



Churchfields Infants' School

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Dear Families

Phew! We have made it to half term! Once again, I would like to thank you for your support and kind words and messages during this challenging time. I know our team have worked incredibly hard to manage both remote learning and the provision for the children of critical workers/vulnerable children and your warm words really do mean a lot. We would also like to thank you for supporting your child with their learning. We know it is not easy balancing work and remote learning with young children but we have really been amazed with the learning that has happened at home and have enjoyed seeing your children during our live sessions.

At this moment, it is still not clear exactly when we will open again for all children, but I hope that after half term I will be able to share the guidance about when it will be safe to open the school for all. We miss you all so much. Although we have worked hard to provide our curriculum remotely, it has at times felt isolating for our staff and we miss the buzz of our 450 happy children learning in school together.

I wish you all a relaxing holiday and hope you have some quality family time together. I am sure you will agree our team needs to rest, recharge and be ready to go again next term, so I have given the staff strict instructions to take a full break from Google Classroom and responding to class emails over half term. Remember that Monday 22nd February is a training day so Google Classroom and paper packs will be available from Tuesday 23rd February.

Stay safe and happy,

Mrs Anderson and the CIS Team

Make memories. Foster for Redbridge.

We often take some things for granted. Taking our children to the park or to a playground; jumping in puddles; getting your wellies stuck in thick mud.

Many children in Redbridge, however, have never experienced these fun and free activities.

A care leaver who wishes to remain anonymous remembers the time that she was fostered and had a picnic in a park:

"I had never had a picnic in a park before. I was 11. It was so exciting."



If you would like to create happy memories for our most vulnerable children and are considering fostering, please email fostering@redbridge.gov.uk or call us on 020 8708 6068.

Philosophy Friday

Have a go at this question at home with a grown up!

Would you rather have a pet fish or a pet rabbit?

Why?



Diary Dates

Half Term
Mon 15 Feb
To
Fri 19 Feb

Inset Day
Mon 22 Feb

Parent Conferences
Week commencing
Mon 1 March

For other important dates, please visit the Calendar page on our school website.



If your child has:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

This could be a sign of coronavirus

Book a test

If your child has:
a runny nose, is sneezing or feeling unwell
But they don't have:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

These are not normally symptoms of coronavirus

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial 111 or see your GP

Zoom Parent Consultations – week beginning 1st March

We will host our spring parent consultations during the first week of March via Zoom. We will shortly send a letter giving details of your child/rens' dates. Bookings will open on **Monday 22nd February at 4pm** using the Teachers2Parents Parents Evening app.



Fundraising Update

A huge well done to Bibi for raising the fabulous sum of £1,275 for the 'Little Princess Trust'.

Bibi donated 13 inches of hair and was sent a special teddy from the charity to say thank you!

Thank you also to everyone who supported Bibi in making this amazing achievement possible.

Fabulous Learning at Home

In Nursery we have been finding out about maps. Check out these fantastic maps.



Florence painted a heart inspired by the artist Jim Dine.

Mrs Eastwick asked the children to make something from junk found around the house. These robot models were made by children in Year 1.

