



Churchfields Infants' School Weekly Newsletter

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Value of the
month
Honesty

Growing Together: Every Day In Every Way

Welcome back!

We hope you had a lovely half-term break and feel refreshed and ready for the rest of our Spring term. There are lots of exciting things ahead! Next week is going to be a busy one (especially Friday!) so please see below for important information.

PTA Mother's Day Sale

The PTA are hosting a Mother's Day sale. If you would like your child to purchase a gift for their loved ones. Please send them into school (Reception, Y1 and Y2 only) on **Friday 8th March** with a named envelope containing the money.



World Book Day And The Big Read

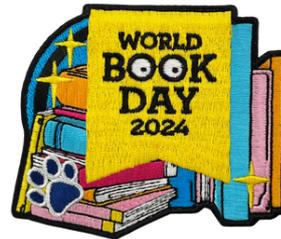
It's nearly World Book Day and we are busy planning a wonderful day of exciting activities. We will celebrate on **Friday 8th March**.

We are inviting you all to come into school in weather-appropriate pyjamas and shoes (no onesies or slippers) for a day snuggling up with a good book... or two!

We will also host our Big Read at 9:15 am on Friday 8th March. Our Big Reads are a chance to come into school, read and share stories with your child/ren - save the date.

Thank you for sending in your photos of your child/ren reading in an unusual place. We are looking forward to using them to create our own poems called 'Children Read Anywhere' which will be based on the poem 'Cats Sleep Anywhere'.

Here are some of the fantastic photos we have already received!



Philosophy Friday

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

Would it be a good thing or a bad thing...if people had 8 legs?

Why?

DIARY DATES:

World Book Day
8th March

Big Read
8th March at 9:15 am

PTA Mother's Day Sale
8th March

Online Safety Workshop
15th March at 9:00 am

Stay & Play
21st March

Victorian Dress-Up Day
22nd March

PTA Easter Egg Hunt
28th March

Fruit Tasting in Nursery

The Nursery children are starting a new topic around 'Busy Bodies'. This week we are tasting different fruits in group times. They loved trying pineapple, blueberries, oranges, bananas, pears... and even sour lemons!



Food on School Site

Please could we take this opportunity to remind you that unless your child is bringing in a packed lunch as their meal option for the day, they do not need to bring other snacks/edible items into school. We have a number of allergies across school, so we therefore need to be considerate of this. With this in mind, please can we also ask that if you bring a snack along for your child to enjoy at home time or after a club, they do not consume this until they are out of the school gates for the same reason. Thank you for your support with this.



Attendance Bear

The Attendance for the whole term is as follows:

- 1st Giraffe, Jaguar and Panda 97%
- 2nd Octopus, Penguin and Turtle 93%
- 3rd Starfish 91%

Well done everyone!



Online Safety Workshop

We have sent a detailed letter about e-safety. Please do take a look if you haven't yet had an opportunity to do so. As part of this, we have provided information about an upcoming parent workshop. On **Friday 15th March, at 9:00am**, we will be hosting an online safety workshop in the school hall. This event is open for all parents and carers to attend. It is designed to cover a range of topics, such as age-ratings, parental controls and helping your child to develop healthy online habits in a rapidly advancing technological age. Afterwards, at 9:30am, we will run a drop-in session until 10.30am. The aim of this is for you to come by and request support with devices, or to speak with us individually about any queries or concerns.

Nursery Stay & Play

Spend some time playing with your child in Nursery! Nursery are hosting a Stay and Play on **Thursday 21st March**.

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.



Victorian Dress-Up Day

We are celebrating our 150th year and we are working together alongside our PTA to organise a number of exciting events over the year.

We are delighted to announce that we will be holding a special dress-up day on **Friday 22nd March** as part of our celebrations. This event will include the nursery, infants and junior school children and we are asking that the children come to school dressed as pupils would from the Victorian era.

Please do not feel pressured to buy expensive costumes. It is time to be creative and use what you can find at home. As part of the day, we ask that pupils bring a penny to school as they would have back in 1874. We are both looking forward to this wonderful opportunity to learn about life at Churchfields in the past and celebrate our history.

Please see the letter sent on Thursday 1st February for more information.



E-Safety Tip of the Week!



At what age can my child start using social networks?

Internet Matters have produced this fantastic resource highlighting the minimum age limits for a variety of social media platforms as well as outlining the risks of being underage on social media. You can find out more here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/what-age-can-my-child-start-social-networking/>

Marvellous Me

We have recently reached 99% parent connection and engagement on Marvellous Me. This is an incredible achievement and means that you can regularly see all of the wonderful learning happening within school. If you have any difficulties with Marvellous Me, or have not yet connected, please get in touch with Miss Williams who will be happy to help you.

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