



Churchfields News



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5th September 2025

Dear Churchfields Families,

A warm welcome back and a special 'Welcome to Churchfields' to our new families joining the school, we're very happy to have you join our wonderful community. We had two excellent training days for staff at the start of the week including input from experts on anti-racism and how to teach writing. After a very wet start on Wednesday, the children have settled in beautifully and made a great start to their learning.

The new school meals are improved in taste and choice and have been very well received by the children (staff also had a sneak preview on Tuesday). We did a lot of work over the holidays redecorating the final 10 classrooms so that all rooms are fresh and bright (no more yellow/blue/green walls!). We are now working on removing the weeds that flourished over the hot summer! If you want to see a sample of what has been happening in school we post regularly on the school's Instagram page under [@churchfields_primary](#). Whilst you're giving us a follow, you might also want to have a look at the [PTA Instagram page](#).

I will send a full newsletter next week including key dates for your diaries for the year. In the meantime, some information for next week:

Reading

Children in Years 1 - 6 will have books at their reading level sent home over the course of next week along with a reading record. We will write in the record when we have read with your child in school and would ask that you do the same when you have read at home (up to and including Year 6!). Reception children will have books sent home when the teachers have finished assessing what is the right level for each child.

All children can borrow books from their class library or our school libraries to read for fun or interest at any time – we have invested in some new graphic novels and series of books at the children's request. Please do look after and return the school books – the PTA invested £24,000 in our reading books just under two years ago and we want to make that amazing investment last!

Extra-curricular clubs

All clubs will be up and running again from Monday. We have new clubs for tennis, fencing, debating and netball on offer this term. Information about clubs and how to book can be found on [our website](#).

Football clubs and team practise – no studs

Our field needs some recovery time after a lot of use over the last year and a very hot summer. For football clubs and team practise, children should wear trainers - no boots with studs – from now on.



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Century homework Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Children's logins and a letter explaining how to access and use the platform will be coming out next week. We also have a homework club if you would prefer your child to complete these activities in school and you can have access on the platform to 11+ practise materials if you wish to – all details will be in the letter.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Monday,

Sarah Atherton

Headteacher

Our number one priority is to ensure that all children and adults are safe. If you are worried about something or if you are worried about someone else, you can talk to ANYONE who works for the school.

Safeguarding is the responsibility of EVERYONE.

Childline: 0800 1111

Term Dates

AUTUMN TERM 2025

Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September 2025: Inset Days - school closed to children

Wednesday 3rd September 2025: Children's first day back for Autumn Term 1

Friday 24th October 2025: Last day of Autumn Term 1

Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October 2025: Autumn Half Term Holidays

Monday 3rd November 2025: INSET Day – school closed to children

Tuesday 4th November 2025- Children's first day back for Autumn Term 2

Friday 19th December 2025 - Last day of Autumn Term 2

Monday 22nd December 2025 - Friday 2nd January 2026 - Holidays

SPRING TERM 2026

Monday 5th January 2026: INSET day – school closed to children

Tuesday 6th January 2026: Children's first day back for Spring Term 1

Friday 13th February 2026: Last day of Spring Term 1

Monday 16th to Friday 20th February 2026: Spring Half Term Holidays

Monday 23rd February 2026: Children's first day back for Spring Term 2

Friday 27th March 2026: Last day of Spring term 2

Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April 2026: Holidays

Full term dates for 2025-26 year are [on our website](#).