



CHURCHFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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11th September 2022

Dear parents and carers,

A big welcome to all of our new parents and welcome back to all our 'old' parents. The children, as always, have been fantastic and have come into school and have got straight back to learning. It has been lovely to see the children return to school, after a summer holiday of good weather and I have enjoyed hearing tales about time with families, holidays in the sun and in some cases new additions joining the families.

We are pleased to welcome Miss Dowling in Nursery who will be helping Mrs Clowes and Mrs Bennett to help our youngest children settle into school. Just before the summer holiday, Mr Cotton welcomed his first child, Elsie Kathleen Cotton and over the summer, Miss Lawton got married and became Mrs Smith.



I have really been looking forward to writing my weekend letter without having to make reference to COVID. However from conversations I have had with many of you, I know the cost-of-living crisis and trying to spread an already stretched budget to go further has become your number one priority. Firstly, let me reassure you that there are no plans to shorten the school week, as reported in the press over the summer holiday. This is not something that we are looking at.

We would like to be able to support you as families as much as possible, so if any of you have old uniform that is in good condition and may be of use to another family then please donate to school. If you require any school uniform, then please check if we have any available.

We will endeavour to keep costs down in school and will try and ensure that we give as much notice as possible for educational visits and enrichment activities. Remember when we have own clothes day and other charity events these are voluntary and please do not feel obliged to contribute if money is tight – I know you will support where you can.

However, we have had to make an increase in cost for one area of school life. From the 19th September, we are unable to hold off an increase to the price of a school dinner. Due to the rising cost of supplies and pressure resulting from the current cost of living crisis, all the Trust schools will be on the set price of £2.57 for a meal. This is set by the catering company who we are contracted out to – we do not profit from this

You should have received a letter from your child's class teacher via MarvellousMe. Hopefully you have all got your log on details for this. If you haven't logged on yet, please contact the office and they will help to get this sorted. This is vital as we not only send letters via this app but it also helps you to see what your child is doing in school.

We are now into the second full year of our crucial knowledge curriculum and the children are starting to show that they know more and remember more. Your children are sharing their knowledge and understanding with each other and the adults in school. The curriculum is planned to give the children a wide base of knowledge alongside the core subjects of English and mathematics.

RIP Queen Elizabeth II

Whatever your views are about the royal family, you cannot deny the impact of the Queen's life and legacy. For all of my life she has been a constant presence and has shown what true leadership looks like and for me, no more so than her fantastic words of support during the pandemic. A life well-lived, well-loved and dedicated to the country and Commonwealth she loved. She has moved the monarchy into the modern age and has shaped history. The thought of a Christmas Day without the Queen's speech and money and stamps without her image is hard to imagine. In school on Friday, classes spent some of their learning time looking at the life of this amazing woman. On **Monday 19th September**, school will be closed as this has been declared a bank holiday in order for all who would like to, to join together and commemorate her life and watch the funeral.



School Terms and Holiday Dates 2022 -2023

As always, please avoid booking holidays in term-time. They can only be authorised if they are 'exceptional' circumstances. I have limited capacity to authorise holidays. Our registers are externally checked and there are strict guidelines in place.

Autumn Term 2022

Staff & Pupils Tuesday 6th September – Friday 21st October

Holiday: Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October

Training day: **Monday 31st October – School Closed**

Staff & Pupils Tuesday 1st November – Friday 16th December

Holiday: **Monday 19 December – Monday 2 January**

Spring Term 2023

Training day: **Tuesday 3 January – School Closed**

Staff & Pupils Wednesday 4th January – Friday 17th February

Holiday: Monday 20 February – Friday 24 February

Staff & Pupils Monday 27th February - Thursday 30th March

Training day: **Friday 31st March – School Closed**

Holiday: Monday 3rd April – Friday 14 April

Summer Term 2023

Staff & Pupils: Monday 17 April

Holiday: Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June

Staff & Pupils: Monday 5th June – Friday 21st July

Holiday: Monday 24th July – Friday 1st September

Stars of the week

Nursery	Maya Ward for a super start to Nursery and joining in all activities
Reception Mrs Locker	Rebeca Sinitari, for a fantastic first week in Reception!
Reception Mrs Nixon	Daisy-Mae Dale for a super start in reception
1B	Ruby Sargeant for telling me she is ready for any challenge in year 1! Having a can-do attitude!
1M	Sidney Lee Sargeant for a super first week
2M	Ayla Tugrul for having a fantastic first week back in school
2R	Parker Smith for a super start to the year and an excellent attitude to his learning
3HS	Kain Beasant for a super start to Y3
3RS	Zoe Halasz for a fantastic attitude to learning
4B	Linkin Sargeant for an amazing start to year 4
4S	Darci Nelson fabulous first week back!
5A	Amelia-Grace Amison for an excellent start to year 5
5S	Joshua Jackson for an enthusiastic start to year 5
6C	Angel Colton for an exceptional start to year 6
6S	Logan-James Oldbury-Royal for an excellent start to year 6

Head Teacher Awards for the week

NUR	Poppy Sargeant for being a delightful member of nursery
RECEPTION	Reggie Harding for fantastic manners and being the best, he can be
Y1&2	Oscar Rodgers always being the best he can be
Y3&4	Penny Bennett excellent recall of crucial knowledge
Y5&6	Blake Christer for being the best he can be

Friday 16th September is National Teaching Assistant Day. As a school we would not be able to function without the help and hard work of our teaching assistants. I want to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to them for always going the extra mile. I am sure you will join me on Friday in saying thank you to our amazing teaching assistants.

A reminder if you have any questions then please contact your class teacher. They can be contacted on the following emails:

nursery@cfp.school

reception@cfp.school

year.1@cfp.school

year.2@cfp.school

year.3@cfp.school

year.4@cfp.school

year.5@cfp.school

year.6@cfp.school

Any general queries or if you are unsure who to contact – office@cfp.school or headteacher@cfp.school

Thank you for your continued support,

Diane Beardsmore
Headteacher