

# CHURCHFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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"Be the best you can be"

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28th January 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you to the parents who have contacted me regarding the role of school governor. I will be contacting you this week to talk further about the role and to give you an insight into this valued position within school. If anyone else is interested in being considered please drop me an email on <a href="mailto:headteacher@cfp.school">headteacher@cfp.school</a>

#### Attend today, Achieve tomorrow

This week, the Government have launched a major national drive to improve school attendance. This is something we are very passionate about at our school and we fully support this initiative. Every day in school matters and regular attendance plays a pivotal role in helping our children achieve more during their school lives and beyond.

#### Reading

Reading is the key to everything! It allows children to access every area of the curriculum, be it mathematics, questions in science or completing a piece of research for a history topic. It also allows us to escape to other worlds, helps us to relax and calm our minds and bring great pleasure. This is why reading is so important.

Academically, the expectation is that at the end of Key Stage 1 children should be reading 90 words a minute. At Key Stage 2 the expectation is around 110 words per minute.

The thing that makes the biggest difference to your child is reading more! Research, which looked at the impact of parents reading with their children, highlighted that by the time a child is 5:

- Children who never read or have stories read to them will have heard 4,662 words
- A child that reads 1-2 times a week will have heard (and may have used) 63,570 words.
- A child that reads 3-5 times a week will have heard (and may have used) 169,520 words
- A child that reads daily will have heard (and may have used) 296,660 words

Remember, just 10 minutes a day can make a huge difference.

# Dates for this term

1st February Year 1 Chester Zoo Visit

9<sup>th</sup> February break up for one week

19th February school reopens

26<sup>th</sup> February Year 5 @CCSC

4th March World Book week – letter to follow

5<sup>th</sup> March 2:15 Lovely ladies EYFS (Reception and Nursery)

8<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day

12<sup>th</sup> March 2:15 Year 4 Miss Brown Class assembly

12th March 2:15 KS1 and EYFS Easter Crafts

14<sup>th</sup> March 9:00 Year 2 Miss Bailey class assembly

15<sup>th</sup> March Red Nose Day – letter to follow from school council

18<sup>th</sup> March Year 4 Mrs Soboljew class assembly

19th March 9:00 Year 2 Mrs Mawdsley class assembly

19<sup>th</sup> March Parents evening 3:00 – 4:30

20<sup>th</sup> March Parents evening 3:00 – 6:30

21st March 9:00 6C class assembly

22<sup>nd</sup> March 3:00 break up for Easter

# **School dates**

# Spring Term 2024

**Term Starts:** Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January

**End of Half Term:** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

**Holiday:** Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February

**School Starts:** Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February

**Term Ends:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

**Holiday:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

Summer Term 2024

<u>Training day</u> Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April **Term Starts:** Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April

May Day: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

Y6 statutory SATs testing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May (Y6 MUST be in school)

End of Half Term: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

**Holiday:** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

School Starts: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June
Term Ends: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July
Training day Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

### Stars of the Week

Nursery Mrs Clowes Oliver Dale for being a very caring member of our class Reception Mrs Locker Elsie Hulson for being a pleasure to have in our class! Reception Mrs Nixon Olly Hollings for his excellent progress in his phonics skills which is helping him to read books 1B Joel Arrowsmith for always being a superstar! 1M Harley Maddox for working hard this week 2B Oscar Rodgers for working hard in all his lessons 2M Tyler Shaw for excellent understanding in mathematics 3R Lottie Cope for always trying her best 3S Charlotte Hammonds for always being a great role model 4B Leighton-Blake Amison for excellent perseverance in mathematics. 4S Poppy Crane for trying her hardest in all lessons 5A Marriette Obioha for her enthusiasm in learning all the time and for always putting in maximum effort 5L Logan Hemmings for showing great resilience in mathematics 6C Amelia Elkins-Shaw for being a deep-thinker and always asking inquisitive and intriguing questions Dylan Harper always being the very best that he can be 6S

# PE Stars

#### **EYFS**

Holly-Ann Woodward (RSL) for always showing how to 'Be the best you can be'

#### KS1

Archie Bolton (1B) for good partner work in dance and always helping

# LKS2

Bertie Pattison (4B) for always showing positivity and being an all-round inspiration

#### UKS2

Lewis Maddox (5L) for showing a positive attitude in problem solving tasks

# **Head Teacher's Stars**

NURSERY Lilly Forshaw for fantastic phonics this week

RECEPTION Maya Ward for impressing Mrs Mawdsley with her writing!

Y1&2 Finley Buckfield for excellent reading of his story about the boxfish

Y3&4 Josie Cosens for always being the best she can be

Y5&6 Mia Hastings for always being a delight

#### 10 Blues:

Elsie Hulson, Alarya Carnall, Donnie Viggars, Scarlett Rutter, Isaac Barrs, Linkon Wales, Olivia Pitchers, Logan Jackson, Elsie Podmore, Grace Copeland, Evie-Lou Sargeant, Edie Clewlow, Alessia Fiore, Ayla Gajewski

# And joining this week:

Harry Clark, Harvey Washington, Layton Bosson-Taylor, Minnie Clewes, Hannah Pitchers and Olivia Hammonds

# **Attendance**

Y3 best year group attendance of the week 96%

Attendance best class this week = 6C 98%

We must also praise: Nursery, Reception Nixon, 2B and 4S (96%) 3S (97%)

Whole school attendance for the week is 95%

Team of the Week Team of the term, so far

R 2,532 R 5,238 Y 2,575 Y 5,289 G 2,513 G 5,295 B 2,522 B 5,182

Any general queries or if you are unsure who to contact – <a href="mailto:office@cfp.school">office@cfp.school</a> or <a href="mailto:headteacher@cfp.school">headteacher@cfp.school</a> Thank you for your continued support,

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