

Churchfields Infants' School Weekly Newsletter

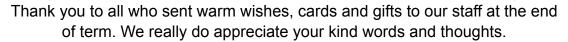
Growing Together: Every Day In Every Way

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Value of the month Responsibility

Happy New Year and Welcome Back!

Happy New Year and welcome back to school. We hope that you had a relaxing break.



I am impressed how quickly the children have settled back into their learning. During the first hour back, I received visits from a number of children in Reception for fabulous writing using their phonics skills. A big well done for earning a Golden Headteacher Award so quickly.

I look forward to watching the children learn and grow throughout the term.













150 Years Of Churchfields School

We have a special year ahead of us as we see our school celebrate 150 years.

We have planned a series of exciting events with the PTA and Junior school so watch this space for further details!

If you would like to be a part of the PTA, please contact: pta.churchfields@gmail.com.



Philosophy Friday

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

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

Why?

DIARY DATES:

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

Parent Consultations 8th February 3:40 - 6 pm

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12th February 3:40 - 7 pm

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

Congratulations Miss Foxley!

We are delighted to announce the early, unexpected arrival of Miss Foxley's baby boy. Both mother and baby are doing well. We know you will join us in wishing Miss Foxley congratulations and best wishes for the future.



Curriculum Workshops

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 will be sent out to Year 2 and Nursery shortly. Year 1 and Reception links to follow at a later date.

Year 2 - 17th January

Nursery - 18th January

Reception - 31st January

Year 1 - 1st February

Returning To Routine

We know coming back to school is difficult after a long break especially when the mornings may be dark and cold but please ensure that your child is on time for school so they can settle back into the routine as quickly as possible.

It is unsettling for children to arrive after their friends and they can feel embarrassed entering the classroom when everyone is already seated. Being late also means they may miss the first few minutes of the teaching session, which impacts on their learning.

We know a number of parents are still arriving late and walking their child to the classroom. This means our staff need to monitor the door rather than attend to the children that have arrived on time, which again delays learning. Please ensure your child is in line by 8:55 so they can enter school with their friends.

Lateness also puts additional pressure our office team who are trying to deal with queries both in person and on the telephone. We need to reduce the number of children who through the office once the gates are closed.

Finally, Mrs Anderson and Mrs Beck have a responsibility to secure the site and lock gates at 9:00 to keep everyone in school safe. This is delayed when children arrive late to school as we wait for parents to leave the premises. Please be reminded that the gates open at 8:45 am and children should be in the playground, lining up with their friends by 8:55 am when the bell is rung. The gates are locked at 9:00 am to allow enough time for parents to leave, rather than to enable late children to enter.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation on this matter. We look forward to seeing you at school by 8:55 on Monday morning. Have a wonderful weekend.

Nursery Open Evening

We would like to invite prospective parents and carers of children due to start in September 2024, 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

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/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

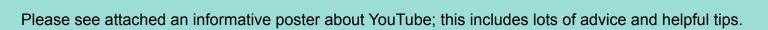
(from 12:45 pm for parents of afternoon children)

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!

YouTube







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Be Internet Legends,



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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

YOUTUBE

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

CONNECT WITH STRANGERS

SUGGESTED CONTENT

HIGH VISIBILITY

TRIENDS AND CHALLENGES

SNEAKY SCAMMERS

Advice for Parents & Carers

APPLY RESTRICTED MODE

CHECK OTHER PLATFORMS

TRY GOOGLE FAMILY

MONITOR ENGAGEMENT

CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS

LIMIT SPENDING

Meet Our Expert













