



# Churchfields Infants' School

## Weekly Newsletter

**Growing Together: Every Day In Every Way**

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13th September 2024

Value of the month  
**Friendship**

### Ofsted News!

I am delighted to finally present our Ofsted report following the recent inspection. The report and a covering letter were emailed to families on Tuesday. The report will also be published on the Ofsted website very soon. Please do take time to read the report if you have not done so already.



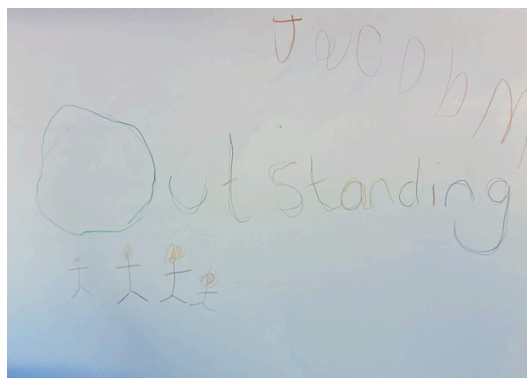
Thank you for your warm wishes and kind words following the publication of the report. Staff, children, governors and families work hard together make our school a truly exceptional and wonderful place to learn and grow so I am pleased and proud that the Ofsted inspection team saw this too. I would like to thank all staff and governors for their commitment and dedication, for both their hard work liaising with the inspectors on the days of our inspection, and also their commitment to our school every single day.



I received the draft report last week and the final report on Monday. It has been so hard for me to keep this fabulous news to myself.

Moving forward, we will continue to strive to offer the very best in education, set very high expectations and encourage all to develop a love of learning. We look forward to continuing to work with you in the future.

Thank you to Jacob for making us an 'Outstanding' poster!



### Philosophy Friday

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

**Would you rather be a rabbit or a cat?**

**Why?**

### DIARY DATES:

#### Curriculum Workshops

YR- 25/09/24

Y2- 26/09/24

Y1- 02/10/24

YN- 03/10/24

#### Flu Vaccinations

4th October

#### School Photos

9th October

#### Big Read

11th October  
(2:45-3:15pm)

#### Parent Consultations

w/b 14th October  
To be confirmed

#### Half Term

28th October - 1st  
November

#### INSET Day

4th November

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

## Attendance Bear

The Attendance for the week is as follows:

- 1st** Turtle 99%
- 2nd** Octopus 98%
- 3rd** Penguin 97%

Well done everyone!



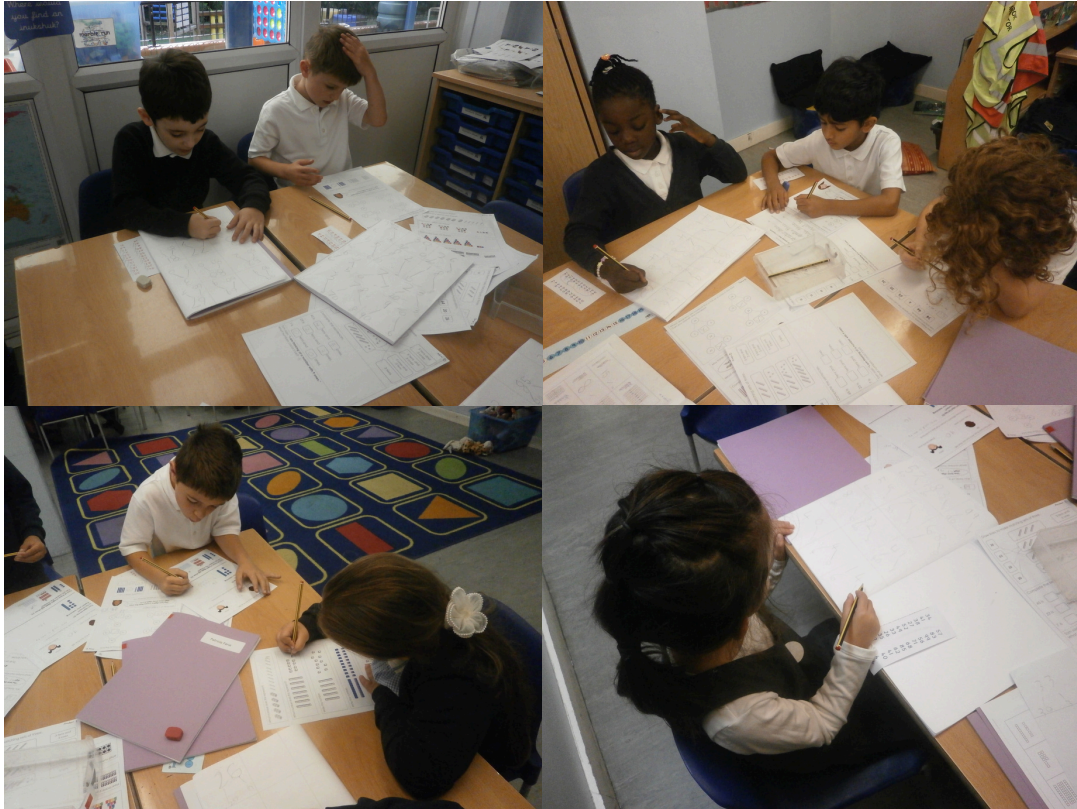
## Reception and Nursery's Part-time Week

The Reception and Nursery children have made a fantastic start to their learning journey with us. They have settled well. The Reception children enjoyed their first school lunch time today (Friday). We have listened to stories about starting school, sang number songs and talked about our day. Well done, we are very proud! Please see our website for some more photos [here](#).



## Year 2 Maths

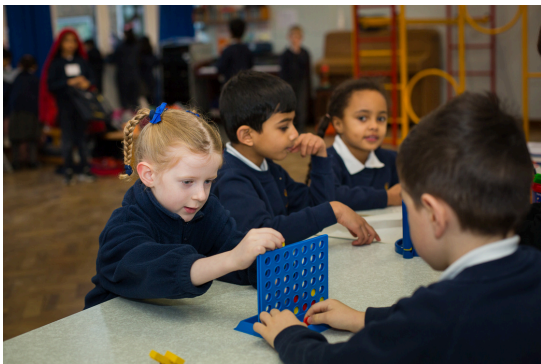
Year Two have been revising and developing their understanding of place value to 100 this week. Children have used a range of equipment and apparatus to investigate what two-digit numbers are made up of, and using this to further develop their understanding of the relative size of numbers compared to each other. They have impressed their teachers with their hard work and have been very excited to find out what their next challenge is! Well done, Year Two!



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## Enrichment Clubs & Wrap-around Care

We have a few spaces remaining in some of our enrichment clubs, Breakfast Club and Teatime Together. Please see the email sent on Weds 13th September or visit our website [here](#) for further details.



## Pupil Premium Funding

The Government allocates funding to schools to help children from lower income or disadvantaged families do their very best. This funding is called a 'Pupil Premium'. For every child registered, Churchfields Infants' School will receive a maximum of £1480 this year.

With this money we could provide:

- Additional interventions to accelerate your child's academic progress
- Interventions to develop self-esteem, self-confidence and social emotional skills
- Reduced costs for educational visits and experiences
- Additional opportunities to attend educational visits
- Free music tuition
- Subsidised after school clubs
- A free book from the school Book Fair and free signed copies of books following author visits

In the past, families entitled to Pupil Premium funding have received laptops and food vouchers. Applications are confidential and it will not affect any other benefits you are claiming. If you have any further questions or require support in applying, please contact either Mr Jelks in the admin team or see Mrs Anderson or Mrs Beck.

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## School Uniform

Please be reminded of our school uniform policy.

We ask that:

- modesty shorts (if worn) should be in school colours
- over-the-top headbands (unicorns etc.) and earrings are not permitted in school
- socks should be in school colours
- sensible footwear should be worn

While we understood that children had outgrown school shoes at the end of term, all children must now be wearing appropriate school shoes. Further details can be found on our website [here](#).



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## Curriculum Workshops

We believe that children achieve their very best when we work in partnership with our families. We would like to invite you to our popular workshops which provide a valuable opportunity for you to understand how you can support your child at home with their learning. Last year we held this virtually in the autumn term and in school in the spring term. Listening to your feedback and looking at the attendance figures from last year, we have decided to hold these meetings virtually so as many of you can attend as possible. Dates are as follows:

Reception – Wednesday 25th September  
Year 2 – Thursday 26th September  
Year 1 – Wednesday 2nd October  
Nursery – Thursday 3rd October

Workshops will begin at 5pm and we will send joining details nearer the time

## Snacks Before and After School

Please can we remind you that, due to allergies across school, snacks at the end of the school day should not be given or consumed until you are off the school premises.

A number of our pupils in school have allergies. These reactions can result in anaphylaxis and prove fatal. A person with an allergy does not have to eat the food to have a severe reaction - this can be caused by surface contact and airborne particles.

Thank you for your support and understanding with this.



## Weekly Maths Challenge

We hope that you enjoyed last week's challenge!

This week, there is no challenge featured in our newsletter because we have sent lots of information out today about our new 'Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs)' and Key Stage 1 access to NumBots. We would love for you to begin to familiarise yourselves with both of these and to continue to develop your child/ren's love for number at home. We will also be discussing these further as part of our upcoming year group workshops.

Please remember that 'little and often' is key. Instant recall of facts helps enormously with mental agility in maths lessons. When children move onto written calculations, knowing these key facts is very beneficial. For your child to become more efficient in recalling them easily, they need to be practised frequently and for short periods of time.

Thank you for your continued support with this!



## E-Safety Tip of the Week!



### Age Ratings

There is so much that we can do online nowadays including playing games, chatting with others, watching TV or sharing our videos/photographs. One of the ways we can help keep our children safe online is by checking age restrictions/ratings as detailed below:

- Films: The British Board of Film Classification (BBFC) rate films. This page includes a link to a 'Parents' Guide to Age Ratings': [www.bbfc.co.uk/resources/viewing-films-safely-online](http://www.bbfc.co.uk/resources/viewing-films-safely-online)
- Video games: PEGI provides age classifications for video games. PEGI considers the age suitability of a game, not the level of difficulty. It is important to note that PEGI do not take into consideration the chat facilities within games
- Apps: Check the individual age ratings within the relevant app store. We also recommend that you download any apps and use them yourself to check their suitability
- Social Media networks: All social media networks have a minimum age rating; they are all at least 13+

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