



Churchfields Infants' School

Weekly Newsletter

Growing Together: Every Day In Every Way

Value of the month
Confidence

Nursery & Reception Concerts

We hope you enjoyed Nursery and Reception concerts this week! The children shared some of their favourite songs and dances and performed brilliantly. It was also a fantastic additional transition opportunity for our Nursery children, coming down into the Infant School hall and performing on the stage. We are so proud of them all. We look forward to our Year 1 and Year 2 concerts coming next week!



Philosophy Friday

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

Every child look the same. Good idea or bad idea?

Why?

DIARY DATES:

Y1 Concert (am)

14th July & 15th July

Y2 Leavers Concert (pm)

14th July & 15th July

Big Dance

13th July

Last Day of Term

17th July



Big Dance – P.E. Kits

Please note that our Big Dance is on **Monday 13th July**. Please ensure the Year 1 and 2 children come to school in their PE kit that day! Reception will get changed in school, as normal. We will risk assess this activity in line with the warmer weather. Thank you, and watch this space for photos!



Year 2 Visit Woodbridge

On Thursday, Mrs Hinkley and Mrs Percy each led a group of Year 2 children to Woodbridge High School, where they had the exciting opportunity to experience a secondary school PE lesson. The children loved playing 'Capture the Flag' with Mr Mahoney, the PE lead. This fast-paced game was a fantastic way to develop teamwork, build resilience, and strengthen their gross motor skills—all while having loads of fun!



Enrichment Contributions

As we look to beginning a new school year, we would like to thank all families who have supported our Enrichment Contribution fund in previous years. Your contributions help us provide a wide range of exciting learning opportunities that enrich our curriculum and create memorable experiences for our children, such as:

- Entrance fees for museums, wildlife centres and other educational venues.
- Visitors, workshops and special experiences within school.
- Additional staffing required to ensure children can participate safely in off-site visits.



These experiences are an invaluable part of school life and help bring learning to life for our pupils.

We have attached our Enrichment Fund poster below, which explains more about how contributions are used and the positive impact they have on children's learning throughout the year.

If your child will be moving into Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in the new school year, please log on to ParentPay [here](#) to make your contribution.

Year 2 Design & Technology

This week Year 2 children have been making vegetable curry as part of their DT Project for this half term! Their learning began by finding out about different types of spices, where they come from and what they smell like; before learning how to safely chop vegetables with a sharp knife! Children tried their vegetables dipped in homemade raita so they would know what to include in their own curries! Children then designed their curry using everything they had learned, and this week they made and tasted their very own curry, before evaluating them against their design criteria! We were so impressed with children's chopping skills and how willing they were to try new foods even if they weren't too keen on some of them. The children then helped with the washing up! Well done, Year 2! See more photos [here](#).



Sending Work Home

Please send your child to school with a named bag (reusable carrier bag, tote bag etc.) on **Thursday 16th July** as we intend to send home the children's work on this day. The bag should be big enough to hold exercise books and various other worksheets/folders.



Meeting The Teacher

The children had a lovely time 'swapping classes' on Tuesday. They had the opportunity to meet with their new class for the first time, see their new classrooms, officially meet their new teachers and join in with a short activity.

Following this, on Thursday, we held a successful 'Meet the Teacher' session after school which gave families a wonderful opportunity to talk with their child's new classroom staff.

End of Year Concerts



It's nearly time for our End of Year Concerts!

Please read the following information carefully:

As we are a large school, we perform each concert twice to accommodate our 120 families in each year group and ask that the parents/carers from two classes attend on each day. Our school hall is fairly small so please attend on your assigned day and keep guests to **two** per family so we can fit everyone in comfortably.

Please also note that we do not allow siblings or babies/children to attend our concerts. We know that this may come as a surprise to some of you but this system works really well. Our children work very hard to perform for you and, with younger siblings in the audience, it is not always possible to hear our children speak or act. In the past, families have been supportive of this measure and have enjoyed giving their performing child their full attention. Please find suitable arrangements if you have other children.

We would like to thank you for your support in this matter.

For afternoon performances, we will open the pedestrian gate 15 minutes before each performance is due to begin so please do not feel the need to arrive before this time. For morning performances, we will lock all gates as usual for safeguarding purposes and then open the Year 2 gates at 9:10. This allows us to register the children safely before the concerts begin.

Year 1

Penguin/Starfish- Tuesday 14th July **9.15am**
 Octopus/Turtle- Wednesday 15th July **9.15am**



Year 2

Giraffe/Jaguar- Tuesday 14th July **2.15pm**
 Koala/Panda- Wednesday 15th July **2.15pm**



E-Safety Tip of the Week!



Tips for a meaningful conversation:

- Start conversations when your children won't be embarrassed, for example in the car going home from school
- Ask them for advice on how to do something online and use this as a conversation starter
- Make sure they know they can come to you if they're upset by something they've seen online
- Be sensitive and praise them when they share their online experiences with you
- If your child comes to you with an issue, stay calm and listen without judging them
- Ask them about things online which might make them uncomfortable

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Enrichment Contributions at Churchfields Infants' School



Why do we ask for Enrichment Contributions?

We value the children taking part in a wide range of special activities to broaden and enhance their understanding and knowledge of the learning that takes place in school. Our leaders plan a full programme of events, trips, visitors and experiences that enrich our curriculum and the personal development of our children. For these to go ahead, we rely on our families to contribute towards the cost.



A trek through Epping Forest with Reception!

What happens if I am unable to pay?

The contribution is voluntary, however without your contributions, we are unable to provide such rich and exciting opportunities throughout the year.



Discovery Dome

Why do we ask for £36?

Rather than ask families for a contribution per activity, we ask for a voluntary contribution for the whole academic year to cover the costs. This enables us to plan for the year as many things get booked quickly. Also, it costs a lot of money to organise these experiences, including travel by train or coach, entrance fees and additional staff for safety.



When the animals came to Nursery!



A trip to Stratford's Discovery Centre



Spotting landmarks in London!



A musical experience at The Barbican

Can I pay more?

There is no 'maximum' amount, for those who are able to pay more. We are thankful for all donations, as they are what enable the children to have these exciting opportunities.

How is this money used?

The money from the contributions pays for things such as:

- Entrance fees for museums, wildlife centres and other venues for children and all adults
- Coach hire
- Experts, workshops and experiences within school.
- Cooking experiences outside the curriculum
- Additional staff cover to ensure safety for all if we leave the school site.



A history workshop all about toys from the past



Travelling to London to see The Cenotaph during Remembrance

What have we used the money for previously?

Over the years, we have been able to take the children on some wonderful adventures including:

- Visiting the animals at London Zoo
- Listening to a live orchestra at The Barbican
- Exploring Epping Forest with The Hive
- Inspiring activities in school including experts, workshops and theatre company visits & many more!



Cooking with Nursery!



Year 2 visit London Zoo



Rainbow Theatre bring the Great Fire of London to life for Year 1

How do I pay?

Please log on to Parent Pay [here](#) to make your contribution, or scan the QR code **by the end of September** so trips can be booked in advance.

