



Churchfields News



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31 January 2025

Dear Churchfields Families,

We have reached the end of another great week here at Churchfields. Cherry Class put on a wonderful class assembly on Tuesday, really entertaining the whole audience, and Years 1 and 2 welcomed parents & carers in for their open classrooms. There has been some great science in Year 3, be sure to ask your children about their experiments, and many year groups have been continuing their work on fractions – ask the children all about it!

You should now have the link to our parents/carers' evening meetings and have hopefully signed up to meet your child's class teacher. Please do so before the link closes on Friday 7th February.

As you may know, the Waldo Road Recycling Centre closes for a year as of this weekend, so we are expecting a traffic increase along Churchfields Road during this time. I am speaking with Veolia about how we can minimise disruption to our school community. Please bear the extra traffic flow in mind when walking or driving to and from school. I would also like to remind you the car park is for staff use only, unless by prior agreement with school.

In other local news, Beckenham Library is reopening after its refurbishment on Wednesday 5th February.

Have a wonderful and safe weekend,

Sally White
Deputy Headteacher



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Dates for your Diary:

Spring Term Open Classrooms - Come along to the classroom at 2.45pm so the children can show you their learning. **Year 5** – 3rd February, **Year 4** – 5th February, **Year 6** – 6th February.

Class Assemblies - Class assemblies will be held in the school's Main Hall, starting promptly at 2.45pm. **Year 4 Aspen** – 4th February, **Year 4 Hazel** – 4th March, **Year 4 Sycamore** – 11th March, **Year 3 Poplar** – 18th March, **Year 3 Sumac** – 25th March.

Understanding the Year 4 'Multiplication Tables Check' Parent/Carer Webinars – Tuesday 4th February 2-3pm and again at 5.30pm-6.30pm. Further details on the next page.

Closing date for Nursery applications for September 2025 – Friday 7th February, 5pm – further information and application forms [available here](#).

Parents/Carers' Evenings – Week beginning 10th February – further details to follow

Spring Half Term: Monday 17th to Friday 21st February.

World Book Day: Thursday 6th March.

Churchfields Culture Celebration Week: Monday 31st March – Friday 4th April.

Last day of Spring Term: Friday 4th April.



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Understanding the Year 4 'Multiplication Tables Check' Parent/Carer Webinar

To help parents and carers with strategies to support children learning their times tables and in understanding the Government's statutory Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC), the Director of Maths from the Q1E Trust will be offering an online webinar on Tuesday 4 February at 2-3pm and again at 5.30-6.30pm. It is open to all parents/carers but may be of most interest to those with children in Year 4.

Tuesday 4 February, 2-3pm: [Zoom Link](#)

Meeting ID: 897 9522 4432

Passcode: XtablesPM

Tuesday 4 February, 5.30pm-6.30pm: [Zoom Link](#)

Meeting ID: 863 2816 4574

Passcode: XtablesEVE



Spare Uniform Please

We have very few spare clothes for children to use if they need to change. If you are clearing out a drawer or cupboard, please think of us and send in any of the following, good condition, items – in all sizes.

- Underwear
- Socks
- Tights
- Trousers
- Skirts

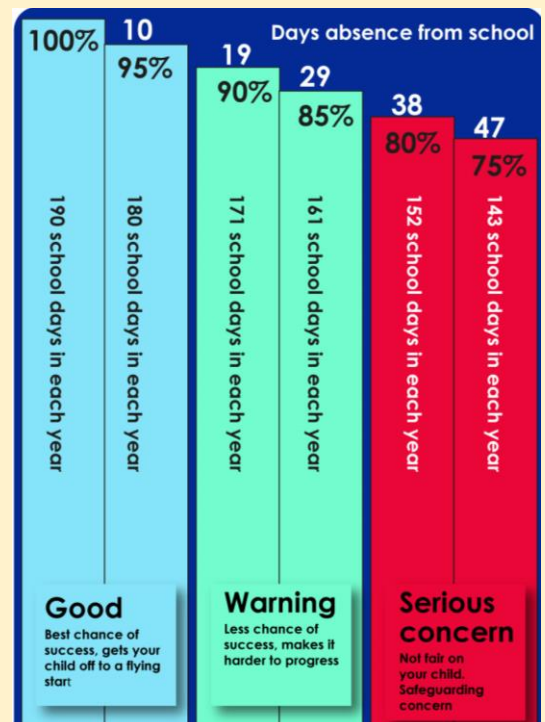
Please bring donations to the office. Thank you in advance!

Attendance and Punctuality

For your child to fulfil their potential and have the best educational experience at school, good attendance and punctuality are vital. Having just a few days off here and there can negatively affect how your child feels about school and their achievement, in the short and long term.

Schools have a duty to monitor attendance continually throughout the year. Miss McAndrew may call or write to you if your child's attendance falls or causes concern. We will support and work with you to help improve attendance wherever we can.

We understand that when children are unwell, they may need to stay at home. If this is the case, please ensure you email attendance@churchfields.q1e.org.uk or call 020 8650 5247 by 9am, giving us the specific reason why they will be absent.





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Year 1 Maths

Year 1 have started working with numbers up to 40 this week. They have partitioned them into 10s and 1s, positioned them on number lines and used counters to make them into 10s frames.



Culture Week is back!

Every year Churchfields Culture Week just gets bigger and better! Last year, the end of week fair was a roaring success thanks to all the families that participated.

If you would like to take part this year, please [email Mrs Blundell](#) by Friday 7th March 2025.

Forest School

Last week, our pupils took part in an exciting bird watching experience where they helped to collect valuable data for the [RSPB](#). Armed with binoculars and observation charts, the children identified and documented different bird species spotted around forest school and school grounds.

The Big Garden Birdwatch is open until 23 February. [You can take part here.](#)



Lunar New Year

Our Reception classes have been enjoying learning all about Lunar New Year this week. In our child initiated sessions, there have been lots of great creations, including a wonderful dragon which we paraded through the school.



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.

Term Dates

Spring Term 2025

Inset Day: Monday 6 January – school closed to children
First day of Spring 1: Tuesday 7 January
Last day of Spring 1: Friday 14 February
Spring half term: Monday 17 to Friday 21 February
First day of Spring 2: Monday 24 February
Last day of Spring 2: Friday 4 April
Holidays: Monday 7 April to Monday 21 April

Summer Term 2025

Inset Day: Tuesday 22 April – school closed to children
First day of Summer 1: Wednesday 23 April
Bank holiday: Monday 5 May – school closed
Last day of Summer 1: Friday 23 May
Summer half term: Monday 26 to Friday 30 May
First day of Summer 2: Monday 2 June
Last day of Summer 2: Tuesday 22 July

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