

Churchtown Chatter

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Newsletter 7

Friday 17th October 2025

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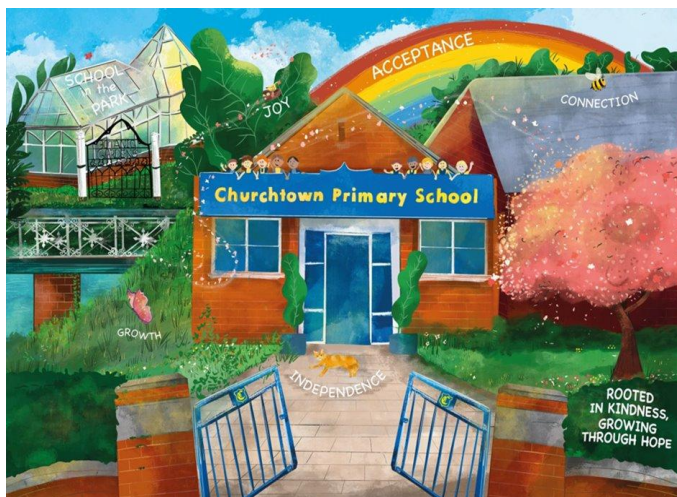
In this week's newsletter, you'll find photographs of our Junior Leader Team and School Council. The Junior Leader Team were voted in by the whole school after writing and performing speeches to their classes, which were filmed and shared for the voting process. They were officially introduced to everyone during our Harvest assemblies at St Cuthbert's Church.

The team also form part of our School Council, alongside nominated representatives from Year 5. The School Council meet weekly with Miss Doran, and I join them as Headteacher from time to time. We are currently supporting the Shoebox Appeal, and information about this has already been shared. We would love your support with this wonderful cause, which helps bring gifts to children around the world who may not otherwise receive a present at Christmas.

This week, the School Council also attended a musical performance of *Singing in the Rain* at Ormskirk School. They represented our school beautifully and thoroughly enjoyed the experience of seeing a live performance, which they described as very professional and inspiring.

In the coming weeks, our Junior Leaders and School Council members will also be helping at our Open Mornings, proudly showing prospective parents around our school.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Payne!



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.

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance champions are:

Y4 Willow for 100% attendance!

The year group with the highest attendance this week is:

Year 4!





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 7th November 2025, Wednesday 3rd December 2025 & Thursday 8th January 2026



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





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.

Scholastic Book Fair – 22nd/ 23rd October & 3rd/4th November



We are excited to welcome the Scholastic Book Fair back to our school on the following dates:

- **Wednesday 22nd October (open throughout Parents' Evening)**
- **Thursday 23rd October (3.20-3.50pm)**
- **Monday 3rd November (3.20-3.50pm)**
- **Tuesday 4th November (3.20-3.50pm)**

The Book Fair will be held in the Old Hall and will run from 3.20-3.50pm each day (excluding Wednesday 22nd, with the fair being open throughout parents' evening).

Please note, the book fair is cashless and to enable you to purchase a book, please bring a credit/debit card and a mobile phone as all sales are made via a QR code.

20% of the book titles are under £5 and there are a range of texts to purchase.

Every book purchased helps to earn 'Scholastic Rewards' for our school to allow us to purchase new books.

Thank you for your support.



INSET DAY REMINDER

Please be reminded that School will be closed on Friday 24th October 2025 for an INSET Day.

School will re-open on Monday 3rd November.

Butterflies Holiday Club and Snowdrops Nursery will be open on Friday 24th October 2025



Churchtown Parents' Meetings

Wednesday 22nd October

School closes at 2pm

You will be able to book your parents' evening appointment via Arbor from **Wednesday 8th October 2025 at 4pm** and this will close on **Tuesday 21st October 2025 at 4pm**.

The appointments are referred to as 'Guardian Consultations' on Arbor and this will be visible on your homepage on the Arbor app, along with a note of the date and times that appointments are available. Click on this to access the booking page and select the meeting time that you wish to book from the drop-down button, making a note of which guardians will be attending. You should then press 'Book time slot' at which time the page will reload and show that your booking has been successful. You will be sent an email confirming the date and time of your appointment.

You can edit your booking by returning to the page and clicking on your booking and selecting 'Reschedule Meeting'. Should you require any support or assistance with booking your appointment, please contact the school office on 01704 508500. We are happy to help with any queries and look forward to seeing you in school for parents evening appointments.

Introducing our Churchtown Primary School.....

Chief Champions



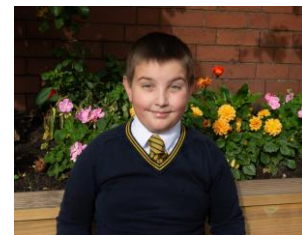
Scarlett



Evie



George



Freddie

& Junior Leaders



Ellie



Sam



Carys



Reuben



APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE

Is your child born on or between
01/09/2021 and 31/08/2022?

If so, your child is due to start
school September 2026!



**You MUST apply for a school place
online before 15 January 2026**

For more information or to make an
application, scan our QR code or go to
www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool



sefton.gov.uk 0151 934 3590
admissions@sefton.gov.uk



Admission to Reception: September 2026

Please click [here](#) to access further information in
relation to this on our school letters page on our
website titled 'Arrangements for Admission to
Reception – September 2026'.

GOOD BYE and GOOD LUCK



Thank you to both Miss Hayes and Miss Appleby who
both worked in Snowdrops, but have now moved on to
new roles in different nurseries. They helped set up
the Snowdrops provision and welcomed lots of
families into the nursery. Being key workers, they were
fully involved in the development of their key children
and informing their adults of their progress. We wish
them well in their new roles.

WELCOME

We would like to give a very warm welcome to Miss Kerr
and Miss Taylor who have recently joined our
Snowdrops staff team. Already, they have made a really
positive contribution to the room and the children and
staff really appreciate them being a part of our dynamic
team.



Introducing our School Council



We would like to introduce you to our School Council.
They are a group of pupils who act as representatives
to voice pupil opinions and work with the school to
improve the school environment. They discuss many
topics including fundraising, taking on projects and
life skills such as problem-solving.

They meet every Monday in
school and this week they
discussed the launch of our
Shoebox Appeal.



Allergy Aware School



Please could we remind all
parents that we are a
'**Nut Aware**' school and as such
we ask that you do not send your
child into school with any nut-
based product for a snack or for
packed lunch – this includes

products that may contain traces of nuts. Potential allergens
could include the following:

- Spreads, e.g. chocolate spread
- Cereal bars
- Some types of biscuit containing nuts
- Condiments, e.g. satay sauce
- Cakes containing nuts
- Some snack pots containing nuts
- Items containing peanut butter

It is important that you check the labelling of food products
before sending your child into school with them – it is not
always apparent that products contain nuts or traces
of nuts.

Please note: where a member of staff notices a pupil eating a
nut product, the product will be removed politely and the
member of staff will explain why this has to be done.



Date	Event
Wednesday 22 nd October 2025	Scholastic Book Fair – in the Old Hall during parents' evening
Wednesday 22 nd October 2025	School closes at 2pm Parents Evening from 2.30pm
Thursday 23 rd October 2025	***CANCELLED*** P.T.A. Mufti Day/optional fancy dress
Thursday 23 rd October 2025	Y6 height & weight check
Thursday 23 rd October 2025	Break up for half-term (normal times)
Thursday 23 rd October 2025	Scholastic Book Fair – after school in the Old Hall
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!
Monday 3 rd to Friday 7 th November 2025	Children's Book Week
Monday 3 rd November 2025	Scholastic Book Fair – after school in the Old Hall
Tuesday 4 th November 2025	Scholastic Book Fair – after school in the Old Hall
Friday 7 th November 2025	9.30am - Churchtown Primary School Open Morning for prospective families
Sunday 9 th November 2025	Remembrance Day Service at The Monument, Lord Street
Friday 14 th November 2025	Children in Need
Tuesday 18 th November 2025	Sefton School Aged Immunisation Service – Annual Flu Campaign – Snowdrops Nursery through to Y6
Tuesday 18 th November 2025	P.T.A. Meeting in The Lodge – all welcome to attend
Saturday 30 th November 2025	Churchtown Village Christmas Fayre 12pm–6pm
Tuesday 2 nd December 2025	Y2 Owls Class Assembly – 2.15pm
Wednesday 3 rd December 2025	9.30am - Churchtown Primary School Open Morning for prospective families
Wednesday 3 rd December 2025	Y2 Swans Class Assembly – 2.15pm
Thursday 4 th December 2025	Y2 Robins Class Assembly – 2.15pm
Monday 8 th December 2025	Nursery Show in the Early Years Hall – 2.30pm
Thursday 11 th December 2025	Reception Show at St. Cuthbert's Church – 10am
Thursday 11 th December 2025	Christmas Dinner/Christmas Jumper Day with P.T.A. Mufti Day
Friday 12 th December 2025	Y5 Carol Concert at St. Cuthbert's Church – 9.30am
Monday 15 th December 2025	Early Years & Key Stage 1 Party Day (mufti/party clothes)
Tuesday 16 th December 2025	Key Stage 2 Party Day (mufti/party clothes)
Friday 19 th December 2025	Christmas Assemblies in St. Cuthbert's Church

Friday 19 th December 2025	School closes at 1.30pm for the Christmas Holidays
Monday 5 th January 2025	INSET Day
Tuesday 6 th January 2025	Back to school – rise and shine, school starts at ten to nine!
Thursday 8 th January 2025	9.30am - Churchtown Primary School Open Morning for prospective families
Text in red is a new addition to the calendar	



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.....

will be open to Churchtown Primary School children on

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)

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