

Churchtown Chatter

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

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As we come to the end of Summer half term, I would like to commend the children on their determination and work ethic they have continued to display. This is evident in every year group, not just year 6, where they have had their SAT's tests. Children have clearly displayed the values of Fun and Happiness and Love of Learning in abundance this half term too. The Year 4 performances and Summer Showcase, which we held this week, have been true examples of embodying these values.

The Summer Showcase was a tremendous success! We celebrated the arts with amazing performances of dance, instrumental pieces, beautiful singing, captivating poetry readings, and a fantastic display of artwork by our talented pupils on the theme of 'Summer'. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the parents and families who came along to support and enjoy the evening with us. Your presence made the event even more special! A huge thank you to Mrs Watkinson for organising the event and for all staff who supported the children to be able to showcase their artistic talents.

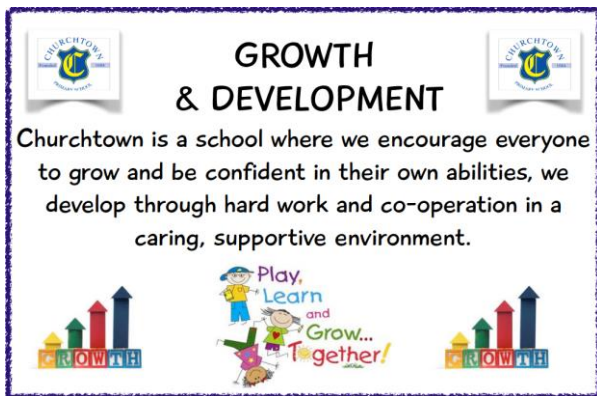
Below is an email from a parent, which we received today, thanking us for the event: -

"I'd just like to say a huge thank you to all of the staff who put on the Showcase last night. My wife and I saw our daughter performing and we really enjoyed the whole evening. We've had two daughters at the school since 2014 and they have both loved their time at Churchtown and it is because of events like this. As it was my child's final term, it was particularly nice to have a last chance to come into the school for a performance. Please pass on my thanks to all the staff who organised and supported".

Have a lovely half term holiday! Mrs Payne

GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

After half term, the value that Churchtown will be developing is Growth & Development. At the end of each half term, value champions will be nominated for each class.



GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

Churchtown is a school where we encourage everyone to grow and be confident in their own abilities, we develop through hard work and co-operation in a caring, supportive environment.

Play, Learn and Grow... Together!

ATTENDANCE

The year groups with the best attendance this week are:

1st Place – Year 6 (96.9%) - awarded 2 points
2nd Place – Year 5 (96.8%) – awarded 1 point

This week's attendance champions are **Year 6 Juniper** for their perfect 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.

1 st	522	Blue Team
2 nd	500	Green Team
3 rd	496	Red Team
4 th	487	Yellow Team

P.T.A. ICE POP FRIDAYS

are back by popular demand!

Members of the P.T.A. will be on the school play ground, after school, on the following Fridays, selling Ice Pops for 50p each:-

Friday 7th June

Friday 14th June

Friday 21st June

Friday 28th June



2-Year-Old Nursery Provision



At Churchtown, we have taken steps to meet the Government's new initiative to provide 15 hours per week of free childcare for working parents of two-year-olds. We are introducing a new nursery class named Snowdrops which is scheduled to open in September.

Snowdrops will offer year-round provision, available for 51 weeks per year.

Please click on the following link to read the article in relation to this: -

https://www.glocal.co.uk/southport/news_list/Primary_School_Supports_Working_Parents_in_Southport_With_Free_Childcare-55069625.htm

Would you be available for half a day each week, to further enhance reading opportunities for the children in our school?

As part of our continued efforts to raise the standards of reading in school, we are hoping to encourage parents, grandparents and carers to come into school on a voluntary basis to listen to some of our children read. You would be known as one of our **'Reading Angels'** and you would work with the same children, class and teacher each week, getting to know the children and watching them make progress.

We currently have five Reading Angels who support different year groups and we are looking to expand on this for the benefit of the children.

If you are interested in undertaking this role, please click [here](#) to access a copy of the volunteer form. Please complete this and return it to school. You will also be required to undergo a DBS check and references will also be requested on your behalf.

Please do not hesitate to contact our school office on 01704 508500 or by email to office@churchtown.org.uk if you require further information.

Reading Angels



Warm Weather Preparations

As we start to experience warmer and sunnier weather conditions, can we please remind our families to send their children into school with named sun hats for when they are outside playing or taking part in P.E. In addition, could you please apply sun cream before the school day for added protection.

Thank you for your co-operation!



Churchtown Football News



On Tuesday evening, our girls' football team completed their final round of fixtures in the Central League. The girls finished top of the league and have progressed to the Southport and Formby Finals to play for a place in the Merseyside Finals. Mr Bateman was exceptionally proud of the girls' achievements where they displayed

fantastic teamwork, skills and attitude to win the league without losing a game. We are extremely proud of the whole team and we wish them luck in the Southport and Formby finals which will be on a date to be decided.



SOUTHPORT FLOWER SHOW & MERSEYRAIL DESIGN-A-GARDEN COMPETITION 2024

Please click [here](#) to access full details and entry forms on our website

SOUTHPORT FLOWER SHOW & MERSEYRAIL DESIGN-A-GARDEN COMPETITION 2024



Southport Flower Show is inviting all Junior Schools - Years: 3, 4, 5 & 6 to get creative. We are looking for an exciting garden design to be built and showcased in our hugely popular Show Gardens area of the Show.

Southport Flower Show is the UK's largest independent flower show attracting over 55,000 visitors across 4 days. Do you have what it takes to design a winning garden? Why not have a try and submit an entry!



The paper designs are judged by a team of gardening specialists and horticulturists. One winning design will be selected.

Simply fill in the Entry Form and let us have your design by Friday 21st June.



2022 joint-winning school's design

The Schools Design-a-Garden Competition winner, their family and teachers will be invited as our special guests to the Show for the presentation. We will also be donating £200 gardening vouchers to the winning school to enhance their school ground and setting.

Professional landscapers will bring the winning design to life as a show garden ready to be unveiled at this year's Show, which runs from Thursday 15th to Sunday 18th August 2024.



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 01704 547147 OR EMAIL INFO@SOUTHPORTFLOWERSHOW.CO.UK

Churchtown Primary School Sports Day Information

(please remember to send your child with a sun cap, sun lotion and a bottle of water)



Monday 17 th June	9.30am – Year 4 Sports Day 1.30pm – Year 6 Sports Day
Tuesday 18 th June	1.30pm – Nursery Sports Day
Wednesday 19 th June	1.30pm – Year 1 & Year 2 Sports Day
Thursday 20 th June	1.30pm – Reception Sports Day
Friday 21 st June	9.30am – Year 3 Sports Day 1.30pm – Year 5 Sports Day

Members of our P.T.A. will be present at Y1 through to Y6 Sports Day events selling water and juice for you to purchase.



Thank you to everyone that took part in our **Southport beach clean with Green Sefton**. We had 35 people including children, parents and staff who collected around 12 big bags of rubbish from Southport beach. The children found items such as a slipper, a car tyre and a cat carrier! **Well done to all!**



PIC-COLLAGE

Values Champions

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Once again, we have had lots of nominations for our Values Champions for 'Skills for Life'. 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

Tommy D – Reception
 Aria B – Year 1
 Heath G – Year 2
 Amelia L – Year 3
 Aiden P – Year 4
 Daisy S – Year 5
 Grace H – Year 6



SKILLS FOR LIFE



At Churchtown we foster independence, determination and perseverance to build skills for life helping our children become confident and ambitious young people.







Euro 2024 May half term Challenge

<p>Activity 1 Flags! Find out which teams are taking part in Euro 2024 and pick 5 countries and draw/colour their flags and write a couple of facts about each one next to their flag Groups Table & Standings UEFA EURO 2024 UEFA.com</p>	<p>Activity 2 Food! There are 24 countries competing in Euro 24. Why not look for a traditional recipe of one of the competitors? You could make Italian pizzas, Belgian Waffles, French Croque Monsieur... it is up to you! There are some ideas here 25 Traditional European Recipes - Insanely Good (insanelygoodrecipes.com)</p>	<p>Activity 3 Art! Many famous artists are from some of the countries competing in the Euro's. For example Van Gogh – Netherlands, Picasso – Spain, Monet – France. Choose an artist and re-create one of their famous works of art.</p>	<p>Activity 4 Maps and Maths! The Euro's are taking place in 10 stadiums across Germany. See if you can draw a map of Germany with all the stadiums plotted and then work out the total seating capacity of all 10 stadiums... This link will help EURO 2024 host cities: Venue guide UEFA EURO 2024 UEFA.com</p>
<p>Activity 5 Design! Get your creative hat on and design a new kit for one of the countries taking part in Euro 24. OR... design a new mascot to represent your chosen country, the Euro's mascot is a traditional German Teddy Bear called Albat Euro 2024 Mascot: Everything You Need to Know (uefaeuinfo.com) what will you choose?</p>	<p>Activity 5 Active! Get yourself as fit as a footballer! Create a workout of 10 different moves lasting 1 minute each. Complete it every day over the holidays. Include different activities such as running, jumping, plank, bear crawls, squats etc See if you can do more reps of each exercise by the end of the week!</p>	<p>Activity 6 Languages! Choose 10 of the countries competing (not including England) and see if you can find out how they say the following words in their language: Hello Goodbye Please Thank you Football</p>	

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



Churchtown Primary School



Thank you to all of the children who participated in the **Summer Showcase Art Competition!** The effort and hard work that the children have put into their creations has been absolutely outstanding!

All of the artwork has been displayed on the main corridor in school and this was viewed by families who came to see the **Summer Showcase.**

The judging of the artwork was extremely difficult, however we did manage to choose our winners and these are: -

- Nursery Buttercups – Alexander O**
- Reception Bluebells – Amber W**
- Year 1 Rabbits – Flori V-G**
- Year 2 Owls – Autumn L**
- Year 3 Oak – Coby D**
- Year 4 Maple – Luke P**
- Year 5 Beech – Isabella I**
- Year 6 Aspen – Holly M**

Support available over the half-term 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 3 rd June 2024	Back to School – Rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Monday 3 rd to Friday 7 th June 2024	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)
Tuesday 4 th June 2024	Year 1 Pirate Dress Up Day – more information to follow
Thursday 6 th June 2024	Scholastic Book Fair – after school
Friday 7 th June 2024	Scholastic Book Fair – after school
Friday 7 th June 2024	P.T.A. Ice Pop Friday
Monday 10 th June 2024	Scholastic Book Fair – after school
Monday 10 th & Tuesday 11 th June 2024	Year 4 Educational Trip to The Beatles Story, Liverpool
Tuesday 11 th June 2024	Scholastic Book Fair – after school
Wednesday 12 th June 2024	Wally Cain Contemporary Dance Festival 2024
Wednesday 12 th June 2024	Football – A Team representing Liverpool FC in the Primary Stars Final at Brentford FC
Friday 14 th June 2024	P.T.A. Ice Pop Friday
Monday 17 th June 2024	9.30am – Year 4 Sports Day 1.30pm - Year 6 Sports Day
Tuesday 18 th June 2024	1.30pm – Nursery Sports Day
Tuesday 18 th June 2024	P.T.A. Meeting in The Lodge – 7pm – all welcome to attend
Wednesday 19 th June 2024	New to Nursery & Reception Parents’ Evening
Wednesday 19 th June 2024	1.30pm – Year 1 & Year 2 Sports Day
Thursday 20 th June 2024	Sefton Children’s University Graduations (Year 2 & Year 6)
Thursday 20 th June 2024	1.30pm – Reception Sports Day
Friday 21 st June 2024	9.30am – Year 3 Sports Day 1.30pm – Year 5 Sports Day
Friday 21 st June 2024	P.T.A. Ice Pop Friday
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
Thursday 27 th June 2024	Year 6 Sefton High School Transition Day
Friday 28 th June 2024	P.T.A. Ice Pop Friday
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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