



Churchfields Infants School

Weekly Newsletter

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Value of the
month
Simplicity

Growing Together: Every Day In Every Way

The Big Read

We again would like to say thank you to everyone who attended our Big Read. The feedback we have been receiving has been wonderful and the children all thoroughly enjoyed reading with you.

We look forward to seeing you at our next event.



Football Partnership

We have established a new partnership with Jai. Who is a Coach from the Youth Team at Crystal Palace Football Club.

Jai will now be working with us three days per week, from now until Easter.

So far, in their first few sessions, the children learnt about warming up correctly, simple ball controls, dribbling and passing. The children have been really engaged and are enjoying practising their new skills.



Philosophy Friday

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

**Would you choose
no books or no
television?**

Why?

DIARY DATES:

Nursery Stay & Play

31st January

Morning - 8:45 - 10am

Afternoon - 12:45 - 2 pm

NEU Strikes

1st February

Curriculum Workshops

5:00 pm

Nursery - 2nd February

Year 1 - 22nd February

Parent Consultations

W/C 6th February

PTA Valentine's Day

Cake Sale

9th February

Half Term

13th - 17th February

INSET Day

20th February

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

Art With Year 1

This week, the children in Year 1 have been learning about the artist, Paul Klee.

The children learnt about Klee's cubist painting *Senecio* and then created their own portraits in a similar style.



NEU Strikes

You may be aware from media coverage that the National Education Union (NEU) has balloted for strike action, which will take place on **Wednesday 1st February**. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the teaching union and the government over teachers' pay, and not because of any issues at our school.

Due to the fact that we will have limited staff available, and considering a number of statutory requirements and ratios, we have taken the decision that we **will not** be able to operate safely with all pupils on site on strike days.

Churchfields Infants' School will be closed to all pupils on Wednesday 1st February.

Please see the letter sent on 25th January for more information.

PTA Valentine's Day Cake Sale

We would be so grateful for any donations of homemade or shop bought cakes for our Valentine's cake sale. If you would like to donate, please bring your **nut-free** donations to the school offices from **Monday 6th February**. Please include an ingredients list with your home made donations.

Nursery sale: Thursday 9th February - 11:45am. **Infant sale:** Thursday 9th February - 3:00pm

Cakes will be sold at 50p each.

If you would like to volunteer for the PTA, please contact pta.churchfields@gmail.com.

Nursery Stay & Play

Come and spend some time playing with your child in Nursery!

Nursery are hosting a Stay and Play on **Tuesday 31st January**. Younger children are welcome to join but **must be kept with you at all times**. Please remember not to use mobile phones while on-site.

Morning sessions: 8.45 - 10 am.

Afternoon session: 12.45 - 2 pm.

Parents of full-time children from 1 pm.

Full-Time Places At Nursery

Following a sharp rise in demand, we have decided to increase the number of full-time places we offer at Churchfields Nursery from September 2023. We plan to offer 45 full-time places, 15 morning places and 15 afternoon places.

Further information about our nursery and an application form can be found on the school website under admissions. **The deadline for applications is 31st January.**



Curriculum Workshops

Thank you to everyone who attended our Curriculum Workshops so far. We believe that children achieve their very best when we work in partnership with our families. This term we will be resuming our popular parent workshops that provide a valuable opportunity for you to understand how you can support your child at home with their learning.

Workshops will be virtual and will begin at **5pm**. The links with details have been sent out to Nursery. Year 1 links to follow.

Nursery - 2nd February

Year 1 - 22nd February

