

20th December 2024

#### Dates for your diary:

#### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December to Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January

- School closed for holidays and INSET day
- o On-site childcare available, bookings open now CLICK HERE

#### Tuesday 7th January

Children's first day of Spring 1 term, start at the usual times

#### Friday 10th January

o Year 3 trip to Beckenham Place - Rocks and Soils workshop

#### Tuesday 14th January

o Year 5 Olive class assembly, 2.45pm at school

#### Wednesday 15th January

- Deadline for applications to join Reception in September 2025
- o Coffee Morning for Nursery and Reception parents and carers, 9am at school

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a fantastically festive last week of the autumn term and 2024 with two nativity performances, a carol concert, an appreciation lunch for all of our wonderful support staff, the finals of Churchfields's Got Talent and the week was topped off by the children's Christmas lunch today. Thank you for all your support and loud clapping and cheering this week – it makes the children's day. On behalf of the whole staff team, I wish you a happy, healthy and peaceful holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in 2024! Sarah Atherton

Headteacher









## **Churchfields Brings Festive Cheer to the Community**

Our school council created some imaginative Christmas decorations using empty cardboard toilet roll and offcuts of paper. The decorations are now up on display in Elmers End train station bringing a little bit of cheer to the morning commute!







## Extra-Curricular Clubs Spring 2025 - Places Available

Spring 2025 Extracurricular After school club Timetable						
		Club	Year Group	Start time	Finish time	Pick up / Drop off point
Monday		Churchfields Football Team practice	Year 5 - 6	08:00	Straight to class	Nursery Gate
		Chaos Art Club	R - Year 6	After school	16:30	Palm class entrance
		EWTB Football Club - Years 1 - 6	Year 1 - 6	After school	16:30	Nursery Gate
	NEW	Lorna's Tennis	Year 1 - 6	After school	16:15	Nursery Gate
		Spotlights - Musical Theatre	R - Year 2	After school	16:45	Outside the office
Tuesday		Prostars Girls only football - Morning club	Year 3 - 6	08:00	Straight to class	Nursery Gate
		Inkhead - creative Writing	Year 3 - 6	After school	16:30	Outside the office
		Churchfields Choir	Year 3 - 6	After school	16:30	Outside the office
Wednesday		Premier Chess Coaching - Morning club	R - Year 6	08:00	Straight to class	Drop off office
		EWTB Coaching - Multisports	Year 1 - 6	After school	16:30	Nursery Gate
		EWTB Football Club - Reception only	R	After school	16:30	Nursery Gate
	NEW	Lorna's Tennis	Year 1 - 6	After school	16:15	Nursery Gate
	NEW	Wildlife Wonders - 6 weeks only	Ages 6 - 11 years	After school	16:30	Outside the office
Thursday		Churchfields Football Team practice	Year 5 - 6	08:00	Straight to class	Nursery Gate
		Prostars Football	R - Year 6	After school	16:30	Nursery Gate
	NEW	London Ballet Company - Dance Club	Year 1 - 6	After school	16:20	Outside the office
		EWTB Coaching Basketball	Year 2 - 6	After school	16:30	Black gates at the Office
Friday		J'aimes Gymnastics lunchtime club	R - Year 3	12:15	12:45	N/A
		J'aimes Gymnastics	R - Year 6	After school	16:30	Outside the office
		Inkhead - creative Writing	Years 4 - 6	After school	16:30	Palm Class entrance

A number of the clubs still have spaces available – please follow the links on our website to book

https://www.churchfields-q1e.org.uk/for-our-parentscarers/extra-curricular-clubs/



#### What a Talented Bunch!



Children from Years 2 – 6 gathered in the Main Hall yesterday afternoon for the exciting finale of Churchfields's Got Talent 2024.

There were amazing talents on display including magic, mime, singing, dancing, drama, Irish dancing and playing instruments. The children were a fantastic audience for the bold performers and the judges had a hard task to choose just one winning act.

The organising committee thanked every child who took part for their bravery and effort and we must say they did a great job in organising the competition in their spare time and also running the show in their gold and black sequin jackets.

The overall winners were 'The Dynamite Divas' from Year 5 with their very well-choreographed and rehearsed dance routine – congratulations!





## **Year 6 History Day**

Year 6 have rounded off their World War 2 history topic with a theme day with dressing up, code cracking and artwork!









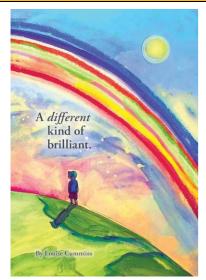




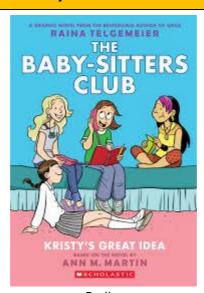




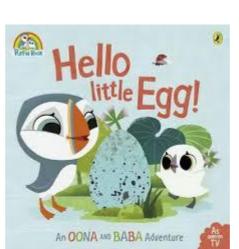
## **Birthday Book Donations**



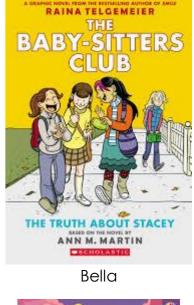
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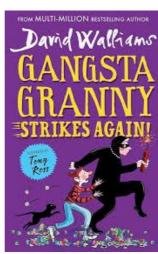


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A bumper crop of brthday books – thank you so much and a very happy birthday to all of these children!





### Class Assemblies 2024/25

Class assemblies will be held in the school's Main Hall, starting promptly at 2.45pm.

Spring Term		Summer Term		
14.01.25	Year 5 Olive	06.05.25	Year 2 Hickory	
21.01.25	Year 5 Cypress	13.05.25	Year 2 Maple	
28.01.25	Year 5 Cherry	10.06.25	Year 1 Rowan	
04.02.25	Year 4 Aspen	17.06.25	Year 1 Silver Birch	
04.03.25	Year 4 Hazel	24.06.25	Reception Palm	
11.03.25	Year 4 Sycamore	01.07.25	Reception Beech	
18.03.25	Year 3 Poplar			
25.03.25	Year 3 Sumac			

### Open Classrooms 2024/25

Come along to the classroom at 2.45pm so the children can show off their learning and work.

Spring te	rm	Summer	Term
22.01.25	Reception	05.06.25	Year 6
27.01.25	Year 1	09.06.25	Reception
29.01.25	Year 2	12.06.25	Year 1
30.01.25	Year 3	16.06.25	Year 2
03.02.25	Year 5	18.06.25	Year 3
05.02.25	Year 4	19.06.25	Year 4
06.02.25	Year 6	23.06.25	Year 5

Apple class, ARC Holly and ARC Magnolia will write to you separately about when the children will share their learning with you.

## Parent/Carer Evenings 2024/25

#### Spring term

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February, 3.45 – 6.30pm Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February, 3.45 – 6.30pm

#### Summer term

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July, 3.45 – 5.30pm

Please note – in the summer term you will receive your child's end of year report before the parent/carer evening.

## Special Events 2024/25

- World Book day: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March
- Churchfields Culture Celebration Week: Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April
- Sports days on school field:
  - Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and ARC Holly on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 9 – 11am
  - Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6 and ARC Magnolia on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 9 11am





We are part of the Penge School Uniform Hub

## Penge School Uniform Hub

# Save money and the planet: buy preloved uniform!

Sense charity shop, 104 High Street, Penge (next to the Post Office)

General uniform suitable for all schools available, as well as specifics for Alexandra, St John's and Churchfields Schools, with more coming soon!

Open Mon-Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 10am-4pm

Organised by Alexandra Junior School PTFA.
For more info, contact: <a href="mailto:treasurer@ajsptfa.org.uk">treasurer@ajsptfa.org.uk</a>
Supported by Penge BID







## Penge School Uniform Hub!

Pre-loved Churchfields school uniform in sizes age 2 to 15 is now available 7 days a week from the Sense charity shop on Penge High Street.

100s of items in stock - so much it won't all fit on the shop floor, so please ask if you cannot find the size you need. **Dresses**, **skirts**, **trousers**, **shorts**, **jumpers and cardigans all £1**. **Polos shirts 50p**. This new collaboration between Sense Penge and multiple local primary schools means that parents now have a single one-stop-shop to find affordable second-hand school uniform for their primary age children.

All proceeds to the Sense charity.





#### Term Dates 2024/25

Autumn Term 2024	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024	INSET – school closed to children	
	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2024	INSET – school closed to children	
	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Children's first day back – Autumn 1	
	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Last day of Autumn 1	
	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2024	Half Term Holidays	
	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	INSET – school closed to children	
	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Children's first day back – Autumn	
	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Last day of Autumn 2	
	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2024 to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2025	Holidays	
	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	INSET – school closed to children	
	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Children's first day back – Spring 1	
Spring	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Last day of Spring 1	
Spring Term 2025	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2025	Half Term Holidays	
2025	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Children's first day back – Spring 2	
	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Last day of Spring 2	
	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> April to Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	Holidays	
	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	INSET – school closed to children	
	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025	Children's first day back – Summer 1	
S	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	School closed – Bank Holiday	
Summer Term 2025	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Last day of Summer 1	
	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Half Term Holidays	
	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025	Children's first day back – Summer 2	
	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	Last day of Summer 2 – finish at 1.30pm, After School Club until 4pm	





## **Term Dates 2025/26**

	Monday 1st September 2025 INSET – school closed to children			
Autumn Term 2025				
	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2025	INSET – school closed to children		
	Wednesday 3rd September 2025	Children's first day back – Autumn 1		
	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Last day of Autumn 1		
	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	Half Term Holidays		
	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	INSET – school closed to children		
	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Children's first day back – Autumn 2		
	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Last day of Autumn 2		
	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025 to Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2026	Holidays		
	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	INSET – school closed to children		
	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Children's first day back – Spring 1		
Consider on	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Last day of Spring 1		
Spring Term	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Half Term Holidays		
2026	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	Children's first day back – Spring 2		
	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Last day of Spring 2		
	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March to Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Holidays		
	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	INSET – school closed to children		
Summer Term 2026	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Children's first day back – Summer 1		
	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	School closed – Bank Holiday		
	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	Last day of Summer 1		
	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Half Term Holidays		
	Monday 1st June 2026	Children's first day back – Summer 2		
	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Last day of Summer 2 – finish at 1.30pm, After School Club until 4pm		