



Churchtown Chatter

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HARVEST FESTIVAL WEEK

Autumn is here once again!

The week beginning 1st October is Harvest Celebration Week.

Working with organisations in our local community is an important part of life here at Churchtown Primary School. We are very proud of the work that our children do in supporting local and worldwide organisations in different ways across the year.

Following on from previous years successful food donations for The Southport Foodbank, we are again working in partnership with them this year for our Harvest Festival. Children throughout the school will be asked to bring in food donations from the list printed overleaf that will be collected by the Foodbank and distributed to those who require a helping hand within the local area.

As part of our Harvest Celebrations, we will also be holding assemblies at St Cuthbert's Church for all children in their Buddy Assembly Groups. Children will walk down to the church with their class teachers and teaching assistants on Friday 5th October for their assemblies.

How to make your food donation

Food items can be dropped off at St Cuthbert's Church between **3:30 – 4pm on Thursday 4th October 2017** and **8:15 – 8:45am on Friday 5th October 2017**.

If you have any problems with dropping food off at St Cuthbert's Church, then children can bring it into school with them on the day.

Thank you for your help with this celebration and time to think about others.

Mary's Meals

As you know, we held a Joint fundraiser for Mary's Meals at the end of the school year in July 2018.

Children across the town brought money into school to help pay for children elsewhere in the world who are not able to get a school meal each day. Mary's Meals use the funds to give children the food that they need so that they can make the most of their learning opportunities in their school.

Churchtown, Holy Family, Our Lady of Lourdes, Kings Meadow, Birkdale Primary, Birkdale High, Norwood, Ainsdale St John's, Farnborough Infants, Farnborough Juniors, BDS, Linaker, St. Philip's, Kew Woods, Meols Cop, Greenbank, Merefield and St John's Crossens all joined together to raise £3910 for this great charity.

Thank you to everyone who supported the event.

Help for Early Years

Early Years staff are currently working hard to spruce up the garden area and wondered if any parents could help provide us with some natural resources.

We would like shells, corks, small twigs (30cm max) acorns, pine cones, conkers, smooth pebbles and feathers.

We will leave some boxes with labels on them outside the Early Years classrooms (week beginning 8th October) for you to drop any contributions. Many thanks in advance.



Admissions to Reception

We would like to remind all parents of children born between **1 September 2014 – 31 August 2015** of the importance of

registering their child for admission to Reception in September 2019. Your child will not automatically be allocated a school place and if there is a sibling connection you must state that on your application. Attendance in our Nursery does not guarantee a school place and you must complete the Sefton application form. You can apply online via the Sefton website, at www.sefton.gov.uk/admissions or if you do not have access to the internet, you can contact the Sefton Admissions Team on 0151 934 3590 and they will forward you an information booklet and paper application form. **The compulsory national closing date is the 15 January 2019. After 15 January 2019, your application will be treated as late.**

Dementia Awareness Animation

At the end of the summer George Povey recorded the soundtrack for a dementia awareness animation for children and young people .

The School Council also played a significant part in its development by reviewing the script used. Follow the link below to watch the animation and you will see at the end where George and the school is mentioned.

<https://www.dementiauk.org/childrenandyoungpeople/>



Does your child have Special Educational Needs and/or a Disability?

Would you like to meet with other parents to share your experiences and gain information?

Thursday 4th October

Claire Thornton from Sefton Special Educational Needs and Inclusion Service will be delivering a session for parents on how to help your child with reading at home.

Please come along to The Lodge
9 am until 11am

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Wk Beg 1st Oct	Harvest Week
Mon 1st Oct	Height and Weight Screening
Mon 1st Oct	6.00pm - Parents meeting with Endeavour Learning Trust - Old Hall
Thur 4th Oct	Chiefs Meeting - 9 - 11 - The Lodge
Mon 8th Oct	Tempest Photos - letter to follow
Tues 9th Oct	Tempest Photos - letter to follow
Wed 10th Oct	Book Fair Arrives
Wed 10th Oct	Y5 - Harry Potter Day
Wed 10th Oct	6 - 7 pm Reception Reading & Phonics Workshop - Old Hall
Wed 17th Oct	Parents Evening - school shuts at 2pm and reopens for Parents evening 2.30pm - 8.00pm
Fri 19th Oct	School finishes at normal time for Half term holidays
Mon 29th Oct	Back to school
Thur 1st Nov	PTA - Monster Mash - More details to follow
Sat 3rd November	Early Years Open Morning
Wed 7th Nov	Pantomime
Thur 8th Nov	Pantomime
Fri 9th Nov	Remembrance Celebration
Wed 14th Nov	Early Years Workshop - Maths - 6pm - Old Hall
Mon 26th Nov	1.30pm - School Forum
Fri 30th Nov	PTA - Mufti Day - £1
Mon 3rd Dec	Reception & Nursery Party Day
Thur 6th Dec	Nursery & KS1 Party Day
Mon 10th Dec	Reception Nativity @ 9.30am
Tues 11th Dec	Reception Nativity @ 9.30am
Tues 11th Dec	Year 4 Play @ 2pm
Wed 12th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day
Wed 12th Dec	PTA Christmas Discos More details to follow
Thur 13th Dec	Reception Nativity @ 9.30am
Thur 13th Dec	Year 4 Play @ 2pm
Fri 14th Dec	KS2 Party Day
Mon 17th Dec	1.30pm - Y5 Carol Service @ St Cuthbert's Church
Wed 19th Dec	PTA Cinema Night
Fri 21st Dec	Break up at 2pm for Christmas holidays