



Churchtown Chatter

Imagine ... Believe ... Achieve...

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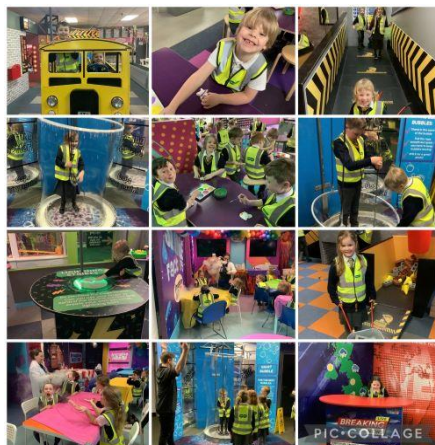
Thursday 28th March 2024



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We have had a very busy week at Churchtown starting with the Year 1 trip to Imagine That! on Monday. The children and staff thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The day saw all children taking part in a range of Art, Science and Role play activities and they had a fantastic time. As always, the children's behaviour was excellent and all of the staff returned to school feeling very proud. Year 1 parents can check their child's SeeSaw page for more photos.

The week ended with Easter Assemblies at St Cuthbert's Church, where the Chief Champions read Easter Poems, the choir performed Easter songs and the dancers who went to Meols Cop dance festival showcased their dance for us all to see. The church was full of colour, vibrancy, sound and sunlight this morning; a big well done to all!

Thank you for all your support with the PTA Easter Raffle and the school discos. We raised £653.49 at the disco and £560 with the raffle. This goes to help fund every child's educational visit this academic year.

The nursery consultation regarding the opening of a 2-year-old room is still live for one more week. If you would like to read more about this proposal on the school website, please click [here](#).

Finally, please remember that after the Easter break, children have the option to wear summer uniform if they choose (there is more information on this further down in the newsletter).

Have a lovely Easter break, Mrs Payne



We have updated the Parent and Carers Zone within the Pastoral and Safeguarding section on our website. This contains information on where support is available in the local area along with links to guidance: -

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



Easter Raffle

The winners of the P.T.A.

Easter raffle are

Finn D – Nursery Buttercups

Lacie M – Year 3 Oak

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets for the raffle. The P.T.A. have managed to raise £560.00, which is fantastic!



ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to all of our Year 3 classes (Oak, Ash, Fir & Elm) – you are the year group with the highest attendance for the spring term 2024!

Year 3 children will be rewarded with a film and ice-cream after the Easter holidays – well done!



Fiestaval: a modern foreign languages celebration at Greenbank High School!

On Wednesday 27th March, a group of Year 3 and Year 4 children from Churchtown participated in the Fiestaval at Greenbank High School. This is a modern foreign languages festival celebrated yearly to raise awareness of foreign languages in the Primary setting, enthuse the pupils and give them a deserved opportunity to showcase what they have learned.

Ten other local Primary schools took part, showing and celebrating the students' skills in modern foreign languages like Spanish and French. It was a fabulous event which reminded us about the greatness of learning other languages and cultures.

Our Year 3 and Year 4 students performed a role play, followed by a fun Spanish inspired dance. The role play reflected a situation in which a group of people meet for the first time and they have something in common: they all speak Spanish, they all come from different countries such as Spain, Mexico, Cuba, Colombia and Argentina - all Spanish speaking countries.

It was a really fun experience, which enabled our Year 3 and Year 4 children to put into practise all the Spanish language skills acquired for the last few months and to share it with other local Primary schools.

The time came to say *¡Adiós! Au Revoir!* to the Fiestaval for now, but we will see everyone again next year with more exciting performances.



Values Champions

Imagine ... Believe... Achieve

Once again, we have had lots of nominations for our Values Champions for 'Fun & Happiness'. Well done to all the children who were nominated. The overall winners are listed opposite and they will receive a book from Mrs Payne!

The Winners Are

Isabella J – Reception

Jack G – Year 1

George R – Year 2

Violent T – Year 3

Scarlett D – Year 4

Miruna A – Year 5

Henry H – Year 6





Churchtown Easter Holiday Club

Fun4Kidz Holiday Club is open to all children from Reception– Year 6 and runs from Tuesday 2nd April– Friday 12th April inclusive.

£24.50 per day (siblings £22.50)

The holiday club runs from 8am-5.55pm
Ofsted registered, all childcare vouchers accepted

Holiday club is a fantastic opportunity for children to:

- Have fun!
- Spend time with friends and socialise
- Take part in a variety of sports and team games
- Activities available include cooking, construction, a variety of craft workshops and free play
- Breakfast and a snack tea are provided (a packed lunch is required for lunch)



To book a place or for more information please contact us on

0151 932 9218, email

rebecca.scott@fun4kidz.org.uk or click on this link to make a booking

[Churchtown Easter 2024 Holiday Club - Google Forms](#)



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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

Yellow polo shirt, navy jogging suit and black plimsoles



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARD

During the spring term, 10 of our classes won the title of 'Attendance Champions'. Each class got to have the attendance bear 'Sergeant Snuggles' in their classroom for a week, as well as an attendance trophy and star on their classroom door. Our Attendance Champions were as follows:

- Week 1 – **Reception Sunflowers** for 100% attendance
- Week 2 – **Year 5 Alder** for the highest attendance in the school
- Week 3 – **Year 6 Cedar** for excellent punctuality
- Week 4 – **Year 3 Fir** for most improved attendance and team effort
- Week 5 – **Year 2 Robins** for excellent attendance
- Week 6 – **Year 1 Rabbits** for 100% attendance
- Week 7 – **Year 3 Ash** for the highest attendance
- Week 8 – **Year 6 Aspen** for a great effort with 99% attendance
- Week 9 – **Year 3 Elm** for their excellent attendance and 100% punctuality
- Week 10 – **Year 5 Beech** for the highest attendance



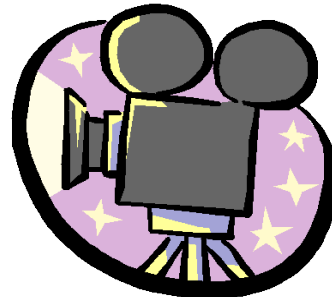
The children have loved having Sergeant Snuggles visit their classrooms and he has proved to be a successful attendance incentive.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARD

The year group with highest attendance for spring term 2024 is.....

YEAR 3 – WELL DONE!

Our year 3 children will be rewarded with a film and ice cream on Friday 19th April 2024.



Let's create some healthy competition and see if another year group can win the reward at the end of the summer term!

**We would like to stress that we do not expect children to come to school if they are poorly and acknowledge that some absences are unavoidable. Thank you for your continued support.*



Churchtown Primary School are looking to appoint a **part-time Midday Supervisor, on a permanent basis**, to ensure the safety, welfare and good conduct of students during the lunch break period. The successful candidate will also support in the preparation for and the clear up after the lunch period.

This would be an ideal opportunity for someone who is calm, approachable and punctual with a flexible attitude, a keen eye for detail and the ability and desire to be part of the team. By clicking on the link below you will be able to access more information, copy job description and the opportunity to apply for the role: -

<https://churchtown.org.uk/mid-day-supervisor>



HAPPY RETIREMENT



Mrs Wilson began working at Churchtown Primary School in June 2008 as a Midday Supervisor. Mrs Wilson has been responsible for the safety and welfare of the children during their lunch breaks as well as preparing for and clearing up after the lunchtime period. Mrs Wilson has been supportive of children of all ages during her time working at the school and we wish her well with her future endeavours.



Spring holiday Challenge 2024

<p>Activity 1 Get creative! Learn how to make an origami frog, butterfly and dog. Go to the website below and follow the step-by-step guide. https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/easy-origami-kids</p>	<p>Activity 2 Time capsule! Decorate a recycled box like a shoe box or similar. Think of things you can add that can be opened in 10 years' time. You could write a letter, write about the things you enjoy, put a newspaper in, put some of your favourite toys in. Seal it and hide it so it won't be opened until 2034! Have a look online for more ideas!</p>	<p>Activity 3 Be Active! Make an obstacle course by using cushions, tables, chairs etc. You can choose to jump, run or crawl from one obstacle to the next. Set challenges such as star jumps, a balancing act or throwing a soft object like a toy into a laundry basket at each obstacle.</p>	<p>Activity 4 Get Thinking! Find out lots of interesting Spring or Easter themed facts and why Easter is important to some people then create a quiz to share with family or friends. You could create a trophy for the winner.</p>
<p>Activity 5 Get Baking! Using chocolate, shredded wheat or cornflakes and some chocolate eggs, create your own edible nests or make some easter themed biscuits. https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/shredded-wheat-nests https://www.netmums.com/recipes/easter-biscuits</p>	<p>Activity 6 Make some petal perfume! Collect some flower petals and put them in a glass jar. Make sure you check what flowers you are allowed to pick (it might be better to collect the petals from the ground?) Follow the instructions from the website below. https://muddyfaces.co.uk/activities/art-creating/rose-petal-perfume</p>	<p>Activity 7 Get making! Hard boil several eggs and decorate them to create egg-cellent characters. You could paint them, stick things onto them or attach feet or arms? You could then turn your characters into an amazing egg themed scene, such as decorating eggs as farm animals and creating a farmyard all made from eggs.</p>	

Collect extra Children's University credits during the Spring holiday by completing this challenge. Each activity is worth 1 credit (unless stated otherwise) when you send evidence of your activity to me SeftonCU@elevate-ebp.co.uk This could be a photograph, video, a work sheet, or writing!

Support available over the Easter Holidays

Sefton Women's And Children's Aid - 0151 922 8606 or help@swaca.com
24hr National Domestic Abuse Helpline - 0808 2000 247
Childline - 0800 1111
NSPCC - help@nspcc.org.uk

Go to a chemist and ask for ANI (Action Needed Immediately)
ANI is a codeword scheme that enables victims of domestic abuse to discreetly ask for immediate help in participating pharmacies.

Online Safety

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Talk with your child about responsible use of their phone

Discuss what is okay and not okay to use their phone for. Talk about time limits and expectations of where the device can and cannot be used, this could include things like the phone being charged outside their bedroom overnight.

Discuss what to do if something upsetting or worrying happens

Give them the strategies they need in case something concerning happens whilst they are using their device. This could be to lock the screen and tell an adult, to make a report to the platform they are using, or to block the user.

Explore parental controls

Take a look at the controls available both on the phone itself and on your home Wi-Fi. Talk these through with your child too. Parental controls are a helpful tool, but an open conversation with your child is the most important thing.



Date	Event
Monday 15 th April 2024	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Monday 15 th April 2024	Year 5 Bikeability Level 1 / 2 course
Tuesday 16 th April 2024	Tempest Reception, Year 2 & Year 6 Class Photographs
Tuesday 16 th April 2024	Year 5 Bikeability Level 1 / 2 course
Wednesday 17 th April 2024	Year 5 Bikeability Level 1 / 2 course
Thursday 18 th April 2024	Year 5 Bikeability Level 1 / 2 course
Friday 19 th April 2024	Year 5 Bikeability Level 1 / 2 course
Date	Event
Monday 6 th May 2024	Bank Holiday – School closed
Monday 13 th to Thursday 16 th May 2024	Y6 SATs Week
Thursday 16 th May 2024	Nursery & Reception Educational Trip to Martin Mere
Friday 17th May 2024	Year 3 & Year 5 Science Shows
Wednesday 22 nd May 2024	Year 4 Birch & Pine Class Performance – 2.15pm
Thursday 23 rd May 2024	Year 4 Willow & Maple Class Performance – 2.15pm
Thursday 23 rd May 2024	Churchtown Performing Arts Showcase
Friday 24 th May 2024	P.T.A. Mufti Day
Friday 24 th May 2024	School closes for half term – normal times
Date	Event
Monday 3 rd June 2024	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Monday 10 th & Tuesday 11 th June 2024	Year 4 Educational Trip to The Beatles Story, Liverpool
Wednesday 12 th June 2024	Wally Cain Contemporary Dance Festival 2024
Week beginning 17 th June 2024	Sports week
Wednesday 19th June 2024	New to Nursery & Reception Parents' Evening
Thursday 20 th June 2024	Sefton Children's University Graduations (Year 2 & Year 6)
Monday 24 th June 2024	Year 2 Educational Trip to Blackpool Zoo
Tuesday 25 th June 2024	Year 3 Oak & Fir Class Performance
Wednesday 26 th June 2024	Year 3 Ash & Elm Class Performance
Date	Event
Friday 5 th July 2024	Year 6 Leavers' Performance at The Atkinson
Wednesday 10 th July 2024	P.T.A. Summer Discos Year 2 & Year 3 – 6pm-7pm

	Year 4 & Year 5 – 7.30pm-8.30pm
Friday 12 th July 2024	P.T.A. Mufti Day
Thursday 18 th July 2024	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly at St. Cuthbert's Church 9.30am Year 6 Leavers' festival on the yard
Friday 19 th July 2024	School closes at 1.30pm for end of term holiday
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