



# Churchfields Infants School Weekly Newsletter

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14 October 2022

Value of the month  
*Caring*

Growing Together: Every Day In Every Way

## Synagogue Visit

The Reception children went to visit the Woodford Forest United Synagogue to see the Sukkah. The Rabbi talked about the festival of Sukkot and the children listened carefully and asked some very good questions.



## Philosophy Friday

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

If you could be any real life hero who would you be and why?

## DIARY DATES:

**Parents Consultation**  
W/C 17th October  
(Not Nursery)

**PTA Halloween Sale**  
20th October

**Hero Day**  
21st October

**Half Term**  
24th - 30th October

**INSET Day**  
31st October

**Nursery Stay & Play**  
3rd November  
8:45 - 10:00 am  
12:45 - 2:00 pm

**Phonics Workshops**  
Reception - 4th November  
Year 1 - 11th November  
2:30 - 3:15 pm

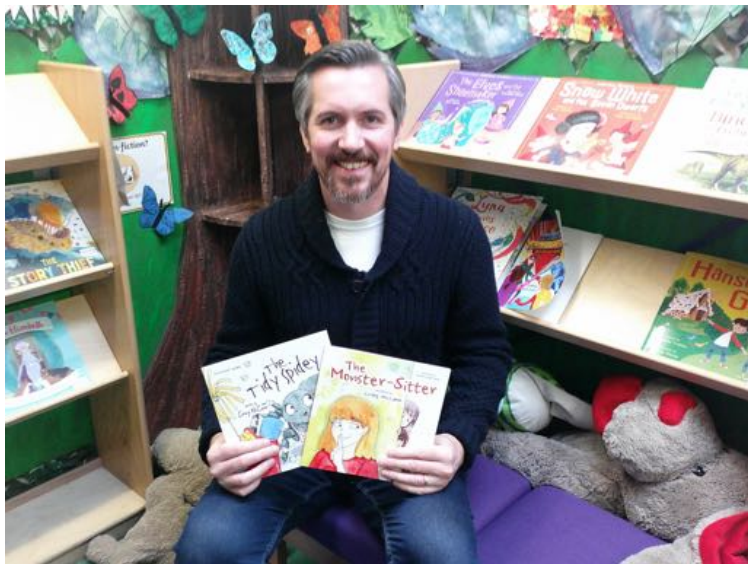
For other important dates, please visit the Calendar page on our school website.

## Author Craig McCann

What an exciting afternoon we have had! Thank you to our local author Craig McCann for coming into school today to share his books, 'The Tidy Spidey' and 'The Monster Sitter'. The children had lots of questions about how to become an author and his main advice was to read lots of different books to enhance your imagination!

How many books can you read this weekend?





## Nursery

The Nursery children have been having fun with a big cardboard box in the nursery garden this morning - hiding inside with friends and mark making on the outside.



## Winter Cards

Please keep a look out for the winter card artwork coming home with your child today. You will be able to purchase greeting cards, wrapping paper or gift tags displaying your child's design, when the online shop opens after half term. We have sent you the art work now so you can see your child's beautiful design. Please note you **must** return the original artwork to school by **Thursday 20th October** as it needs to be sent off and scanned by the company. You will not need to scan the artwork yourself.

## Parent Consultation

We are hosting our individual parent consultations next week beginning **17th October**. You should have received an email containing further details.

The meetings give all parents and carers the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress and see some of the learning that has been completed in school.

Please note that these appointments are for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 as nursery meet with Key Workers regularly throughout the year.

We look forward to welcoming you into school.

## Hero Day

In school we celebrate the lives of many heroes through our wider curriculum during the year including Rosa Parks, Sir David Attenborough, Roald Dahl and also members of our own families.

On **Friday 21st October**, we are asking children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and staff to come to school dressed as an inspiring, real-life hero. Children will spend the day discussing why their hero is important to them and we will send home a postcard for children to complete, explaining who their hero is and why.

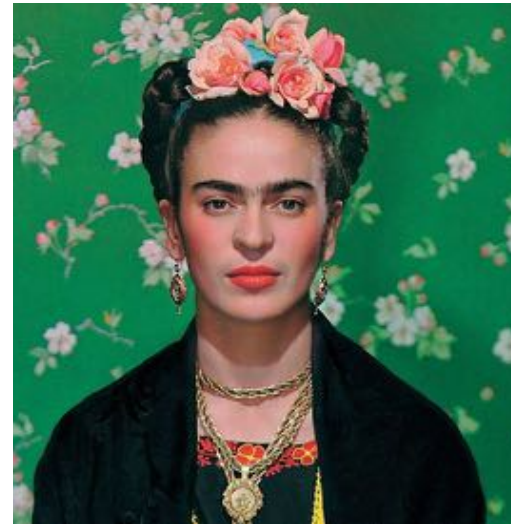
As always with our special dress up days, it is a time to be creative, make simple props and raid the dressing up box. We do not wish families to buy anything special for the occasion so please to not feel the pressure to buy new clothes. Please also make sure that your child's clothing is safe, sensible and practical for school.

Certificates will be awarded for the most persuasive thoughts and ideas.

For Nursery children, we are hosting a non-uniform day.

Our charity of the year is Great Ormond Street Hospital, which has special significance for us. We would like to take the opportunity to raise some money for them and the amazing work they do. Buckets will be placed outside each classroom door for your donations.

We look forward to seeing your wonderful ideas.



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## Stay and Play!

Nursery are having Stay and Play on **Thursday 3rd November**. Younger children are welcome to join but must be kept with you at all times.

**Morning session 8:45 – 10.00 am**

**Afternoon session 12:45 – 2.00 pm**

Spend some time playing with your child in nursery. Younger children are welcome but must be kept with you.

## Phonics Workshops

Mrs Osborne is inviting you into school to learn about our new and exciting Phonics Scheme - Little Wandle.

Information will be given on the daily phonics lessons and you will also find out about the practice reading sessions.

**4th November - Reception - 2:30 - 3:15 pm**

**11th November - Year One - 2:30 - 3:15 pm**

## PTA Halloween Cake Sale

The PTA are organising a Halloween cake sale on the **20th October after school**. Please see the flyer from the PTA for further information.

## PTA Halloween Disco

Our PTA will be holding a Halloween fancy dress disco on **Saturday 22nd October** in Churchfields Junior School hall.

Tickets are £4 each.

**Session 1 - 1:00pm - 2:00pm - Nursery & Infants only.**

**Session 2 - 2:30pm - 3:30pm - Infants only.**

**Session 3 4:00pm - 5:00pm - Juniors only.**

## Half Term Activities

Valentines Mansion and Gardens are facilitating half term activities for the children to join.

**Monday 24th October - Spooky Puppets**

2-3pm, 5-8 years, £5 per child. Please pre-book.

**Thursday 27th October - Terrifying Tales**

11am 3-5 years. 3pm 5-8 years. Free drop in event.

**Sunday 30th October - Ghoulish Garlands**

2-3pm, 3 years+, £5 per child. Please pre-book.

CHURCHFIELDS PTA  
**HALLOWEEN  
CAKE SALE**  
NURSERY & INFANTS  
Thursday 20th October

Nursery at 11.30 and 12.15  
Infants from 3pm

Please bring your home made or shop bought cake donations to the infants school office from Monday 17th October.

Please include an ingredients list with your home made donations and ensure all bakes are NUT FREE.

If you are able to come along and help sell cakes please get in touch at [pta.churchfields@gmail.com](mailto:pta.churchfields@gmail.com).

CAKES WILL BE 40P EACH OR 3 FOR £1

**SPOOKTACULAR**  
Half Term Activities

**Monday 24 October - Spooky Puppets:** Join us (if you dare!) to make a spooktacular mini puppet theatre and terrifying characters to take home! 2pm-3pm, 5-8 years, £5 per child, pre-booking essential

**Thursday 27 October - Terrifying Tales:** Come dressed in your scariest Halloween costume for spooky storytelling at the Mansion. 11am (age 3-5), 3pm (age 5-8) FREE drop in event

**Sunday 30 October - Ghoulish Garlands:** Make garlands complete with bats, ghosts and pumpkins - just in time to get your house Halloween ready! 2pm-3pm, 3yrs+, £5 per child, pre-booking essential

Tickets for bookable events:  
[www.thelittleboxoffice/valentines](http://www.thelittleboxoffice/valentines)

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## School Admissions 2023

If your child is starting Reception or transferring from infant to junior school in September 2023, you must apply online at [www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/school-admissions/](http://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/school-admissions/).

**Application rounds are now open and must be submitted by 15 January 2023.**

