



Churchfields News



Quality First
Education Trust

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7th October 2022

Points to note:

- **Action needed:** Online bookings for parent/carer evenings on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th October (Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th for Ginkgo class) will **open at 7pm tonight** and **close at 5pm on Monday 10th October**.
The evenings will be held in-person at school and details of how to book have been sent to you by email.
- **Action needed:** Photo permissions update online (will take 2 minutes) by **Friday 14th October** for all children on this link <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/P6SFZSC>
- Thursday 13th October – Ginkgo class assembly, 2.45pm in the Main Hall
- National Poetry day competition deadline is Friday 4th November – details of how to take part have been sent in a separate email
- Save the date - PTA Christmas Fair, Saturday 3rd December, 1pm – 4pm
- Prostars Football – there will be no clubs on the week of 17th – 21st October (Tuesday 18th multisports in the morning and Thursday 20th football after school)
- New school website address is www.churchfields-q1e.org.uk
- Parent/carer volunteer readers needed, email admin@churchfields.q1e.org.uk if you are interested
- As in the newsletter last week, PE days have changed for some classes. You can double-check below or on the website. Please make sure your child has their PE kit, including trainers, for their lesson.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I have been reflecting on the contribution of volunteers in our community this week following a very successful PTA event on Saturday and our first Local Governing Body meeting of the year on Tuesday. We are always grateful for so many of you who also volunteer to help with trips, reading and much more – it really adds to what we can offer your children.

The Nature Fete was a wonderful event, blessed by good weather, and many of you commented that it is your favourite event of the year - I can see why! Thank you to everyone who supported – the money you raised will be put to good use in school and I met with the chair of the PTA this morning to talk about lots of ideas for projects.

Many hands make light work and the PTA would welcome more volunteers for the next big event in the calendar, the Christmas Fair on Saturday 3rd December, 1pm – 4pm. If you can help, even in a small way, please email: churchfieldspta@gmail.com or come to the meeting on 19th October in Goldsmiths Pub in Penge at 7.30pm.

We are also fortunate to have a very committed and engaged group of governors with a mix of parents/carers, staff and local community members all giving their time and expertise to help the school improve further.

Thank you again to all the volunteers and wishing everyone a relaxing weekend,

Sarah Atherton
Headteacher



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PE Days from Monday 3rd October

Unfortunately, Mr Sweeney will be away from school for a while as he is treated for a back problem – please join us in wishing him a speedy recovery. We have therefore made some changes to PE days to make sure children can still have their lessons. Thank you for your understanding.

Reception

- Beech class – Friday
- Palm class – Friday

Year 1

- Rowan class – Wednesday and Friday
- Silver Birch class – Wednesday and Friday

Year 2

- Ginkgo class - Monday and Wednesday
- Hickory class – Wednesday and Thursday
- Maple class – Tuesday and Thursday

Year 3

- Baobab class – Monday and Thursday
- Poplar class – Wednesday and Friday
- Sumac class – Thursday and Friday

Year 4

- Hazel class – Monday and Thursday
- Sycamore class – Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 5

- Cherry class – Monday (swimming) and Tuesday
- Olive class – Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 6

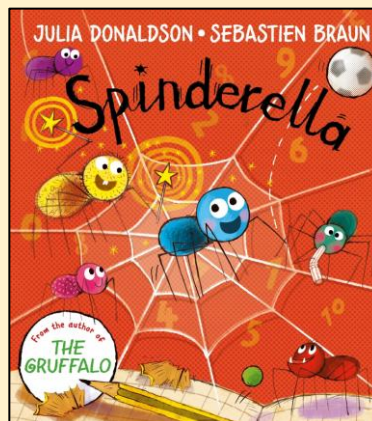
- Elm class – Monday and Tuesday
- Oak class – Tuesday and Thursday

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- Acer class – Monday (swimming)
- Ash class – Monday (swimming) and Thursday

Birthday Book Donations

Thank you and happy birthday to Freddie for the new copy of 'Spinderella' for the library.



Spinderella the spider has a passion for football! She tries to play a match with her brothers and sisters but she doesn't know how many spiders should be on each team. Even worse, she can't count the goals! Luckily for Spinderella, her Hairy Godmother has a plan . . .

Winter is Coming – Can you Help?



The magnificent planting displays, created by parents, are starting to lose their bloom as the weather changes.

We are looking for donations if you have any of the following going spare:

- Bulbs
- Plants (especially winter-flowering plants)

Please bring donations to the space outside Silver Birch classroom or the school office.

Thank you for your support.



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Churchfields Family Race to Support GOSH



**GREAT
ORMOND
STREET
HOSPITAL
CHARITY**

The Eduardo (Year 5) and Natalia (Year 3), along with their parents, will be running 5k in Hyde Park on Saturday to raise money for the Great Ormond Street Hospital who help seriously ill children from around the UK. They hope to raise £50 in sponsorship for the charity.

If you would like to sponsor them, you can donate here: [Click here](#)

You can find out more about the event [here](#), including how you can register on the day if you would like to get involved!

National Poetry Day Competition 2022



**National
Poetry
Day**

It is the week of National Poetry Day again and we will be running our annual competition to celebrate the poets in our school.

This year's theme is "The Environment".

Poems can be long or short, can rhyme or not, and can be serious or funny. An email has been sent today with more details.

The deadline for the poems is **Friday 4th November**.

We can't wait to hear your verses!

Some ideas to inspire the poems:

- What is our local environment like?
- What do you love about our environment?
- What lives in our environment?
- Is there anything you would change about our environment?
- What can we do to protect our environment?
- Who are famous environmentalists?



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Year 1 Explore the Local Area in Geography



'We went on a really long walk to find human and physical features. Our teacher asked us if it was a town or a village and we said town because there's loads of houses. Everybody got so hot because we had our coats and our high-vis on. It was fun.'

by Reuben, Stanley and Auggie

Class Assembly Dates 2022/23

Class assemblies will be held in the school hall, starting at 2.45pm.

Autumn Term

13.10.22	Ginkgo
03.11.22	Hazel
10.11.22	Sycamore
17.11.22	Baobab
24.11.22	Elm

Spring Term

26.01.23	Oak
02.02.23	Silver Birch
02.03.23	Hickory
09.03.23	Sumac
16.03.23	Olive
23.03.23	Ash

Summer Term

04.05.23	Cherry
11.05.23	Rowan
18.05.23	Palm
25.05.23	Acer
15.06.23	Beech



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 2022/23

Autumn Term

Last day of Autumn 1 term: Friday 21 October

Autumn half term holiday: Monday 24 October – Friday 28 October

First day of Autumn 2 term: Monday 31 October

Last day of Autumn 2 term: Friday 16 December

Spring Term

First day of Spring 1 term: Wednesday 4 January

Last day of Spring 1 term: Friday 10 February

Spring half term holiday: Monday 13 February – Friday 17 February

First day of Spring 2 term: Monday 20 February

Last day of Spring 2 term: Friday 31 March

Summer Term

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

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

