

# Churchtown Chatter

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**Newsletter 1**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023

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A very warm (extremely warm) welcome back to the Autumn term at Churchtown Primary School. It has been an excellent first week back with children looking all shiny and new in their school uniform. We started the week with just staff doing two training days, the latter being on Safeguarding with the Trust's lead for Safeguarding. This was exceptionally informative and an imperative part of our everyday work in schools. The fun then started as we opened the doors on Wednesday morning to the delightful smiles of the children. I am very proud of how the children have been this week. They have settled remarkably well, shown great respect to all staff and children and had fun being back with their friends and making new ones. Thank you, parents and carers, for all you do to prepare your children for the start of the school year. It can be a particularly anxious time after a long break. Children can feel anxious for many reasons but supporting them through that both at home and school through talking, reassuring and providing strategies is extremely helpful. Thank you!

**Enjoy the beautiful weather this 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

Our average attendance for the first few days of term has been excellent at 97.8%. It would be great to continue to see this throughout the remainder of the term.

The classes with the best attendance this week are:

Reception classes Bluebells, Tulips, Sunflowers – 100%  
Year 3 classes Ash & Elm – 100%  
Year 4 class Birch – 100%

The year group with the best attendance this week is:

Reception – 100%

*Please also be reminded that holidays will not be authorised during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.*



As we return to school after the summer holidays, we would like to introduce you to our Churchtown Primary School Leadership, SEND and Pastoral Teams.

### KEY SENIOR STAFF:



***Mrs Adams***  
***Executive Headteacher***



***Mrs Payne***  
***Headteacher***



***Mr Swindells***  
***Deputy Headteacher***



***Mr Miller***  
***Assistant Headteacher***



***Mrs Standeven***  
***Assistant Headteacher***

### SEND & PASTORAL STAFF:



***Miss Haury***  
***Pastoral Team Leader***  
***& Safeguarding***  
***Manager***



***Mrs Tudor***  
***SENCO***



***Ms Sutton***  
***Assistant to the SENCO***



***Mr Bateman***  
***Pastoral & Behaviour***  
***Manager***



***Mrs Welsh***  
***Attendance Officer***

## YEAR GROUP LEADERS:



**Mrs Standeven**  
Early Years



**Mrs Dowd**  
Year 1



**Mrs Stalker**  
Year 2



**Miss Suffell**  
Year 3



**Miss Keeley**  
Year 4



**Mr Bowen**  
Year 5



**Miss Morris**  
Year 6

### PE DAYS AT SCHOOL

In September, all children will come to school on PE and field days in their field kit.

The days are as follows:

#### **NURSERY CHILDREN**

Please bring your pumps on **TUESDAY & THURSDAY**

**RECEPTION CHILDREN - TUESDAY & THURSDAY**

**YEAR 1 – MONDAY & FRIDAY**

**YEAR 2 – KESTRELS & OWLS – MONDAY & TUESDAY**

**YEAR 2 – ROBINS – TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY**

**YEAR 3 – WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY**

**YEAR 4 – MONDAY & THURSDAY**

**YEAR 5 – MONDAY – SWIMMING (until 06/11/23 & Wednesday. We will inform parents of changes once swimming is finished) & WEDNESDAY**

**YEAR 6 JUNIPER (Miss Wynne) – MONDAY & WEDNESDAY**

**YEAR 6 SYCAMORE (Miss Morris) – TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY**

**YEAR 6 ASPEN (Mrs Collins) – TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY**

**YEAR 6 CEDAR (Mrs Bluck) – WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY**

### PE/FIELD KIT REQUIREMENTS

Navy tracksuit, white t-shirt or polo shirt and trainers.

Please remember that the following items are **not** permitted:

Football kits, tracksuits with stripes/names or logos other than Churchtown.



## flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



- 1. Protect your child**  
The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends**  
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family.
- 3. No injection needed**  
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- 4. It's better than having flu**  
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- 5. Avoid costs**  
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

For more information visit  
[www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)

Please click [here](#) to access a copy of the letter on our website titled 'Flu Vaccination Letter' and click on the letter for the required year group, for further information.

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September we will be hosting meet the teacher sessions in school. These are to provide you with the opportunity to see your child/ren's classroom and meet their teacher/s. The teachers will give key messages and share information about the year group and learning that will take place.

We will be providing 2 sessions for each class and both of the sessions will include the same content and are repeated to allow you to attend different sessions.

**3:15 pm & 3:45pm** For EYFS: Buttercups, Bluebells, Sunflowers, Tulips,

**Please enter via the Early Years main door**

**3:15 pm & 3:45pm** For Y1: Squirrels, Rabbits, Hedgehogs

**3:15 pm & 3:45pm** For Y2: Owls, Robins, Kestrels

**3:15 pm & 3:45pm** For Y3: Fir, Ash, Oak, Elm

**Please enter Via the old hall doors from the playground**

**3:45 & 4:15pm** For Y4: Maple, Birch, Pine, Willow

**3:45 & 4:15pm** For Y5: Larch, Beech, Alder

**3:45 & 4:15pm** For Y6: Juniper, Cedar, Sycamore, Aspen

**Please enter Via the old hall doors from the playground**

Staff will be on hand to direct you to the classrooms where your child's teacher will be.

<u>Year groups</u>	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Classroom for meeting</u>	<u>Teachers</u>
<b>Nursery Reception</b>	Buttercups Bluebells Sunflowers Tulips	EYFS Hall	Mrs Mallett Mrs Standeven Mrs O'Grady & Mrs Langley Mr Cocks Miss Wilson
<b>Year 1</b>	Squirrels Rabbits	Squirrels Classroom	Mrs Dowd Ms Coysh
	Hedgehogs	Hedgehogs Classroom	Mrs Crookes
<b>Year 2</b>	Robins	Robins Classroom	Mrs Stalker
	Owls Kestrels	Owls Classroom	Mrs Davies Mrs Bowen
<b>Year 3</b>	Fir Oak	Oak Classroom	Mrs Thornley & Mrs Ca Williams Miss Suffell
	Ash Elm	Elm Classroom	Mrs Bowers & Mrs Carroll Ms Staples
<b>Year 4</b>	Birch Pine	Birch Classroom	Miss Keeley Mrs CI Williams & Mrs Carroll
	Maple Willow	Maple Classroom	Mrs Howard Mrs Watkinson
<b>Year 5</b>	Larch Alder	Larch Classroom	Mrs Shawcroft Mr Bowen
	Beech	Beech Classroom	Mrs Hopkins & Mrs McLeod
<b>Year 6</b>	Sycamore Aspen	Aspen Classroom	Miss Morris Miss Collins
	Juniper Cedar	Cedar Classroom	Miss Wynne Mrs Bluck



Date	Event
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Meet the Teacher Meetings 3.15pm, 3.45pm & 4.15pm
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Year 6 Residential Trip to Robinwood
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2023	Tempest Individual/Family Photographs
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2023	Tempest Individual/Family Photographs
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Harvest Assemblies in Church
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Break up for half-term (normal times)
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	INSET Day
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2023	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
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