

# Churchtown Chatter

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**Newsletter 22**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025



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Children from across the school have enjoyed taking part in a number of exciting curriculum enrichment opportunities this week. On Wednesday, our Reception children enjoyed a visit to Windmill Farm. From feeding the young lambs, petting a variety of animals, getting to ride a train and hearing all about life on the farm (to name but a few of the activities), children had an action-packed day. All children demonstrated excellent behaviour and enthusiasm & were fantastic examples of what it means to be a pupil at Churchtown. Our Year 5 children have also enjoyed taking part in two days of workshops linked to their History topic of Ancient Greece. They have fully immersed themselves in each activity over the two days and each engaging workshop has helped to deepen their historical knowledge. Thank you for your support to ensure we are able to continue to provide these opportunities. In the newsletter, you will find an update regarding our fundraising efforts. As part of this, all children have received a letter to take home today outlining ways in which they can get involved and raise money should they wish to. From talking with children and their families, I am very aware that there have already been various fundraising activities that have taken place and this is absolutely incredible to hear. Thank you for continued support – it is very much appreciated.

Finally, information regarding booking an appointment for Parents' Evening on Wednesday 2nd April via School Cloud is outlined in the newsletter below. If you require any support with this, please contact the school office.

**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 2 Swans (99.2%) – well done!**

The year group with the highest attendance this week is .....  
**Year 2 (96.3%) – well done!**



## 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> April.



Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025.



Churchtown Primary School is supporting Red Nose Day 2025.

FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH

Children can wear mufti clothes to school on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 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](#).



Botanic Gardens Clean Up with Green Sefton  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March  
3.30pm to 4.30pm

Our Eco team would like to invite you to a Botanic Garden's Clean Up with Green Sefton on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025. We will be meeting next to The Fernery at 3.30pm. Litter pickers, bags and hoops to hold them open will be provided, though you may bring your own.

Please ensure you are wearing suitable outdoor clothing, gloves and sturdy footwear.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Your Eco Team!







## Butterflies Holiday Club

Bookings are now being taken for Butterflies Holiday Club for Easter

(Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> of April to Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup> of April 2025)

Closed Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> and Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> of April 2025

To book, please email:

[butterflieswraparoundcare@churchtown.org.uk](mailto:butterflieswraparoundcare@churchtown.org.uk) or call the school office on **01704 508500**.

The closing date for bookings is Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April

Age: Nursery (Buttercups) – Year 6

Time: 7:30am - 5:30pm

Location: Dining Hall Entrance/Exit: Butterflies Doors (previously F4K/BC entrance/exit)

Price: £25.00

Food: Snack will be provided by school and a packed lunch is to be provided by parent/guardian



We are proud to announce that Endeavour Learning Trust, which our school is a member of, was nominated for several awards at the National Multi Academy Trust Awards and they collected three awards for the following categories:

**Overall multi academy trust of the year**  
**Medium sized multi academy trust of the year**  
**Trust Leadership team of the year**

This is an outstanding achievement for our Trust and recognises the great work that they do.



## Churchtown Parents' Meetings Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025

**School closes at 2pm**

Parents' Evening is taking place on Wednesday 2nd April 2025 and this will be a face-to-face meeting in school. 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 1<sup>st</sup> April at 4pm.  
Buttercups Nursery bookings will close on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 4pm

The booking system can be accessed by clicking below: -  
<https://churchtown.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

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

## Mother's & Special Person's Day Sale

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March, the children will be given the opportunity to choose and purchase a small gift for a special person in their life (1 gift per child).



Gifts will cost £3 and must be paid for in cash on the day of the sale.

This event will be organised and led by the PTA. Please send all money in a named envelope as classes will visit the sale at different times throughout the school day. Money can be handed to staff in the classroom on the morning of the sale for safe keeping.



## 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.

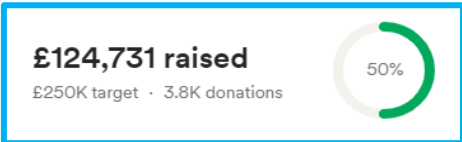
Please donate what you can to help us create a playground that will carry their memories for years to come. We aim to raise £250,000, but we don’t want to stop there! Any additional funds will be distributed to local charities who are helping those affected by this tragedy.

### 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>



# Snowdrops and Buttercups Nursery Open Mornings

**Monday 31st of March**  
9.30am start

**Wednesday 30th April**  
9.30am start

- Highly qualified staff
- Holistic learning approach
- Beautiful indoor and outdoor environment
- Forest School provision
- Snowdrops Nursery  
– Term Time only or all year round 7.30am – 5.30pm
- Buttercups Nursery – Term Time only 8.30am – 3.30pm  
(Wraparound provision available before and after school and Holiday club)



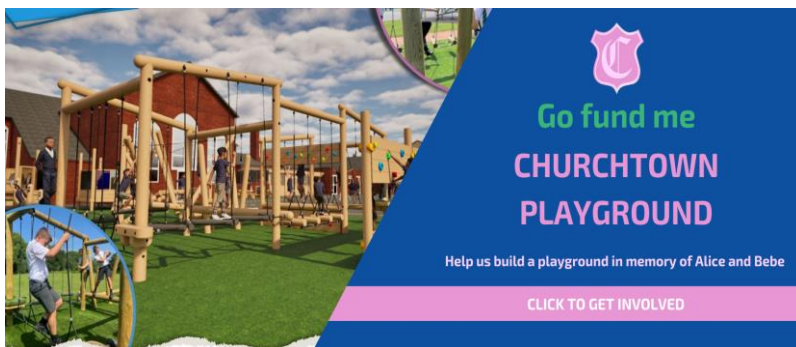
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AND NURSERY**

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Please click [here](#) to access copy letter on our website in relation to the ongoing fundraising and the opportunity for children to design a t-shirt for Mrs Payne to wear when she runs the marathon. There is also a sponsorship form for children to be sponsored to run laps of the school field with staff and Alice's father, Sergio, as well as participate in a dance-a-thon on the school playground.

# SHOW RACISM THE RED CARD SCHOOL 2025 COMPETITION

We have been overwhelmed by the hundreds of entries that we have received in response to the 'Show Racism the Red Card' competition and would like to thank all children for their superb efforts. The Junior and Senior Leadership Team had a very difficult task to select the winners from such a strong field of entries. After careful consideration, the winning school entries are as follows:

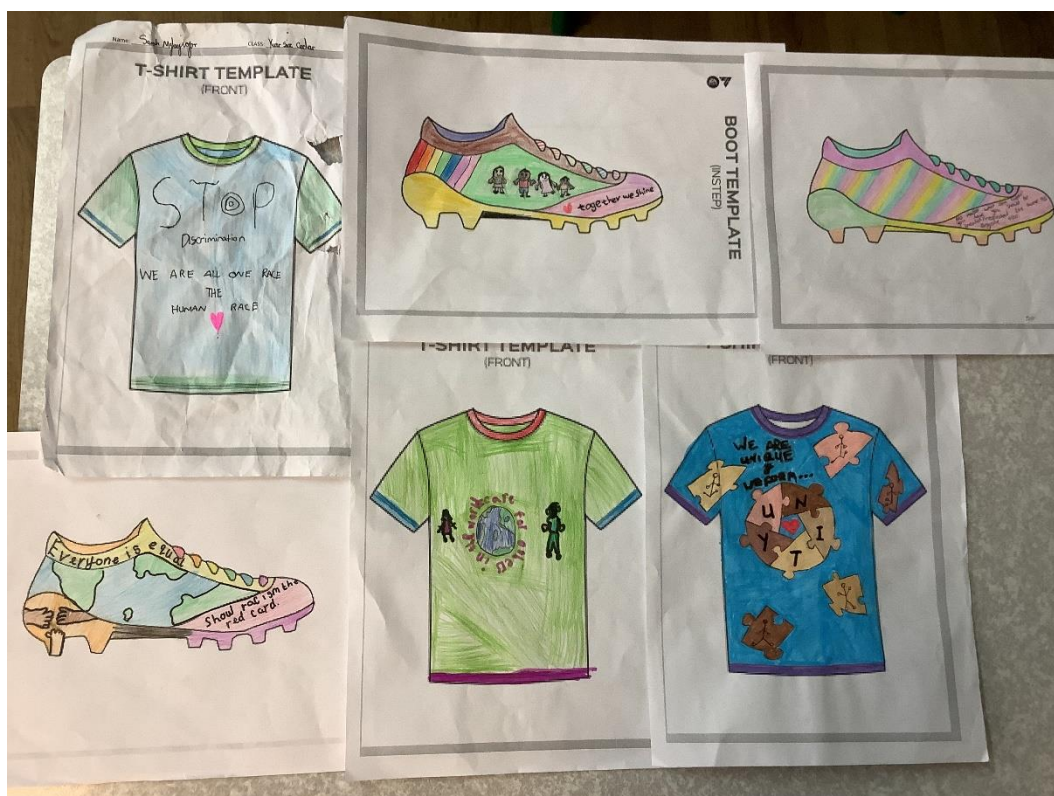
**KS1 – Anouk (Year 2)**

**LKS2 – Cian (Year 4)**

**UKS2 – Sarah (Year 6)**

Winning entries will receive a book prize next week for their amazing entries and sent off for national judging.

A few examples, including the winning entries, of the thoughtful designs received are below:





Date	Event
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Visitor from the Islamic Faith – Early Years & Year 5
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Visitor from the Hindu Faith – Year 4 & Year 6 (change of date)
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	P.T.A. Spring Discos – Y3 & Y4 – 6pm to 7pm Y5 & Y6 – 7.30pm to 8.30pm
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2025	Comic Relief/Red Nose Day – wear mufti clothes with a Red Nose Day accessory
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2025	RSPB Beach Clean Up! 10am to 11.30am. Meet at RSPB carpark (Marine Drive, opposite Marshside Road)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Y1 Rabbits Class Assembly – 2.30pm
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2025</b>	<b>Sefton Schools Swimming Gala at Dunes</b>
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Y1 Squirrels Class Assembly – 2.30pm
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Botanic Garden's Clean Up with Green Sefton – 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Y1 Hedgehogs Class Assembly – 2.30pm
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2025	Open morning for prospective Nursery Snowdrops and Buttercups families
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	School closes at 2pm Parents Evening from 2.30pm
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Easter Assemblies in St. Cuthbert's Church
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Break up for Easter Holidays – 1.30pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Bank Holiday – Good Friday
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	Bank Holiday – Easter Monday
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025</b>	<b>Reception, Y1 &amp; Y2 educational visit to The Atkinson to watch 'The Baddies' by Julia Donaldson</b>
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Early May Bank Holiday – School closed
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Myfoto class photographs for all year groups
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Y4 Educational Trip to The Beatles Story, Liverpool Y4 Maple Y4 Willow
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Y4 Educational Trip to The Beatles Story, Liverpool Y4 Birch Y4 Pine
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Nursery Educational Trip to Martin Mere
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2025	Churchtown Summer Showcase – a celebration of the arts
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Y6 End of Year Celebration Trip
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Break-up for May half-term holiday (normal times)

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Visitor from the Islamic Faith – Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2025	Green Sefton Beach Clean Up! at 10am - more details to follow
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025	Y2 Educational Trip to Blackpool Zoo
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Y6 Leavers' Performance at The Atkinson
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Y6 Leavers' Assembly at St. Cuthbert's Church 9.30am Y6 Leavers' festival on the yard
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### Nursery Snowdrops (open 51 weeks of the year) – closure dates (2025)

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



### **Butterflies Holiday Club.....**

**will be open to Churchtown Primary School Children on the following dates:**

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