

Churchtown Chatter

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Newsletter 20

Friday 28th February 2025



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After the half term break, children have settled back into school extremely well. They have thoroughly enjoyed reconnecting with their friends and playing on the school playground in the short bursts of sunshine, which has made a welcome appearance this week. They have embarked on new, exciting learning and our curriculum overviews have been posted on the school website for each year group, along with the homework menu for relevant year groups for this half term. Please click <https://www.churchtown.org.uk/year-groups> to access this information and then select your child's year group.

We have been overwhelmed with the outpouring of kindness, generosity and support received from parents, the local community and from those across the country, as we start our journey to fundraise for the building of the new school playground. Each week, we will feature a piece in the newsletter to update you on the progress towards this. Together, we will be building this playground and the children are sure to love it. Thank you again for your support - we can feel it permeating into school. In the next couple of weeks, I will be sending out a letter to explain how all families can be involved in supporting with this. We are already so close to the half way mark, which is commendable after only one weeks' worth of fundraising!

Finally, to note two important things:

From next week, we will be rolling out our new menu, please see further details in the newsletter. The children have been involved in creating this new menu, with our Junior Leadership Team & School Council gathering children's opinions, which they have then fed back to our Lead Cook & Lead Lunchtime Supervisor to create a delicious new menu.

Secondly, please note the date of Parents' Evening at the end of this term: Wednesday 2nd April. School will close at 2pm.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Payne!

FUN & HAPPINESS

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



ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance champions are

Year 1 Squirrels (99%)!

The year group with the highest attendance this week is

Year 1 (97.2%)



2025/2026 Churchtown Primary School Term Dates

The term dates for the 2025-2026 academic year have been uploaded to our website.

Please click [here](#) to access them.



RSPB Beach Clean Saturday 22nd March From 10am until 11.30am

We will be meeting at the RSPB car park on Marine Drive (opposite Marshside Road).

All equipment will be provided such as litter pickers, gloves and bin bags etc., so all you need is yourselves and suitable footwear and outdoor clothing.



Easter Raffle

The P.T.A. are holding a raffle for the children in school to win Easter treats. Raffle tickets cost £1 and these can be purchased via ParentPay. The draw will take place on Thursday 3rd April.



Thursday 20th March 2025

Year 3 & Year 4 6-7pm
Year 5 & Year 6 7:30-8:30



£3

DJ, drinks and sweets included in price
Year 3 and Year 5 will enter & exit the disco through the Old Hall doors.

Year 4 and Year 6 will enter & exit through the Year 4 doors.



Entrance to the playground will be via the dining hall gate.

£3 payment per child, to attend the disco, is to be made via ParentPay prior to 20th March 2025.



Churchtown Primary School is supporting Red Nose Day 2025.

FRIDAY 21ST MARCH

Children can wear mufti clothes to school on Friday 21st March, along with Red Nose Day accessories.

Please no face paint or coloured hair.

A suggested £1 donation for Red Nose Day can be made via ParentPay.



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HARVEST FESTIVAL 2024

Thank you so much for all your support and donations with our Harvest Festival during October 2024. Collectively, we donated 210.4kg of food.

Your support of Compassion Acts has ensured that help and support has been provided for individuals in our community who are in crisis.

Thank you for your contribution and for being compassionate members of our community.

Richard Owens
Chief Executive Officer

Dympna Edwards
Chair of Trustees

Certificate of Appreciation

Churchtown Primary School

IN 2024

donated

210.4kg

to Compassion Acts

Thank you so much for your support!

COMPASSION ACTS

Richard Owens
Chief Executive Officer

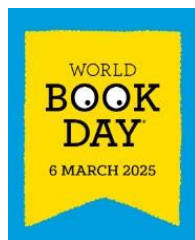
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Chair of Trustees

Date: 2024

World Book Day is on Thursday 6th March

Children have received their £1 book token, so they can experience choosing one of these books for FREE from their **nearest bookseller**. Your local bookseller might be on a

high street (Waterstones, The Works, WHSmith etc.) or could be a supermarket. The book tokens are valid from: Thursday 13th February 2025 until Sunday 23rd March 2025. To find out more information, please visit www.worldbookday.com/books-and-tokens



Our brilliant 2025 £1/£1.50 books



On World Book Day, your child can dress up as a character from their favourite story or wear their pyjamas.

Churchtown Football News

8 children from Year 2 were given the opportunity to take part in the Primary Football Year 2 Football Tournament in Partnership with Everton FC. The competition included 12 schools taking part in five 6-minute matches. The children who took part showed nothing but sportsmanship! They gave it their all and absolutely loved their time on the pitch – **well done!**



PIC-COLLAGE



Help us build a new playground in memory of Alice & Bebe.

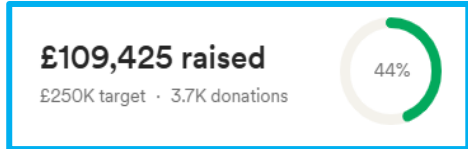
This new playground, which has been proposed by Alice’s parents as a way of honouring her memory, will serve as a joyful, healing space for all our pupils. It will be a place where they can do what children do best – play, explore and grow. Please donate what you can to help us create a playground that will carry their memories for years to come. We aim to raise £250,000, but we don’t want to stop there! Any additional funds will be distributed to local charities who are helping those affected by this tragedy.

How we are raising funds:

In memory of Alice and Bebe, a number of staff members and friends of Churchtown Primary School are taking part in the London Marathon and the Blackpool Festival of Running in April 2025. Alice’s father, Sergio is also running the London Marathon, alongside our Headteacher, Mrs Payne. In addition, members of staff from across the Endeavour Learning Trust, which Churchtown Primary School is a part of, are also running in memory of Alice and Bebe.

Please click on the following link to access our GoFundMe page for more information:

<https://gofund.me/6c767af5>



New Lunchtime Menu

We are excited to launch our new school lunchtime menu with effect from the week commencing Monday 3rd March. School lunches cost £2.50 per day (£12.50 per week), payable in advance on ParentPay. The menu will rotate on a three-weekly cycle – please see below for what will be served on each day.

ENDEAVOUR EATS					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	Beef Chilli with Boiled Rice Green Beans Vegetarian Quorn Mince Chilli Lemon Drizzle Cake	Chinese Sweet & Sour Chicken with Noodles Broccoli Vegan Quorn Sweet & Sour Fillet with Noodles Shortbread	Homemade Sausage Roll with Mashed Potatoes Beans Vegetarian Cheese & Onion Pasty with Mashed Potatoes Crepe with a Fruit Sauce	Roast Turkey and Finest Roast Potatoes served with Stuffing and Gravy Carrots, Peas and Cabbage Vegan Quorn Fillet and Finest Roast Potatoes served with Stuffing and Gravy Brownie	Fish and Chips Peas Vegetarian Burger and Chips Homemade Flapjack
Week 2	Ham and Cheese Panini with Tortilla Chips Carrot Sticks and Cucumber Vegetarian Cheese Panini Carrot Cake	Chinese Chicken Curry with Fried Rice Peas Vegan Quorn Fillet in a Curry Sauce with Fried Rice Banana and Toffee Sauce	Bolognese with Spaghetti & Garlic Bread Broccoli Vegan Vegetable Ragu with Spaghetti Ginger Biscuit	Roasted Gammon and Roast Potatoes served with Gravy Carrots, Peas and Cabbage Vegan Meatballs served with Vegan Gravy Scone with Jam and Cream	Fish and Chips Beans or Mushy Peas Omelette with Chips Oaty Crunch Biscuit
Week 3	Pizza Pocket with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks Chocolate Cake with Chocolate Custard	Homemade Chicken Korma Curry with Boiled Rice & Naan Bread Broccoli Homemade Vegan Korma Curry with Boiled Rice & Naan Bread Frozen Yoghurt	Butcher's Beef Burger in a Bun with Diced Potatoes Sweetcorn Vegetarian Quorn Burger in a Bun with Diced Potatoes School Cake	Butcher's Sausage, Mashed Potatoes and Yorkshire Pudding served with Gravy Peas Vegan Quorn Sausage and Mashed Potatoes Trifle	Fish Fillet and Chips Beans Vegetarian Garlic Mushrooms in a Creamy Sauce Homemade Cookie

CHURCHTOWN DELI

Wraps or Rolls with a selection of fillings: Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise with Salad and Vegetable Sticks

Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings: Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise with Salad and Vegetable Sticks

AVAILABLE DAILY



Date	Event
Thursday 6 th March 2025	World Book Day – dress up as a character from your favourite story or wear your pyjamas!
Monday 10 th March 2025	Y5 & Y6 RHSE Meeting for Parents via Zoom at 4.45pm
Wednesday 12 th March 2025	Reception Educational Trip to Windmill Farm
Thursday 13 th March 2025	'The Past Presents' to visit Y5 to carry out a Greek Day, linked to their Ancient Greeks topic
Friday 14 th March 2025	'The Past Presents' to visit Y5 to carry out a Greek Day, linked to their Ancient Greeks topic
Thursday 20 th March 2025	Visitor from the Islamic Faith – Early Years & Year 5
Thursday 20 th March 2025	P.T.A. Spring Discos – Y3 & Y4 – 6pm to 7pm Y5 & Y6 – 7.30pm to 8.30pm
Friday 21 st March 2025	Comic Relief/Red Nose Day – wear mufti clothes with a Red Nose Day accessory
Saturday 22 nd March 2025	RSPB Beach Clean Up! 10am to 11.30am. Meet at RSPB carpark (Marine Drive, opposite Marshside Road)
Wednesday 26 th March 2025	Y1 Rabbits Class Assembly – 2.30pm
Thursday 27 th March 2025	Y1 Squirrels Class Assembly – 2.30pm
Friday 28 th March 2025	Y1 Hedgehogs Class Assembly – 2.30pm
Monday 31 st March 2025	Open morning for prospective Nursery Snowdrops and Buttercups families
Wednesday 2 nd April 2025	School closes at 2pm Parents Evening from 2.30pm
Friday 4 th April 2025	Easter Assemblies in St. Cuthbert's Church
Friday 4 th April 2025	Break up for Easter Holidays – 1.30pm
Friday 18 th April 2025	Bank Holiday – Good Friday
Monday 21 st April 2025	Bank Holiday – Easter Monday
Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Monday 5 th May 2025	Early May Bank Holiday – School closed
Friday 9 th May 2025	Myfoto class photographs for all year groups
Monday 12 th May 2025	Y4 Educational Trip to The Beatles Story, Liverpool Y4 Maple Y4 Willow
Tuesday 13 th May 2025	Y4 Educational Trip to The Beatles Story, Liverpool Y4 Birch Y4 Pine
Thursday 15 th May 2025	Nursery Educational Trip to Martin Mere
Thursday 22 nd May 2025	Churchtown Summer Showcase – a celebration of the arts
Friday 23 rd May 2025	Y6 End of Year Celebration Trip

Friday 23 rd May 2025	Break-up for May half-term holiday (normal times)
Monday 2 nd June 2025	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Friday 20 th June 2025	Visitor from the Islamic Faith – Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3
Saturday 21st June 2025	Green Sefton Beach Clean Up! at 10am - more details to follow
Friday 20 th June 2025	Visitor from the Hindu Faith – Year 4 & Year 6
Monday 23 rd June 2025	Y2 Educational Trip to Blackpool Zoo
Friday 4 th July 2025	Y6 Leavers' Performance at The Atkinson
Thursday 17 th July 2025	Y6 Leavers' Assembly at St. Cuthbert's Church 9.30am Y6 Leavers' festival on the yard

- Text in red is a new addition to the calendar



Nursery Snowdrops (open 51 weeks of the year) – closure dates (2025)

CLOSED – Friday 18th & Monday 21st April 2025 (Good Friday and Easter Monday Bank Holidays)
 CLOSED – Monday 5th May 2025 (Early May Bank Holiday)
 CLOSED – Monday 26th May 2025 (Spring Bank Holiday)
 CLOSED – Monday 25th August 2025 (Summer Bank Holiday)



Butterflies Holiday Club.....
will be open to Churchtown Primary School Children on the following dates:

Monday 7th to Thursday 17th April 2025 – Easter Holidays
CLOSED – Friday 18th & Monday 21st April 2025 (Good Friday/Easter Monday Bank Holidays)
CLOSED – Monday 5th May 2025 (Early May Bank Holiday)
CLOSED – Monday 26th May 2025 (Spring Bank Holiday)
 Tuesday 27th to Friday 30th May 2025 – Half-Term Holiday
 Monday 21st July 2025 – INSET Day
 Tuesday 22nd July 2025 – INSET Day
 Wednesday 23rd July to Friday 29th August 2025 – Summer Holidays
CLOSED – Monday 25th August 2025 (Summer Bank Holiday)

Butterflies Holiday Club

Age: Nursery (Buttercups) – Y6
 Time: 7.30-5.30 Location: Dining Hall
 Entrance/Exit: Butterflies Door
 (previous F4K/BC entrance/exit)
 Price: £25
 Food: Snack provided school
 Packed lunch to be provided

OPEN ALL INSET DAYS