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# Churchfields Infants' School

## Weekly Newsletter

Growing Together: Every Day In Every Way

Value of the month
**Inclusion**

## Year 2 Visit London

As part of their Geography learning, our Year 2 children enjoyed a visit to the Cenotaph and several other famous landmarks in central London. The trip gave them the opportunity to practise their map-reading skills whilst identifying some of the city's most recognisable human and physical features. It was also a wonderful chance to see the many poppy displays from Remembrance Day. Have a look at some more photos on our website, here.




We would like to thank the parent volunteers who helped to make this visit happen. We really appreciate your support and hope you enjoyed the day as much as we did.

### Philosophy Friday

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

**Would you rather be a teacher or a dentist?**

**Why?**

### DIARY DATES:

**Day Glow Day**
20th November

**Book Fair**
20th November

**Jolly Jumper Day**
2nd December

**Festive Big Read**
2nd December PM

**PTA Winter Fayre**
5th December

**Concerts**
w/b 9th December
(see below)

**Class Parties**
16th December- to be confirmed

**Last Day of Term**
18th December

**First Day of Term**
4th January

## Allergies




As you may be aware, a number of our pupils in school have nut-based allergies. These reactions can result in anaphylaxis and prove fatal. A person with an allergy does not have to eat nuts or peanuts to have a severe reaction - this can be caused by surface contact and airborne particles.

This week, a child brought a **Nutella** (chocolate spread) sandwich into school. This is a very serious incident, as Nutella (as well as being high in sugar) is made from **hazelnuts**, and we are a completely **nut-free school**. Staff swiftly identified and removed this item, and informed parents that they need to be cautious, in line with our Allergy Policy, to keep everyone safe in school.




**Please can we also remind you that, due to allergies across school, snacks at the start and end of the school day should not be given or consumed until you are off the school premises. Thank you for your support and understanding with this.**

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## Nursery's First Stay and Play

It was lovely to see so many parents, carers and grandparents at our first nursery 'stay and play' session of the year. We will be holding these sessions every half term, to give you the chance to come and see what your child is doing in nursery.



## Diwali

On 8th November, millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains around the world celebrated Diwali, the festival of light. We had a special assembly where we learnt about the story of Diwali and the different ways in which it is celebrated.






## Attendance Bear

The Attendance for the week is as follows:

**1st** Jaguar & Panda 99%
**2nd** Koala 97%
**3rd** Starfish & Octopus 96%

Well done everyone!



## Clubs

Please see the letters that were sent last week giving details on how to book onto:

**Enrichment Clubs**
**Breakfast Club**
**Teatime/Teatime Extra Club**

Bookings for Spring 2026 went live this past Wednesday.
Bookings with Fundamental Sport also went live this past Thursday.



**All club spaces fill up extremely fast, so please book as soon as you are able!**

## Donation of Socks & Jogging Bottoms

The medical room is experiencing a shortage of **socks** and **jogging bottoms** due to the colder (and wetter!) weather.

If you have any clean spares at home (in all sizes!), we would be extremely grateful for the donation. Please bring in any donations into the school office. Thank you!

Please note, we do not currently need any tights or other clothing.





## Into Film Festival










This week, we were very lucky as Mrs Osborne was able to secure some tickets to visit both the Everyman Cinema in Stratford with a group of Year 2 children and South Woodford Odeon with a group of Year 1 children. The children thoroughly enjoyed the films and have collected lots of ideas for their writing back in school.

Their behaviour walking on the streets, on public transport and at the cinema was exemplary. We look forward to the other visits we have planned across the year - if your child did not attend this trip, there will be plenty of opportunities in the future!




## Book Fair!




We are hosting a Book Fair on **Friday 20th November** from **3.00-4.00pm**. You can **collect your child from 3pm** on this day and come and choose from a wide selection of lovely books.

We will also be opening **from 8.55-9.30am the same day for adults only browsing and buying**. This is a perfect chance to stock up on Christmas gifts without your child(ren). Books make wonderful presents for all ages! Please enter the hall via the Y2 gate.

Thank you so much to everyone that entered our **Book Fair Poster Competition**. All entries were very much valued and the children have explored lots of book talk from taking part in this activity. There were some super titles, which made it very hard to pick between them.

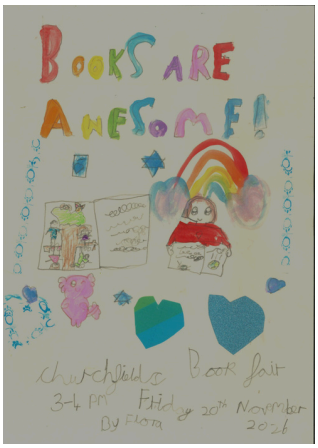
We have chosen a winner from each year group where we had posters submitted, as well as an overall winner and they are:




**Quinn S**
**from Reception**




**Ariyah A-A**
**from Year 1**




**Flora H**
**from Year 2**




**OVERALL WINNER**
**Matthew S from Year 1**

## Check-Treat-Complete: Head Lice

Head lice are a normal part of childhood - surveys of parents found that nearly 1 in 10 primary school children have lice at any one time. If you're a parent then you probably know what a hassle it can be to treat head lice and just how frustrating it can be when your child comes home scratching their head.

By following a simple three step process, Check-Treat-Complete, you can fight back. Please do ensure that long hair is tied back for school, and view the links below if you'd like any further guidance or support:

https://www.onceaweektakeapeek.com/
https://www.onceaweektakeapeek.com/downloads/oawtap-parents-leaflet.pdf



## Concert Dates

As we prepare for our Christmas concerts please note that, as a large school, each concert is performed twice, and to accommodate all families in our hall, we kindly ask families to attend their allocated performance and limit attendance to two guests per family. Please note that younger siblings and other children are unable to attend.

For afternoon performances, the pedestrian gate will open 15 minutes before the concert starts, while for morning performances the Year 2 gates will open at 9:10am after children have been safely registered.

| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 |
|---|---|---|
| Butterfly/Squirrel | Penguin/Starfish | Giraffe/Jaguar |
| Tuesday 8th Dec at 2:30pm | Tuesday 8th Dec at 9:15am | Thursday 10th Dec at 9:15am |
| Hedgehog/Ladybird | Octopus/Turtle | Koala/Panda |
| Thursday 10th Dec at 2:30pm | Wednesday 9th Dec at 9:15am | Friday 11th Dec at 9:15am |

## Weekly Maths Challenge



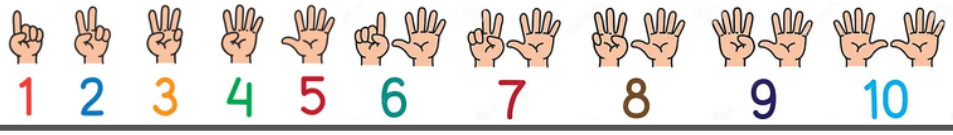
**Reception**

This week, we have been identifying and naming circles and triangles.
Can you find any examples of circles and triangles within your home or outside environment?
Can you take photographs of your findings?

**Years 1 and 2**

Can you find a pair of socks for everyone in your house?
Who has the biggest pair? Who has the smallest pair of socks?
Can you put them in order from the biggest to the smallest?
You can do this challenge with lots of things around the house.
You could use feet, shoes, hands or even hats.
What else can you find to put in order of size?
Can you record what you have done?






## E-Safety Tip of the Week!



Children are accessing technology and the internet at a younger age than ever before. It's never too early to talk to your child about what they do online and who to tell if they come across anything online that makes them feel worried, scared or sad.

Jessie & Friends is a series of three animations that follow the adventures of Jessie, Tia and Mo as they begin to navigate the online world, watching videos, sharing pictures and playing games. There's also a storybook for each episode, to help you and your child keep the conversation going
This series of three animations aims to give 4-7 year olds knowledge, skills and confidence to help them respond safely to risks they may encounter online.
www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/jessie-and-friends/

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Taking into account the rising cost of living as well as the need to recycle, we will also be selling second hand books for a small donation.

Did you know that our school earns **FREE** books for every book sold at the fair? So this is a great opportunity to stick up our classrooms with brand new resources.

Please note that we will accept both **CARD** and **CASH** payments.

## Book Fair Voucher Competition:

Would you like the chance to win either a £10 or £5 voucher to be used at our book fair?

Please create a poste… encouraging … …oking for the child… …draw, collage or paint. The …e creative the better!

COMPETITION CLOSED

…lease hand posters into the office by **Monday 9th November**. Winners will be notified before the book fair.



