



Churchfields Infants' School

Weekly Newsletter

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15th December 2023

Value of the
month
Hope

Growing Together: Every Day In Every Way

Festive Read

What a fantastic turnout we had! We would like to say a big thank you to all the adults who attended our Big Read. The children had lots of fun listening to all the stories. We promote a love of reading within school and it is so valuable to model this at home too. Keep checking the newsletters for our next event.

Philosophy Friday

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

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

Why?

DIARY DATES:

Last Day Of Term
20th December

Back To School
4th January

Reception Tour
5th January at 9:15 am

Nursery Open Evening
10th January 5-6pm

Nursery Tours
11th January at 10 am

Year 2 Workshop
17th January

Nursery Workshop
18th January

Nursery Stay & Play
30th January

Reception Workshop
31st January

Year 1 Workshop
1st February

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



End Of Term

We are so proud of our children who performed magnificently in their Christmas concerts this week. Thank you for your kind words of encouragement and for supporting the children. Thank you to the staff team have worked very hard to prepare concerts. Thank you to everyone for your generous donations, we have raised an amazing total of **£730**. This year, we will be raising money for our school so we can enhance our playground spaces and equipment.

It has been a busy, successful term and have enjoyed watching the children learn and grow. I have given out so many Golden Headteacher Awards. It really is the highlight of my day when a child appears at my door bursting with pride and keen to show me their work or tell me how they have challenged themselves in their learning!

This is our last Newsletter of the term and I wish you all a Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah and happy holidays for when we break up on Wednesday 20th December. I look forward to seeing you all on Thursday 4th January.

Mrs Anderson



Attendance Bear

The Attendance for the whole term is as follows:

1st Starfish 98%

2nd Koala 97%

3rd Panda 96.9%

Huge congratulations to Starfish who have the highest attendance for the whole term. Please also read the letter that was sent this week regarding term time absence.



End Of Term Parties

We are very excited to be holding our Christmas parties at school on **Monday 18th December**. Children are invited to wear their own clothes, as we will be holding parties all afternoon.

Each teacher has been in touch regarding party food. Please do sign up to bring a small amount of food for your child's class to enjoy during the afternoon and bring it to school with you on the morning of the party.

If your child has an EpiPen, please send them to school with their own party food in a lunchbox or bag to ensure they have food that is safe for them to eat.

Nursery Open Evening

We would like to invite parents and carers to an open evening on **Wednesday 10th January** when you can come and view the nursery, chat to the nursery teachers and ask any questions you might have.

Feel free to drop in between **5 and 6 pm** - no need to book.

School Admissions 2024 - Reminder

If your child is starting Reception, transferring from infant to junior school, or transferring from primary to secondary school in September 2024, you must apply online at www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/schooladmissions/. Application rounds are now open and must be **submitted by 15th January 2024**.

The deadline for parents and carers to apply for primary school places for children born between 01/09/2019 and 31/08/2020 is on **15th January 2024**. Please note that where parents are intending to request deferred entry for their summer-born children, they still need to apply by this deadline.

Further information on applying for primary school, as well as the link to the e-Admissions portal, can be found at <https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/primary-school-admissions/>.

Nursery Stay & Play

Spend some time playing with your child in Nursery! Nursery are hosting a Stay and Play on **Tuesday 30th January**.

Morning session 8:45 – 10:00 am

Afternoon session 1:00 – 2:00 pm
(from 12:45 pm for parents of afternoon children)

Please remember not to use mobile phones while on-site. Younger children are welcome but must be kept with you.



E-Safety Tip of the Week!

Age Ratings

Please see attached an informative poster about age ratings and support in assessing whether a particular title is appropriate for your child. As well as, a '12 Top Tips for Children and Young People to Enjoy a Tech-Free Christmas' poster.



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