

CHURCHFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear parents and carers,

We have had a fantastic week back with the children spending the week on recall and retrieval. Our school curriculum plan is that children know more, remember more, understand and apply more. Retrieval supports children to move learning from their short term to long term memory. Being able to 'find' the information we need, when we need it, is the basis of retrieval practice (It has been taught but has it been learned?). Retrieval practice needs to be regular but not overly repetitive in method. Retrieval is most effective if it is spaced out (eg self-quiz learning from yesterday's lesson, last week's lesson, last month's lesson).

This retrieval or recall is why you will often hear your child say that they are revisiting and recalling information and knowledge that they have looked at before. It is an important step in ensuring that children can recall the knowledge as and when they need it. The more the knowledge is easily to retrieve the easier the children will find it to complete all aspects of schoolwork.

You can help your child by:

- Reading with them. They may have read the book before but being able to read quickly and accurately. Reading fluency is really important. (Fluency is reading words without stopping to 'sound them out'.)
- To know their phonics (use jolly phonics YouTube clips to help with sounds and blending)
- Number and letter formation (writing out the numbers 1-10 and the alphabet
- Knowing their CK this is on the school website and for year 4,5 and 6 on their IPADS. By trying to learn these knowledge facts it will help them to apply and understand

Next week at parents evening you may wish to ask your child's class teacher what specific area your child needs to focus on. Please make sure that you have made your appointment by following the link that was emailed to you.

This week I received a lovely email praising the hard work of Miss Bagguley. It was lovely to receive as it is lovely to hear the impact we have on the children and how they are recalling the crucial knowledge. We are always open to hearing things we can improve on, but it is also nice to hear when you feel we are doing something right. Well done, Miss Bagguley.

Take a Book - Leave a Book- Read a Book



As a school, we place reading as high priority and the children from Nursery to Year 6 are all developing a love of reading, which is fantastic to see. As a staff team, we also enjoy reading in school as well as outside of school and have our own staffroom library.

We are delighted to tell you about a new feature on our playground (under the shelter, on the KS2 yard) for parents and carers to use for free! Our Little Library is full of a range of books for adults and the idea is that you take a book to read and leave a book. If you have any books that you would just like to donate to the library, please add them in or bring them into the office.

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 with very little 'wiggle' room regarding authorisation.

Autumn Term 2022

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 Aiyla-Rae Baker for brilliant talking this week

Reception Mrs. Locker Thomas Barham for trying so hard with his reading this week!

Reception Mrs. Nixon Zac Harper for being the best he can be

1B Gabriel Avram for working very hard in Maths!

1M Taylor Plant for trying hard to improve his handwriting

2M Neveah Thorley for excellent writing in English

2R Oscar Arkle for super effort

3HS Nancie Smith for always being kind and helpful

3RS Ava- Mae Diskin for being super helpful

4B Paulina Cypryanska for always joining in with class discussions

4S Evelyn Whitehouse for always trying her best and being kind

5A Daisy Booth for always being the best she can be

5S Kaumi Weerasingha for excellent behaviour and positive attitude

6C Carla-Eve Chadwick for always being the very best she can be

6S Oliver Pointon for always making good choices with his

learning

Head Teachers awards

| NUR | Kamaran Majid for following instructions well |
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| RECEPTION | Olivia Pitchers for being the best she can be |

Y1&2 George Gray for being a good friend

Y3&4 Tommy James Mathews for making good choices Y5&6 Lois Barlow for a positive attitude to her studies

Attendance

Years 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6 are all above 96% (Y5 are on 95% and improving)
Whole school is 96%

TEAM POINTS

| R 1,230 | R 7,129 |
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| Y 1,283 | Y 7,512 |
| G 1,481 | G 8,223 |
| B 1,459 | B 8,069 |

Outstanding work

Year 6 were studying key scenes in the play Macbeth and converting Macbeth into modern English. One scene converted was Act 4, scene 1 with the added complication that it needed to still rhyme. This is an outstanding example by Alexis Oliver.

Act IV scene i

(In a cave, the witches are creating a potion)

Witch 1 Hover around the cauldron go

Implant the items that we throw.

Witch 2 Rat's tail and burn meat,

Eye of newt and a dead man's boot.

Witch 3 Stale kale, piece of wheat,

Mango fruit and pirate's loot.

All three Trouble and toil and bubble with glee,

With our ancestors who help us see.

Witch 2 Here comes Macbeth looking for news.

Witch1 So that he can see his views.

Macbeth (Entering) I would like some answers, please,

I have been begging on my knees, This nightmare has not let me sleep,

Dream, I do not want to keep

All three It is not yet the midnight hour,

So, I'll let you feel our power.

(Thunder and lightning crashes as the ancestors appear)

Ancestors There is no way to undo this curse,

This will be my very last verse.

We will be adding outstanding work to the website so keep your eyes peeled.

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