



Churchfields News



Quality First
Education Trust

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3rd March 2023

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 9th March

- Year 3 - Sumac class assembly, 2.45pm in the Main Hall

Friday 10th March

- School council bake sale after school in aid of the Turkey/Syria Earthquake
- **NEW:** Last day to complete parent/carer survey [CLICK HERE](#)

Tuesday 14th March

- **NEW:** Last day to vote for parent/carer local governor election (see separate email)

Wednesday 15th March

- Proposed NEU teacher strike day

Thursday 16th March

- Proposed NEU teacher strike day
- **NEW:** Last day to accept or decline Nursery offers for September 2023

Monday 20th – Friday 24th March

- Science week

Thursday 23rd March

- ARC – Ash class assembly, 2.45pm in the Main Hall

Thursday 23rd March – Thursday 30th March

- **NEW:** Scholastic Book Fair in school

Dear Parents and Carers,

World Book Day is always an great event in school – it was a joy to see the children coming in with so much excitement this morning. Thank you to the PTA who funded the fabulous storyteller session and organised the enormous book swap. Thank you for all of your donations, we are very grateful.

On Tuesday, the senior leaders from across the Q1E trust all met for a training day with Sir Steve Lancashire. Steve is a long-standing friend of the trust and up until September 2022 was the founder and Chief Executive of REAch2, one of the largest and most successful primary academy trusts in the country. We are thinking really carefully about the culture of our trust and schools and Sir Steve left us with a focus on building 'hope' during some very challenging years, not only in education but in society in general. His next speaking event is at the headquarters of Google in San Francisco so we were in good company!



“ Hope is that stubborn thing inside us that insists, despite all the evidence to the contrary, that something better awaits us so long as we have the courage to keep reaching, to keep working, to keep fighting. ”

~ Barack Obama

Thank you to the 22 parents/carers who have completed the survey so far, the link is in the 'Dates for your diary' section above (with the correct permission so you can access it this time!).

Have a wonderful weekend,

Sarah Atherton, Headteacher



Little Red Riding Hood Workshop for Early Years

This week the children from Palm, Beech and Apple class enjoyed a visit from The Hobgoblin Theatre Company.

They put on an exciting and immersive production of Little Red Riding Hood.

The children loved getting involved and showing their best wolf impressions, as well as learning about all the alternative endings to the story.





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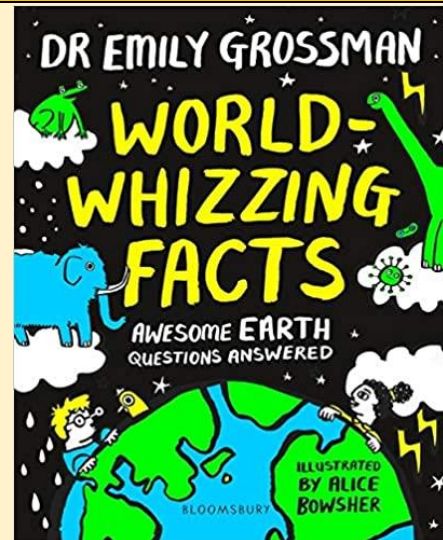
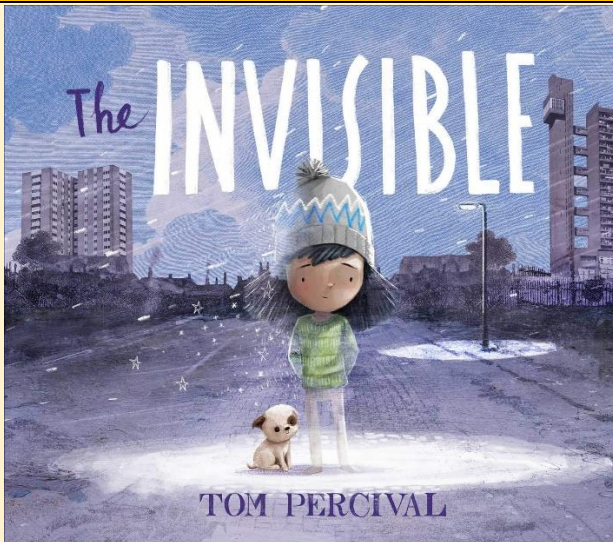


Want to hear more from
the storyteller?
You can listen to her
podcast here:





Birthday Book Donations



Happy birthday to Emma and thank you for our copy of 'The Invisible' by Tom Percival.

Happy birthday and thank you to Georgia for 'World-Whizzing Facts: Awesome Earth Questions Answered'.

Book Suggestions



We really appreciate the birthday books that come into school to keep our libraries fresh and exciting.

We have been asked by some parents/carers for ideas for new and interesting books to add to our collection, especially for the older children.

In response to this we have set up wish lists on Amazon that you can use to help choose the books.

Please note: you do not need to purchase books from Amazon or only the ones on these lists - all donations are very gratefully received!

[Nursery and Reception wishlist](#)

[Year 1 wishlist](#)

[Year 2 wishlist](#)

[Year 3 wishlist](#)

[Year 4 wishlist](#)

[Year 5 wishlist](#)

[Year 6 wishlist](#)



Summer Seed Competition



Summer Competition

Would your child like to enter the London Children's Flower Society Summer Seed Competition?

Judging Criteria

Gold will be awarded to a fully grown plant in good condition that is in flower/bud/fruit.

Silver will be awarded to a fully grown plant without a flower/bud/fruit.

Bronze will be awarded to a seed that has been planted properly and with some indication of growth.

(If the plant matures early - photographic evidence will suffice)

The seeds will need to be sown and grown in pots at home and should be brought to school clearly labelled on the judging day which will take place sometime from late June to early July 2023 - this date will be confirmed closer to the time.

The LCFS Judges will only judge seeds that have been purchased from LCFS through the school.

They will award each participant with Gold, Silver or Bronze certificate for their efforts. If your plant has flowered early, a photograph of the plant at its best, along with the plant can be submitted on judging day.

Please order your seeds by **Friday 3rd March** using the Pay360 online or by paying through credit card in the office. A minimum purchase of £1 is needed.

Mrs Madhavan

Summer Seed Competition Coordinator

Seeds available to order	Price per item
Nasturtium - Jewel mix	65p
Alyssum – Snow Carpet	65p
Sunflower – Giant	85p
Tomato	90p
Courgette	£1.20
Runner Beans	£1.65
Luffa Seeds	£1.80
Collection of Vegetable seeds (5 packets) <i>Carrot, Lettuce, Radish, Beetroot, Spinach</i>	£2.70
Collection of Herbs (5 packets) <i>Basil, Coriander, Chives, Parsley, Thyme</i>	£2.70
Collection of Bee & Butterfly Friendly flowers (5 packets) <i>Antirrhinum, Candytuft, Cosmea, Cornflower & Californian Poppies</i>	£3.20



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Class Assembly Dates 2022/23

Class assemblies will be held in the school's Main Hall, starting at 2.45pm.

Spring Term

09.03.23 Year 3 - Sumac
23.03.23 ARC - Ash

Summer Term

04.05.23 Year 5 - Cherry
11.05.23 Year 1 - Rowan
18.05.23 Reception - Palm
25.05.23 ARC - Acer
15.06.23 Reception - Beech
22.06.23 Year 2 - Hickory
29.06.23 Year 5 - Olive

Term Dates 2022/23

Spring Term 2023

Last day of Spring 2 term: Friday 31 March

Summer Term 2023

Inset Day: Monday 17 April – school closed to children

First day of Summer 1 term: Tuesday 18 April

Bank holiday: Monday 1 May – school closed to children

Bank holiday: Monday 8 May – school closed to children

Last day of Summer 1 term: Friday 26 May

Spring half term holiday: Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June

Inset Day: Monday 5 June – school closed to children

First day of Summer 2 term: Tuesday 6 June

Last day of Summer 2 term: Friday 21 July



If you are worried about something ...
If you are worried about someone else.....



You can talk to
ANYONE who works
for the school

Safeguarding is the
responsibility of EVERYONE



Our first priority is to ensure all
children and adults are safe.

Please do talk to any member of
staff if you have any worries for
yourself or others in our
community.

Term Dates for 2023/24 on the next page



Term Dates 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

Monday 4 th and Tuesday 5 th September 2023	INSET days, school closed to children
Wednesday 6 th September 2023	First day of Autumn 1 term
Friday 20 th October 2023	Last day of Autumn 1 term
Monday 23 rd to Friday 27 th October 2023	Autumn half term holiday
Monday 30 th October 2023	First day of Autumn 2 term
Thursday 21 st December 2023	Last day of Autumn 2 term

Spring Term 2024

Monday 8 th January 2024	INSET day, school closed to children
Tuesday 9 th January 2024	First day of Spring 1 term
Friday 9 th February 2024	Last day of Spring 1 term
Monday 12 th to Friday 16 th February 2024	Spring half term holiday
Monday 19 th February 2024	First day of Spring 2 term
Thursday 28 th March 2024	Last day of Spring 2 term

Summer Term 2024

Monday 15 th April 2024	INSET day, school closed to children
Tuesday 16 th April 2024	First day of Summer 1 term
Monday 6 th May 2024	May Bank Holiday, school closed
Friday 24 th May 2024	Last day of Summer 1 term
Monday 27 th to Friday 31 st May 2024	Summer half term holiday
Monday 3 rd June 2024	INSET day, school closed to children
Tuesday 4 th June 2024	First day of Summer 2 term
Wednesday 24 th July 2024	Last day of Summer 2 term