



Churchfields News

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9th January 2026

Dear Churchfields Families,

Welcome back to school and a Happy New Year to you all!

I hope you all had a good holiday and we have had a great start to 2026 - despite the cold and rain - this week. On Monday, our teachers had training with Dr Tim Mills on teaching paragraphing, from the CEO of the British Dyslexia Association on understanding dyslexia and from the providers of our new spelling programme which will be coming soon.

The key dates for this half term are below for your diaries with sporting fixtures on the second page. I hope this is helpful to you and thank you as always for supporting the school and your children's education.

Have a good weekend,

Sarah Atherton
Headteacher



Reception 'dinosaurs' practising their bowling skills



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Coming up in Spring 1:

Year 5 Olive class assembly - Tuesday 13th January, 2.45pm

ARC Parent Workshop - Wednesday 14th January, 9.15am

DEADLINE Closing Date for Reception Applications for September 2026 – Thursday 15th January

Debating team competition - Tuesday 20th January

Year 5 Cypress class assembly - Tuesday 20th January, 2.45pm

Secondary school workshop for Year 5 ARC parents - Wednesday 21st January, 9am

Parent/Carer coffee morning with Headteacher - Friday 23rd January, 9am

ARC dance workshop - Friday 23rd January

Bakesale for Battersea Cats and Dogs Home - Friday 23rd January, after school

Year 5 Cherry class assembly - Tuesday 27th January, 2.45pm

Year 6 Ash class assembly - Tuesday 3rd February, 2.45pm

DEADLINE Closing Date for Nursery Applications for September 2026 – Friday 6th February

World Book Day Costume Swap - Monday 9th - Friday 13th February

Year 6 trips to National Portrait Gallery - Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th February

ARC Magnolia Parent/Carer evenings - Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th February, 3.45 - 6.30pm

Whole school Parent/Carer evenings - Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th February, 3.45 - 6.30pm

Anti-Racism Parent/Carer Forum - Friday 13th February, 9am

Last Day of Spring Term 1 - Friday 13th February, school closes at usual times

Spring Half Term Holidays - Monday 16th to Friday 20th February

First Day of Spring Term 2 – Monday 23rd February, school starts at usual times

See below for Sports Fixtures

Full term dates for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 academic years are available [on our website](https://www.churchfields.kent.sch.uk/our-school/term-dates/).



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Reception and Nursery Applications

Applications for Reception for September 2026 entry close on **Thursday 15th January 2026** and are made directly through Bromley Council. Further details and an application form [are available here](#). Bromley Council will notify you directly of your Reception place on Thursday 16th April.

For those of you interested in a nursery place for September 2026, the closing date for applications is **Friday 6th February 2026** and the [forms can be downloaded here](#) and returned to the school office.

If you would like to come on a tour of the school on Monday 12th January for Reception places or Thursday 22nd, Tuesday 27th and Friday 30th January for Nursery places, have any other questions, or need help with your application, please just call into the school office or email us on admin@churchfields.q1e.org.uk and we will be very happy to help.

Birthday Books

Thank you to Rosa in Year 3 for *Santa and Son* by David Walliams and to Oliver in Year 3 for *The Earth*.



Pupil Achievements

Many congratulations to Coco who won a trophy for her outstanding achievements in tap dance and to Mani and Lyra who won a trophy for their outstanding achievements in street dance. The children all attend the Lucy Lovick Dance school.



Many congratulations too to Finn in Sycamore class who achieved his brown belt in karate at the end of December, his seventh belt.

Sports Fixtures coming up

Date	Event	Home/Away
Tuesday 13 th January	Netball vs Royal Russell	Away
Tuesday 20 th January	Boys Football vs Worsley Bridge	Home
Thursday 22 nd January	Girls and Y3/4 Football vs Royal Russell	Away
Tuesday 27 th January	Girls football vs Farnborough	Home
Thursday 29 th January	Girls Football vs Pickhurst	Away
Tuesday 3rd February	Boys Football vs Midfield	Home
Wednesday 4 th February	Boys Football vs Royal Russell (4 teams)	Away
Tuesday 10 th February	Girls Football vs Green St Green	Home
Monday 9 th March	Year 3/4 netball vs Royal Russell	Away
Saturday 21 st March	Year 3/4 cross-country at Crystal Palace	Away

We will share dates of other football and Bromley borough events when we have them.