



Churchfields Primary School News

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16th September 2022

Points to note:

- School closed on Monday 19th September for Queen Elizabeth's State Funeral. School will re-open at the usual times on Tuesday 20th September
- As school is closed on Monday, the following events have been re-organised:
 - Swimming lessons for ARC Acer, ARC Ash and Year 5 Cherry classes will start on Monday 26th September
 - Secondary transfer meeting information will be posted as a video onto the school website next week
- Friday 23rd September – Year 3 Sumac class and half of Baobab class trip to Beckenham Library – parent/carer volunteers needed
- Monday 26th September – Year 3 Poplar class and half of Baobab class trip to Beckenham Library - parent/carer volunteers needed

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very positive second week of the school year and we are (hopefully) all getting used to early get-ups and back into the swing of school life.

We have had visits this week from the trust Director of Maths, Karen Taylor, and from our school improvement consultant, Nick Flesher, who were both impressed with the strong start to the year the children have made.

In my experience, great schools are always looking to improve and strive for excellence in all areas of school life and for all of the community they serve. An important part of this is to invite trusted colleagues who have/do run excellent schools themselves, and in some cases are serving Ofsted inspectors, along with your local governors and the curriculum directors from the trust to see the school and share their insights into what we are doing well and how we could improve further. We also have a number of staff at Churchfields who are studying for additional professional qualifications in a range of areas to add to our knowledge and, ultimately, to improve what we offer your children.

I was privileged to have a strategy 'away-day' this week with our CEO, John Grove, the Chair of Trustees and the Headteachers from the other schools in the trust. We reflected together on what has personally brought us into education, our emerging priorities for our schools and where we want to go next as a trust of like-minded schools working together. Thank you again to all of your children, yourselves and the staff, who are offering feedback and suggestions about what you would like to happen at Churchfields – these are very helpful to me as I get to know and understand the school more deeply in the coming weeks.

Wishing you a relaxing weekend and we will see you on Tuesday!



Ms Sarah Atherton
Headteacher



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

ChildLine
0800 1111

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.



HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN
1926-2022

We have taken time this week, during the national period of mourning, to learn more about and reflect upon Queen Elizabeth's life, the work she did and how monarchy in our country works as it passes to the next generation and King Charles III. You may want to use these images to talk at home about the moment of history we are living in.



Princess Elizabeth with her parents



With her favourite type of dog



At her father's coronation



Driving and maintaining vehicles as part of the war effort in 1945



Marriage to Prince Phillip in 1947



Two of her children, Charles and Anne, were born before she became Queen aged 25



Queen Elizabeth II at her coronation



A royal tour of Sierra Leone in 1961



England win the men's football World Cup in 1966



25 years as Queen – her silver jubilee portrait



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Prince Charles and Diana, Princess of Wales, wave on the balcony of Buckingham Palace on their wedding day



At a celebration in 1985 with some of the 15 British Prime Ministers who served during her 70 year reign.



2002 – a golden jubilee for 50 years as Queen



Inspecting some new army officers (including Prince Harry) as part of her role as head of the armed services



A serving Queen with the next three generations of future Kings



A Christmas Day broadcast by the Queen in 2017



A knighthood for Captain Sir Tom Moore, 2020



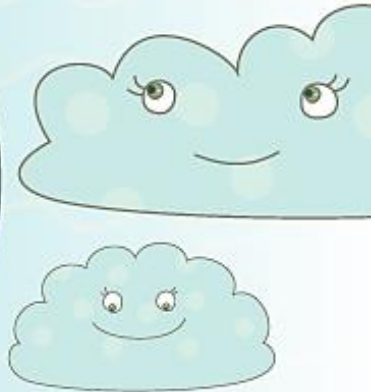
Watching a flypast from Buckingham Palace balcony following the trooping the colour, as part of the celebration of 70 years as Queen, the platinum jubilee



Waiting to receive the new Prime Minister for an audience, her last official task as Queen



Churchfields School
Nature fete
Sat 1st Oct. 12-3pm



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FOR ALL THE FAMILY



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- GLASS LANTERNS • FOREST SCHOOL ACTIVITIES •
- CAKE • HOT CHOCOLATE • TOAST MARSHMALLOWS •

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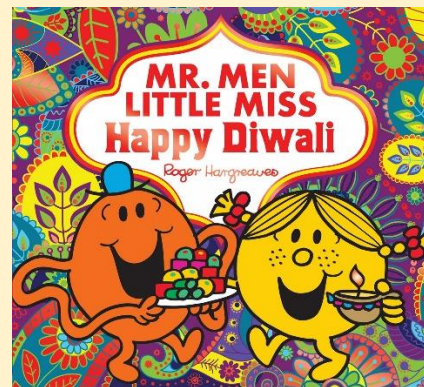
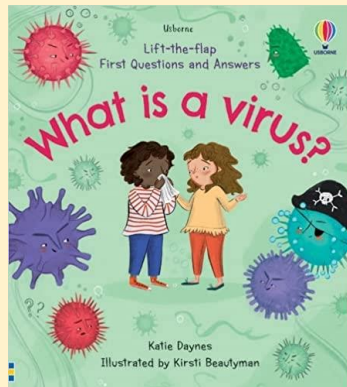
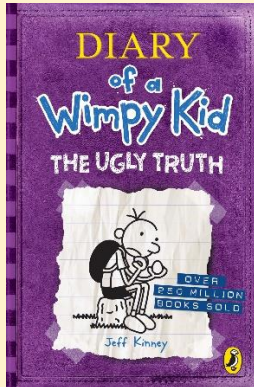


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Birthday Book Donations

Three more great books for the library this week – thank you for Erin for the copy of 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Truth'; thanks to Cecily for a fun lift-the-flap book called 'What is a Virus?' and finally, thank you to Kobi for 'Mr Men and Little Miss: Happy Diwali'.



Start and end of day

Timings

Start of day: Reception – Year 6

Gates open at 8.30am

Years 1 – 6

Teachers come out 8.45am

Bell rings and go inside 8.50am

Lesson 1 starts at 9am

Reception

Teachers come out at 8.50am

Children coming inside from 8.55am

End of Day: Reception – Year 6

Children are dismissed at the following times:

- Reception – 3.10pm
- Years 1 and 2 – 3.15pm
- Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 – 3.20pm

Nursery

Mornings 8.30 – 11.30am

Afternoons 12.30 – 3.30pm

Playground Equipment - Polite Reminder



We are very fortunate to have such fantastic equipment on our playgrounds and we want children to get the most out of it.

Please remember - parents and carers are responsible for their children using the equipment before and after school.



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Class Assembly Dates 2022/23

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

Autumn Term

29.09.22	Poplar
06.10.22	Maple
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

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