

Churchtown Chatter

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Newsletter 4

Friday 26th September 2025



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A Royal Visit to Remember

What a week it has been at Churchtown Primary! We were honoured to welcome the Prince and Princess of Wales to our school, an occasion that will live long in the memories of our children, staff, and families.

Their Royal Highnesses have shown particular interest in our school's journey since the tragic events of summer 2024. Their visit was not only a recognition of the challenges we have faced together, but also a celebration of the strength, resilience and hope that have carried our community forward.

The children were so excited to share their experiences and to sing together as a whole school to welcome the Prince and Princess of Wales. They particularly enjoyed celebrating our new playgrounds and were very interested in all the different areas designed for children to enjoy. It was heartwarming to see the children's pride shining through. For our school, this was more than just a visit – it was a moment of encouragement, reminding us all of how far we have come and of the bright future that lies ahead.

We are deeply grateful to the Prince and Princess of Wales for taking the time to be with us and for recognising the spirit of Churchtown Primary.

This visit has truly reminded us that, together, our community can overcome challenges, celebrate achievements and continue to grow stronger every day.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Payne!





Everyone welcome
Grab a bargain or just
a slice of cake!

Churchtown PTA

TABLETOP SALE

Pick up some bargains and help
raise money for Churchtown
Primary School



**25
OCT** | St Cuthbert's Village Hall
10am - 2pm
TEA & COFFEE. CAKES. TOMBOLA.

**FREE
ENTRY**



Churchtown Primary School Open Mornings

We would like to invite prospective pupils and their families to our Open Mornings. This is a great opportunity to take a look around Churchtown Primary, meet our staff and current pupils. The Open Mornings will start at 9.30am prompt at the main school entrance (school office).

Booking for this event is essential as we have limited spaces for each Open Morning. To reserve your space, please visit our website:

<https://churchtown.org.uk/>

or contact our school office on **01704 508500** or email us at office@churchtown.org.uk

Available dates are:

**Friday 10th October 2025, Friday 7th November 2025,
Wednesday 3rd December 2025 & Thursday 8th
January 2026**



Apply for your
secondary school
place

Arrangements for admission to secondary schools September 2026

For all children in Year 6, it is now time for you to apply for your child's place at a secondary school for Year 7, September 2026 entry.

Please click [here](#) to access a copy of the letter on our website titled: **'Secondary Admissions – September 2026'**.

Further information can also be found on:

<http://www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool>

Sefton's online application for secondary schools is open from 1st September 2025 until the **national closing date of 31st October 2025** for you to submit your application.



CHRISTMAS DESIGNS 2025

It's that time of year when the children will be creating their special Christmas designs in school to be transferred onto a range of professionally printed Christmas cards, A3 poster calendars, tea towels, mugs, gift labels, tote bags and much more.

Your child will be sent home with their completed design on Friday 10th October 2025.

Please complete the form on the reverse of your child's artwork and return it to school by **Friday 17th October** – you will not need to place an order at this stage. The P.T.A. will then forward the children's designs to Xmas4schools. Once they have received your form, they will send you a text and an email containing your order link, which you can follow to your child's ordering portal. From here, you can place your order and make payment.



Harvest Festival Week

Autumn is here once again!

The week beginning 29th September is Harvest Celebration Week.

Working with organisations in our local community is an important part of life here at Churchtown Primary School. We are very proud of the work that our children do in supporting local and worldwide organisations in different ways across the year.

Following on from previous years successful food donations for The Southport Foodbank we are again working in partnership with them this year for our Harvest Festival. Children throughout the school will be asked to bring in food donations from the list below that will be collected by the Foodbank and distributed to those who require a helping hand within the local area.

As part of our Harvest Festival Celebrations, we will also be holding assemblies at St. Cuthbert's Church for all children in their Buddy Assembly Groups on **Friday 3rd October.**

How to make your food donation

Food items can be dropped off at St. Cuthbert's Church between:

3:00pm – 3:45pm on Thursday 2nd October 2025

8:00am – 8:45am on Friday 3rd October 2025

If you have any problems with dropping food off at St. Cuthbert's Church, then children can bring it into school with them on the day.

Thank you for your help with this celebration and time to think about others.

The following items make up a typical food parcel, which means that they are the best items to donate:

Cereal
Soup
Pasta
Rice
Tinned tomatoes/pasta sauce
Lentils, beans and pulses
Tinned meat
Tinned vegetables
Tea/coffee
Tinned fruit
Biscuits
UHT milk
Fruit juice

Foodbanks also accept additional items that are not on the standard packing list and these are then included in parcels as treats.





Butterflies Holiday Club



INSET DAY – Holiday Club will be open on Friday the 24th of October

October Half Term: Monday the 27th of October to Friday the 31st of October

Please place your booking via the ARBOR APP

Please ensure that your ARBOR account is topped up prior to booking onto this service

Age: Nursery (Buttercups) – Year 6 **Time:** 7:30am – 5:30pm **Location:** Dining Hall Entrance/Exit: Butterflies Doors

Price: £30.00



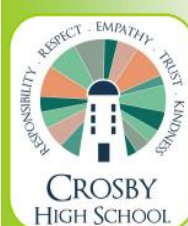
Food: Snack will be provided by school and a packed lunch is to be provided by parent/guardian



National Poetry Day Homework – 2/10/25

Thursday 2nd October will be **National Poetry Day** and this year's theme is **'Play'**.

National Poetry Day is an annual, national celebration that encourages everyone to create, experience and share poetry with family and friends. To mark this special day, like last year, children at Churchtown Primary School will take part in a poetry competition. Children should write their poem in their homework books (or sheets provided) based around this year's theme and winners will be selected from each year group. The poems can be in any form, from a haiku to an acrostic poem, we just want pupils to get creative!



Open Day Schedule 2025-26

Contact: Paula Morgan
Crosby High School, De Villiers Avenue,
Crosby, L23 2TH Tel: 0151 924 3671
Email: paula.morgan@crosbyhigh.org
if you require further information or wish to book an
alternative appointment

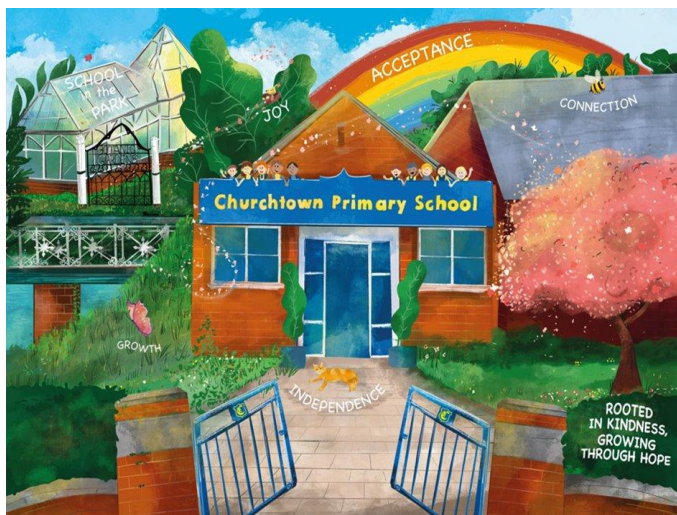


30th September 2025
2nd December 2025
19th March 2026
14th May 2026
18th June 2026



Tours are at
1.00pm and 2.00pm





Values



• Independence

Being self-directed and self-determined — having the confidence to carry out tasks independently, take responsible actions, and be accountable for our choices, all while feeling safe and supported in our environment.

• Connection

Being part of a happy, loving community where positive relationships are built through knowing, supporting, and respecting one another — where we feel valued, learn how to mend friendships, and create meaningful connections by being respectful to all.

• Growth

Growth comes from facing challenges with resilience, knowing that it's okay to find things difficult — because with purpose, determination, and something to strive for, we learn, improve, and become stronger.

• Acceptance

Embracing who we are and valuing others for who they are — celebrating diversity and creating a community where everyone feels they belong.

• Joy

Grows through purposeful, active learning and a broad, balanced curriculum full of variety — creating space for play, shared experiences, and the simple recognition that making time for fun brings energy, connection, and balance to life.



**Apply
Now**

PARENT COUNCILLOR VACANCY

We are looking for a Parent Councillor to join our Local Academy Council.

As a Parent Councillor, you will help guide school decisions, champion pupil success, and strengthen our community. Your valuable time will make a big impact!

If you are interested, please click the Apply Now button for further information.

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ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance champions are:

Year 3 Oak for 99.3% attendance!

The year group with the highest attendance this week is:

Year 6!

**Well
Done**



Date	Event
Thursday 2 nd October 2025	National Poetry Day
Friday 3 rd October 2025	Harvest Assemblies in Church
Friday 10 th October 2025	World Mental Health Day

Friday 10 th October 2025	9.30am - Churchtown Primary School Open Morning for prospective families
Friday 10 th October 2025	Children's Christmas Card design sheets to be sent home
Thursday 16 th October 2025	Myfoto – individual/sibling photographs
Friday 17 th October 2025	Myfoto – individual/sibling photographs
Friday 17 th October 2025	Children's Christmas Card design sheets to be returned to school. More information to follow regarding the ordering process.
Wednesday 22 nd October 2025	School closes at 2pm Parents Evening from 2.30pm
Thursday 23 rd October 2025	Break up for half-term (normal times)
Thursday 23 rd October 2025	Y6 height & weight check
Friday 24 th October 2025	INSET Day (Butterflies & Snowdrops will be open)
Monday 3 rd November 2025	Back to school – rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Friday 7 th November 2025	9.30am - Churchtown Primary School Open Morning for prospective families
Wednesday 3 rd December 2025	9.30am - Churchtown Primary School Open Morning for prospective families
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Nursery Snowdrops (open 51 weeks of the year) – closure dates (2025/2026)

CLOSED – Monday 22nd December to Friday 26th December 2025 (Christmas Holidays) – re-open Monday 29th December

CLOSED – Thursday 1st January 2026 (New Year's Day Bank Holiday)

CLOSED – Friday 3rd & Monday 6th April 2026 (Good Friday and Easter Monday Bank Holidays)

CLOSED – Monday 4th May 2026 (Early May Bank Holiday)

CLOSED – Monday 25th May 2026 (Spring Bank Holiday)

CLOSED – Monday 31st August 2026 (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: £30.00

Food: Snack provided school
Packed lunch to be provided

OPEN ALL INSET DAYS

Butterflies Holiday Club.....

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

Friday 24th October 2025 – INSET Day

Monday 27th to Friday 31st October 2025 – Half-Term Holidays

Monday 29th December to Friday 2nd January 2026 – Christmas

CLOSED – Thursday 1st January 2026 (New Year's Day Bank Holiday)

Monday 5th January 2026 – INSET Day

Monday 16th to Friday 20th February 2025 – Half-Term Holiday

Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April 2026 – Easter Holidays

CLOSED – Friday 3rd & Monday 6th April 2026 (Good Friday and Easter Monday Bank Holidays)

CLOSED – Monday 4th May 2026 (Early May Bank Holiday)

CLOSED – Monday 25th May 2026 (Spring Bank Holiday)

Tuesday 26th to Friday 29th May 2026 – Half-Term Holiday

Monday 20th July 2026 – INSET Day

Tuesday 21st July to Friday 28th August 2026 – Summer Holidays

CLOSED – Monday 31st August 2026 (Summer Bank Holiday)