



# Churchtown Chatter

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## Remembrance Sunday

We would like to say a very big thank you to the 28 Churchtown pupils, who represented the school at the Remembrance Sunday service at the Cenotaph on Sunday 10th November. The children were complimented by members of the public for their excellent behaviour, once again a credit to the school. A special mention for Emily from 6M, who did a fantastic job laying a wreath on behalf of the school.

Thank you to all involved including Miss Vernon, Miss Morris, Mrs Bluck, Mrs Keen and Mr & Mrs Bowen



ODD SOCKS DAY



Our Anti Bullying Week started off with Odd Socks Day and also visits from the NSPCC both in assemblies and in Year 5 and 6 classes. The children talked about worries and how or who they can talk to, to reduce the weight of them!



We currently have a vacancy for a General Catering Assistant.  
Monday - Friday - 2 hours per day

Please pick up a form from the office, the closing date is 29.11.19.  
Contact Mrs J Healy (Assistant Head) for more information if required.

# Harry Potter Day in Year 5

Last week, Year 5 enjoyed a magical day celebrating Harry Potter Day. They dressed up and visited shops in Diagon Alley, including Ollivander's Wand Shop where the children made wands, the apothecary where they wrote spells, enjoyed a game of Quidditch and designed new mythical creatures for a 'Monster Book of Monsters' in Flourish and Blotts. What an amazing day!



## PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL



The roads outside school are extremely busy at dropping off and picking up times and it is especially important that we keep our children safe coming to and from school.

**Adults dropping children off should pull into the drop off zone in front of the school for their child to get out and walk into school. In this area no-one should be leaving their car to take their child into school! Alternatively, parents can park away from the main school road and walk in with their child, or use the car park at the rear of Botanic Gardens, entering the school via the Botanic Gardens Gate.**

We are asking that parents adhere to the following traffic regulations that are in place to keep our children safe:

Vehicles should not be parked in the drop off zone.

The single yellow line opposite the front of the school is a no parking zone from 8am to 6pm, unless vehicle owners display an in date disabled badge.

NO VEHICLES should stop on the zig zag lines by the dining hall, denoted by a 'KEEP CLEAR' sign.

The cul-de-sac at the side of the school on Sunny Road is for permit holders ONLY - at all times

**Traffic Wardens parole the drop off area regularly to enforce these regulations and should not be treated inappropriately for carrying out their duties.**

**Although disabled badge holders are able to park on double yellow lines with a disabled badge displayed, they should not restrict passing traffic or go up onto the pavement. A number of vehicles have been parking with part of their vehicle on the pavement, just past the zig zag lines, where the traffic moves to single file. This is against traffic regulations.**

The advice given by Sefton's Senior Travel Awareness and Safety Officer is that vehicles seen to be unlawfully parked can be reported to Merseyside Police as follows

Members of the public including schools can visit the Merseyside Police website, click on "REPORT" and "Road Traffic Incident" then follow the instructions. It may take 10 minutes to complete and you can upload photos of the vehicles. This information will reach a contact in Merseyside Police and they will send a letter to the vehicle owner.

We would like to thank all the parents who use the drop off zone appropriately and for working with the school to keep our children safe.



Scan this QR code to access and follow our Twitter account!

We understand of the children's online experiences: internet use and mobile devices

@Churchtown365

## E-SAFETY TOP TIPS

Following our E-Safety workshop last week, we would like to share with you our 5 top tips for keeping your children safe online.

1. Only allow children to use devices in shared spaces.
2. Restrict access at bedtime.
3. Agree a plan with your child for checking their messages and use of the internet.
4. Pay attention to the reasons for age ratings, when deciding which apps you allow your children to use.
5. Encourage conversations around both the

## Admissions to Reception

We would like to remind all parents of children born between **1 September 2015 – 31 August 2016** of the importance of registering their child for admission to Reception in September 2020. 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](http://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 2020. After 15 January 2020, your application will be treated as late.**

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tues 19th Nov	Y6 Trip to the Imperial War Museum
Fri 22nd Nov	3.30pm - Y3 Camp Meeting - Old Hall
Mon 25th Nov	Christian Aid Assemblies
Mon 25th Nov	1.30pm - School Forum
Tues 26th Nov	Y3 & Y4 - Virtual Reality Experience Day - £2.50
Tue 26th Nov	School Nurse on the playground at the end of the day
Tue 3rd Dec	Nasal Flu Spray Immunisation Reception - Y6
Tue 3rd Dec	Y3 Roman Day
Tue 3rd Dec	Year 1 - Homework Project Celebration - Parents invited in at 3 pm Year 6 - Homework Project Celebration - Parents invited in at 3 pm
Thurs 5th Dec	9- 11am - Chiefs Meeting In the lodge
Thurs 5th Dec	Reception Trip to Farmer Teds
Thurs 5th Dec	Year 2 - Homework Project Celebration - Parents invited in at 3 pm
Fri 6th Dec	Y2 Superhero Day
Mon 9th Dec	Early Years Party Day
Mon 9th Dec	2.00 pm - 4K & 4V Performance
Tues 10th Dec	9.30 am - RC - Christmas songs @ St Cuthbert's Church.
Tues 10th Dec	2.00 pm - RIK- Christmas songs @ St Cuthbert's Church.
Tues 10th Dec	Year 5 - Homework Project Celebration - Parents invited in at 3 pm
Wed 11th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day
Wed 11th Dec	2.30 pm - Nursery Christmas songs in St Cuthbert's Church
Wed 11th Dec	School Nurse on the playground at the end of the day
Thurs 12th Dec	9.30 am - RPC Nativity - Christmas songs @ St Cuthbert's Church.
Thurs 12th Dec	2.00 pm - 4S & 4Y Performance
Thurs 12th Dec	Year 3 - Homework Project Celebration - Parents invited in at 3 pm
Thurs 12th Dec	PTA Christmas Discos Y3 & Y4 - 6.00 - 7.15 pm - Dining Hall Y5 & Y6 - 7.30 - 8.45 pm - Dining Hall £4.00 - includes disco, drinks and goody bag
Fri 13th Dec	9.30 am - RS Nativity - Christmas songs @ St Cuthbert's Church.
Fri 13th Dec	KS1 & KS2 Party Day
Tues 17th Dec	1.30pm - Y5 Carol Service
Tues 17th Dec	Year 4 - Homework Project Celebration - Parents invited in at 3 pm
Thurs 19th Dec	Reception Celebration & Homework Project - Parents invited in at 2.45pm
Fri 20th Dec	2pm - School Finishes for Christmas holidays



## 'Climate Change – Working Together'



### Homework project for everyone this half term ( Autumn 2)

After the success of our 'Life Below Water' themed project during the last academic year, and the children's ongoing interest in recognising the importance of preserving and improving the planet for the future, we will be continuing with the theme of 'Global Goals'.

**Our focus for next half term (Autumn 2) will be global goal 13, 'Climate Action' and this will be our whole school theme for the homework project.**

In school the children will be taking part in the World's Largest Lesson;  
**'Is there really anything we can do about climate change?'**

Throughout the school the children will be encouraged to think about their own lifestyles and habits, considering changes they could make as individuals, families and communities.

For this half term we would like children across the school to complete a family-based project entitled;

**'Climate Change - working together'.**

#### Ideas could include:

- Research and explore; the threats of climate change, such as how to conserve resources.
- Photography based project of examples at home such as turning off the tap while brushing teeth and turning the heating down.
  - A sculpture of an endangered animal caused by destruction of their habitat.
- Look into past/present newspaper articles involving endangered species. What is the same/different? Have attitudes changed?
- Find ways of encouraging others to be more aware of climate change, a book/poster/blog/leaflet with top tips.
  - Look into eco-friendly products and compare them with products on the high street.
- Encourage friends and family to look at their own lifestyles; such as walking instead of using the car, recycling, switching to energy-saving lightbulbs and buying sustainable products.

Or any other ideas you may have to help protect our planet.

Projects can be presented in any way you choose; a model, display, poster, comic strip, book or even a song or video! Completed projects should be returned to school on the following dates:

Year Group	Project Theme	Completion Deadline
Reception	Climate Change – Working Together	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December - 2.45pm for parents to come in
Year 1	Climate Change – Working Together	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December - 3 pm for parents to come in
Year 2	Climate Change – Working Together	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December - 3 pm for parents to come in
Year 3	Climate Change – Working Together	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December - 3 pm for parents to come in
Year 4	Climate Change – Working Together	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December - 3 pm for parents to come in
Year 5	Climate Change – Working Together	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December - 3 pm for parents to come in
Year 6	Climate Change – Working Together	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December - 3 pm for parents to come in

As a form of celebration, parents will be invited in to their child's class after school on the above dates to look at the completed projects. We are looking forward to displaying the projects around the school and adding photos and videos to the school website and our Twitter account!

**Have fun, enjoy and remember, the greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it!**