023** on the school playground. All year groups will be participating

As in previous years, the Santa Dash is all about having fun whilst being active. Please remember to bring your Santa hat or Christmas hat if you have one!



The **Southport Eco Centre** are running their yearly Christmas waste panto advent competition. The deadline for the competition is the **14<sup>th</sup> December** and all students who complete the competition will earn 3 Children's University credits.

Please click <https://www.southportecocentre.com/> to participate – good luck!



This campaign has been designed and created by

**children's** All entries earn learning credits\*

\* Credit can be applied throughout the school holidays and are not dependant on deadline for pantomime ticket competition.



**Elf Raffle**

THE WINNERS OF THE P.T.A. ELF RAFFLE ARE.....



**Elsie H – Y4 Maple**

**Jake C – Y3 Elm**







## School Health Team North – Sefton



Sefton School Health Team are providing video appointments on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December. As a parent, you will be able to speak to a member of the

Sefton School Nursing Team regarding your child/ren and any physical or mental health issue that you have concerns about. Please visit the Churchtown Primary School website by clicking [here](#) to access more information; 'School Health Drop In – 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023'.

Booking is not required, simply log on using the instructions provided in the information on our website (link above), on the 7<sup>th</sup> December, enter the online waiting area and the service will see that you have arrived and a provider will join your call when ready. There is no need to create an account.

**CAMP VENUES**  
THE HUB @ BANKS (BANKS LEISURE CENTRE)  
ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

**ONLY £20 per day**

**NEW YEAR ENDEAVOUR HOLIDAY CAMP**  
JANUARY 2024  
WEDNESDAY 3RD  
THURSDAY 4TH  
FRIDAY 5TH

**Arts & Crafts, Athletics, Basketball, Dance, Dodgeball, Football, Invasion and Target Games, and much more!**

**Open to 5 - 12 year olds**

**8.30AM until 4.30PM**

**COMPETITIONS PRIZES CERTIFICATES**

**WEST LANCASHIRE HAF HOLIDAY ACTIVITY FUN**

**ENDEAVOUR COMMUNITY**  
Delivered by WEST LANCASHIRE SPORT PARTNERSHIP

To book your child's place please visit <https://ec.schoolactivity.co.uk> and if you have any queries please email [holidaycamps@endeavourlearning.org](mailto:holidaycamps@endeavourlearning.org)

## 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.

We have, however, been advised that Fun4Kidz will be able to offer places to **Reception** children on this day, as an alternative. Fun4Kidz can be contacted on 0151 932 9218 or 0151 924 0122 for more information or to book your place.

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

## ROTARY SHOEBOX SCHEME - 2023



Thank you to everyone who took part in the **Rotary Shoebox Scheme**. Over 100 shoeboxes were filled and returned to school. Your contributions towards these, as always, are greatly appreciated. These have now been collected from school.





Date	Event
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Y2 Travelling Science Show
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
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	School Games National Santa Dash – on the playground
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Nursery Show – 2.30pm
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Y6 Travelling Science Show
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	P.T.A. Meeting in The Lodge at 7pm – all welcome to attend
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	School choir to perform at Cornerstone Methodist Church in conjunction with the Rotary Club – 7pm
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
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Year 3 Educational Visit to Chester
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	<b>Early Years &amp; Key Stage 1 Party Day</b> Y5 Carol Concert at St. Cuthbert's Church – 9.15am
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	<b>Key Stage 2 Party Day</b>
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 2024	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Date	Event
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Y5 Educational visit to Young Voices at the AO Arena, Manchester
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Break up for half-term (normal times)
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Date	Event
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Early Years & KS1 Theatre Trip to The Atkinson - 1.30pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Year 1 Educational Trip to Imagine That! Liverpool
Date	Event
May 2024	Nursery & Reception Educational Trip to Martin Mere

Date	Event
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Year 4 Educational Trip to The Beatles Story, Liverpool
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Year 2 Educational Trip to Blackpool Zoo
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Text in red is a new addition to the calendar</li></ul>	