

Churchtown Chatter

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Newsletter 18

Friday 26th January 2024

Don't forget to follow us on:
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Throughout the school year, we raise money for different charities. We choose 3 charities each year and the children are involved in making the decisions. Children in Need is always a popular choice and has been on our fundraising calendar for a number of years. Thanks to your help we raised £362 in the Autumn term. The school council this year, along with the school councils from all Southport schools, have voted to raise money for Southport Foodbank. This fundraising event will take place on Friday 9th February, the last day of this half term (more details further down in the newsletter). Raising money for local charities gives the children a sense of belonging in their community and the importance of helping support others. We talk about this in our assemblies and children enjoy sharing other charities they have raised money for with their families, helping us all learn about different charities and needs. Thank you for your continued support with this.

Parents evening is coming up after half term, on Wednesday 13th March. We will send letters out about this over the coming weeks to allow you to book your time for the appointment.

Have a good weekend, Mrs Payne.

FRIENDSHIP & FAMILY

This half term, the value that Churchtown is developing is Friendship & Family. 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:

1st Place – Year 3 (97.3%) - awarded 2 points
2nd Place – Year 6 (96.42%) – awarded 1 point

This week's attendance champions are **Year 6 Cedar** for **excellent 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.

1st	340	Red Team
2nd	327	Blue Team
3rd	323	Yellow Team
4th	299	Green Team

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.

CAMP VENUES
TARLETON ACADEMY
ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

ONLY £20 per day

COMPETITIONS PRIZES CERTIFICATES

ENDEAVOUR HOLIDAY CAMP

MONDAY 12TH - FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

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

Open to 5 - 12 year olds

8.30AM until 4.30PM

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



Meols Cop High School



2024



DANCE FESTIVAL

On Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th February at 6pm, dancers from Year 5 and 6 will be taking part in the Meols Cop High School Dance Festival. They have been rehearsing each week since November and are very excited to share what they have been working on. Students from Meols Cop have been coming into Churchtown to lead the sessions and they have been working exceptionally hard with our pupils. If you would like to attend either performance, tickets are £4 each and can be purchased during the dance session on Tuesday 30th January, after school. If we sell all of our tickets, then you will be able to purchase further tickets from Meols Cop High School.

After School Clubs for Spring 2 Term

Information regarding our after school clubs for after the February half term will be available for parents/carers soon.

The clubs that will be available for your children to attend will be:

- Tag Rugby – Reception & Key Stage 1
- Football – Reception & Key Stage 1
- Yoga – Key Stage 1
- Outdoor Adventurous – Years 3 to 6
- Gymnastics – Year 3 & 4
- Tennis – Year 3 & 4
- Netball – Years 5 & 6
- Combat – Year 5 & 6

All clubs will start during the week commencing Monday 19th February 2024





Smarties / Jelly Tots Challenge



Our PTA would like to give you a yummy treat, so we're sending home these colourful sweets to eat!

Keep the tub don't throw it away, do tasks and good deeds to earn your pay.

So come on Churchtown, answer our call, so we can raise money for the good of our school!

FIRST PRIZE

£35 voucher for Playtown

SECOND PRIZE

£20 voucher for La Tabella

THIRD PRIZE

£10 voucher for Bubbles World of Play, New Brighton

Parents/Guardians,

Each child from Reception to Year 6 will receive a tube of smarties and then over the February half-term, the children should be encouraged to complete activities to earn 20p pieces or mixed coins to fill up their Smarties tubes. Children in Nursery will receive a tub of Jelly Tots and coins earned can be placed in there.

When you bring your tub back you will be entered into a raffle to win a prize!

Thank you for your continued support.

Tubes must be returned to class no later than Tuesday 19th February 2024.

WINNERS TO BE ANNOUNCED ON FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2024

National Storytelling Week

Dream up a world

National Literacy Trust

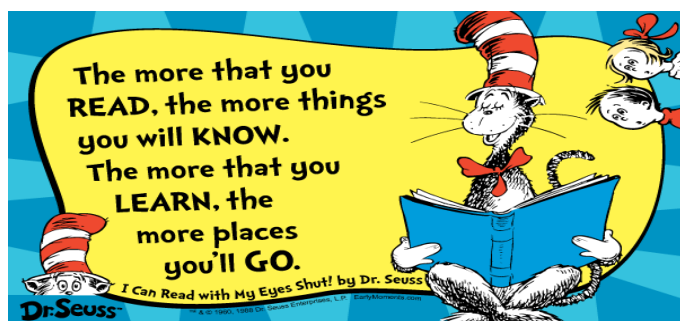
Change your story

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27th January to 4th February 2024

As part of National Storytelling Week and to mark this, all children and staff will be taking part in a 'reading swap'. On Monday 27th January 2024, our teachers will be visiting a different class to their own, to enable our children to listen to other adults who do not normally work within their year group, read them a story.



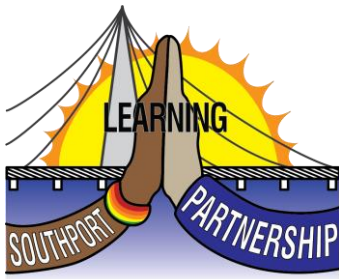
SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL VACANCY

Sefton Borough Council's excellent School Crossing Service is currently looking to recruit people to become School Crossing Patrols and School Crossing Standby Patrols.

We are appealing to Schools, Parents and Grandparents of our children that have a few hours to spare each week.

We offer £11.91 per hour plus travelling expenses where applicable. You would also be entitled to holiday pay plus a retainer fee when Schools are closed. There is no upper age limit.

If you, or anyone you know would be interested in becoming a Patrol please telephone the School Crossing Office on 0151 288 6154 in the first instance.



Love My Community 2024

Friday 9th February 2024

Our school is part of the Southport Learning Partnership where we work together with other schools on joint projects. Love My Community is a special day in the school year, where we join with other local schools to raise money for a charity chosen by the children of Southport.

This year the schools have chosen to support:



All we ask is that each child pays a **donation of £1** to join in with the day, with all funds raised being donated to the charity. **In return, they can wear 'non-uniform' for the day. Please pay through your ParentPay account.**

Many thanks for your help with this appeal and we hope together, we can all make a huge demonstration that we **Love our Community!**



Churchtown Football News



We recently took two teams to a Girls Futsal Tournament at Stanley High School, against 5 other schools. One of our teams ended as runners up. Congratulations to everyone, especially Sophie and Anna who won medals for epitomizing the ethos of the School Games.



Churchtown Primary School Term Dates - 2024-2025

Our 2024-2025 term dates are now available on our website –

<https://www.churchtown.org.uk/parent-and-carers/termdates>



Mrs Alderson began working at Churchtown Primary School in December 2014, working within the school kitchen as a kitchen assistant. Mrs Alderson has played a vital role in providing many enjoyable meals for all of our children to enjoy as well as ensuring that all lunch times run smoothly and effectively for all. Thank you, Mrs Alderson, for your contributions to our school and we wish you a healthy and happy retirement.



Date	Event
Monday 29 th January to Friday 2 nd February 2024	Storytelling Week
Tuesday 30 th January 2024	P.T.A. Meeting in The Lodge 7pm – all welcome to attend
Date	Event
Monday 5 th February 2024	Y5 Educational visit to Young Voices at the AO Arena, Manchester
Monday 5 th to Friday 9 th February 2024	Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 6 th February 2024	Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 6 th February 2024	Meols Cop High School Community Dance Festival – Year 5 & 6 at 6pm
Wednesday 7 th February 2024	Meols Cop High School Community Dance Festival – Year 5 & 6 at 6pm
Friday 9 th February 2024	Churchtown Charity Collection – Southport Learning Partnership: Love My Community to raise money for Southport Foodbank Non-uniform day – voluntary £1 donation
Friday 9 th February 2024	P.T.A. Smarties Challenge – more information to follow
Friday 9 th February 2024	Break up for half-term (normal times)
Monday 19 th February 2024	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Date	Event
Tuesday 5 th March 2024	Early Years & KS1 Theatre Trip to The Atkinson – 1.30pm
Thursday 7 th March 2024	World Book Day
Wednesday 13 th March 2024	School closes at 2pm Parents Evening from 2.30pm
Thursday 21 st March 2024	P.T.A. Spring Discos Year 3 & Year 4 – 6pm-7pm Year 5 & Year 6 – 7.30pm-8.30pm
Monday 25 th March 2024	Year 1 Educational Trip to Imagine That! Liverpool
Thursday 28 th March 2024	Easter Assemblies in St. Cuthbert’s Church
Thursday 28 th March 2024	Break up for Easter Holidays – 1.30pm
Date	Event
Monday 15 th April 2024	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Date	Event
May 2024	Nursery & Reception Educational Trip to Martin Mere
Date	Event
Monday 10 th & Tuesday 11 th June 2024	Year 4 Educational Trip to The Beatles Story, Liverpool
Monday 24 th June 2024	Year 2 Educational Trip to Blackpool Zoo
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