

# Churchtown Chatter

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**Newsletter 24**

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025



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It has been another busy week in school this week. Parents were invited into school to watch the Year 1 assemblies and the children have thoroughly enjoyed showing off their knowledge and performance skills. We really hope you enjoyed the assemblies!

An enormous WELL DONE to our swimming team, who this week competed against other large Southport schools in the swimming gala. Individual children won medals, as well as our girls' team winning their competition. We are very proud of you all!

Please note that after the Easter holidays, we move to children having the option of wearing summer uniform. The uniform items are listed further down in the newsletter, with more information on the school website if required. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child(ren)'s name.

Thank you to the PTA for their work today selling gifts for Mother's Day/Special Person's Day gifts. Thought and time has gone into choosing the selection of gifts for children to purchase. The children have really enjoyed going to the 'set-up shop' in school and purchasing their gifts. We really hope you enjoy the chosen gifts and thank you for supporting this event in school. Have a lovely weekend all.

## 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 Hedgehogs (99%)!**

The year group with the highest attendance this week is .....

**Year 1 (98.3%)!**



**School closes at  
1.30pm**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April for the Easter holidays.**



# 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.



## 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

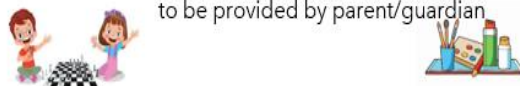
To book, please email: [butterflieswraparoundcare@churchtown.org.uk](mailto:butterflieswraparoundcare@churchtown.org.uk) or call the school office on 01704 508500.

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



### 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**



We would be grateful if you could take a few moments to complete our **school parental questionnaire**, if you have not already done so via Arbor: -

[Parental Questionnaire - April 2025](#)

All replies will be anonymous unless you feel the need to share your contact information.

**Many thanks.**



## 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>

**£277,736 raised**

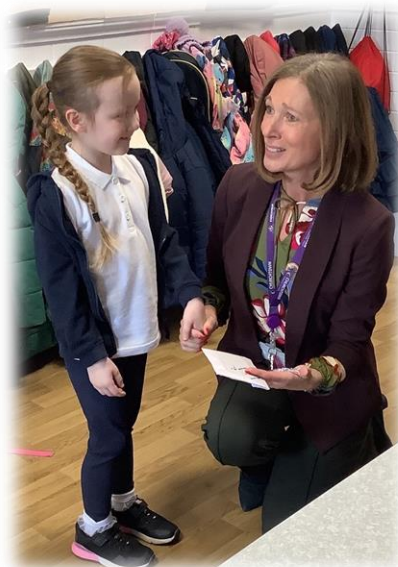
£250K target · 9.5K donations



We would like to say a very big thank you to Holly M in our Y2 Owls class who has raised an amazing £600 towards our Churchtown Playground fund.

Holly designed and made keyrings, which she then sold to raise the money. Her creativity has brought joy to others with the bright colourful designs that she has created. Her passion to support with raising the funds is evident for all to see.

**A very big thank you to you Holly and well done!**



# Summer School Uniform

Summer uniform starts after the Easter holidays. Children do have the choice of still wearing the winter uniform if they prefer. If your child chooses to wear a white shirt, a tie must be worn. If they choose the yellow polo shirt option, a tie is not worn.



## Summer Uniform

Grey shorts or trousers with yellow, plain or logo polo shirts

Yellow and white gingham dress

Or grey skirt with yellow, plain or logo polo shirt and white socks



## Winter Uniform

Churchtown Primary School V-neck jumper or cardigan

Grey long trousers

Grey skirt or grey pinafore dress

White, plain shirt suitable for school tie

School tie

Black, flat school shoes (no boots)



## In Nursery (Buttercups and Snowdrops)

Yellow polo shirt, navy jogging suit and black plimsoles



**WLSP**  
SWIM ACADEMY

Looking to boost your child's swimming skills over the Easter break?

Join our 4-day **EASTER INTENSIVE COURSE** to build water confidence and improve swimming techniques.

Sessions led by Danni from the West Lancashire School Swimming team

**WHY US?**

- 1-to-1 and small group sessions available
- Led by qualified and experienced swimming teachers who deliver on the West Lancashire School Swimming programme
- Fun & engaging learning experience
- Designed to get your child swim ready for summer

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE**  
**WED 2ND APRIL 2025**

[Click here for more information and to register your interest](#)

Monday 14th April - Thursday 17th April

Tarleton Academy Pool, PR4 6AQ

swimacademy@wlspace.co.uk

## Year 6 Leavers Hoodies



Order forms have been sent home with Year 6 children today, to enable them to order their Leavers Hoodie.

The children have tried on the various sizes that are available with their class teacher, so please check with them to see which size fitted them best.

**The deadline for payment to be made (via ParentPay) and for the order form to be returned to school is Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.**

## After School Clubs for Summer Term

Please see below for the after-school clubs that will be on offer for the Summer Term. These have been communicated via Arbor and the closing date to apply for a place for your child is next Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> April at 1pm. Please contact the school office on 01704 508500 if you require assistance with booking your child on.

### Summer Timetable - From the 22nd of April 2025 until 17th July 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	STARTING 22.04.2025 Netball with Lynne Barnett for Year 4, 5 and 6 children MUGA (12noon – 1.00pm) (12 WEEKS) (20 children) LUNCHTIME			
The Lodge gate will be open for all clubs at 4.20pm				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
STARTING 28.04.2025 Tennis with Megan Hyland Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 (15 Children) 3.20pm – 4.20pm 10 Weeks	STARTING 22.04.2025 WLSP Year 1 & 2 FOOTBALL 3.20pm – 4.20pm 12 Weeks	STARTING 23.04.2025 WLSP Year 3 and 4 Handball (20 children) 3.20pm – 4.20pm 12 Weeks	STARTING 24.04.2025 WLSP Tag Rugby Year 5 & 6 (20 children) 3:20pm-4:20pm 12 Weeks	
STARTING 28.04.2025 Crafty Wool Wizards Years 4, 5 and 6 with Mrs Straw 3.20pm – 4.20pm 6 Weeks	STARTING 22.04.2025 Netball with Lynne Barnett YEAR 4, 5 AND 6 (20 Children) 3.20pm – 4.20pm Playground/EY Classroom 12 Weeks	STARTING 23.04.2025 Dance FIT (Aerobics, Dance & Combat) YEAR 4 and 5 and 6 with Mrs Bartley (20 children) 3.20pm – 4.20pm EYFS HALL 12 Weeks	STARTING 24.04.2025 Hero Quest with Mr Bowen Year 5 (12 children) 3.20pm – 4.20pm Alder Classroom 5 Weeks (upto and including the 22nd of May 25)	
	STARTING 22.04.2025 Melody Makers with Mrs Watkinson Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 3.20pm - 4.20pm Music Room (25/30 children) 12 Weeks	STARTING 23.04.2025 Performing Arts with Mrs Hibbert (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) 3.20pm - 4.20pm Music Room (25/30 children) 12 Weeks	STARTING 24.04.2025 Cake Club with Mrs Langley (Reception) 3.20pm – 4.20pm Up to the 5th of June 2025	



# 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)



## CHURCHTOWN PRIMARY AND NURSERY



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# SEFTON SCHOOLS GALA

**What an amazing morning we had at the Southport Schools Swimming Gala!**

All the children involved showed amazing determination and fabulous team spirit at the event. It was lovely to see them cheering each other from the side of the pool, as well as competitors from the other schools taking part. We are thrilled to announce that not only did many of our swimmers come away with individual medals for their performances, but our girls' team won the competition!

**All children should be so proud of their achievements, just as everybody here at Churchtown is!**



Date	Date
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2025	Sefton professional vocalist to visit Y4
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!
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> to Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Churchtown Playground Relay

Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Whole school dance-a-thon
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	London Marathon
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2025	Reception, Y1 & Y2 educational visit to The Atkinson to watch 'The Baddies' by Julia Donaldson
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**



## *Junior Tennis* at North Meols

**JUNIOR CLUB NIGHTS**

**CLUB NIGHTS** are open to all members and none members for children aged between 4 - 16 years old.

Club nights take place on a Friday evening between 5 - 7 pm. The **5 - 6 pm session** is targeted towards the younger ones aged between **4 - 10 years** and the **6 - 7 pm session** will be more for the **11 - 16 years**.

However children and parents alike are encouraged to come down and stay for the full 2 hours where the bar will also be open for refreshments.

Junior club nights are completely **FREE** for members. None members are also entitled to **TWO FREE SESSIONS** before they would either be required to join or pay a £5 fee per session thereafter.

**CLUB NIGHTS WILL RETURN AFTER EASTER HOLIDAYS.**



For more information on any of the above please don't



# Kids Fun Tennis Camps



## *Junior Tennis* at North Meols

**KIDS FUN TENNIS CAMPS**

We will be running tennis camps from 9 am - 2 pm every day during school holidays in Easter and summer.


**MINI TENNIS**

These sessions are targeted at children aged between 4 - 10 years old. Mini tennis sessions run on Saturday's between 9 - 11.45 am.

**JUNIOR SQUADS**

These sessions are targeted at the slightly older juniors aged between 11 - 16 years.

We run 2 junior squads sessions during the week:  
One on a Monday at 6 - 7 pm for the 14 - 17 year olds and one on a Thursday at 6 - 7 pm for the 11 - 13 year olds.



North Meols Lawn Tennis Club  
Mill Lane Crescent, Southport, Merseyside PR9 7PF  
www.north-meols-ltc.co.uk  
mcshane\_danny@hotmail.com

Contact DANNY McSHANE on 07900 998 754

During this term, we have had tennis coach – Danny McShane – from North Meols Tennis Club at school offering children from Y2 & Y3 curriculum time coaching. These sessions have been great fun!

Danny will be running kids' tennis camps at North Meols during the Easter holiday. For more details please don't hesitate to contact him on 07900 998754.