



CHURCHFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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15th January 2023

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you have had a good weekend.

Can I start by thanking you all for your kind words regarding Mrs Beetson. The funeral will have family flowers only with any donations going to Dougie Mac. If you wish to put to the collection, please bring donations to the school office.

Please could I remind parents about parking around the school. I have had complaints from the local residents about blocking entrances and using driveways to park or as turnarounds. Please drive and park safely and think about our neighbours.

I know after my letter last week many of you have concerns regarding online safety and ensuring that children are keeping them safe.

Message from Miss Shaw

We do address e-safety issues through our PSHE and Computing curriculum, and you are welcome to check our website for more details on these subject areas. However, we have heard from you that you want to know more about how to monitor your children's safety online – in the everchanging landscape that is the internet, it is difficult to spot where potential dangers may arise. With that in mind, we've put together a list of resources that you may find beneficial when monitoring and talking to your child about being safe online.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/> - This website is an excellent resource produced by CEOP, the Child Exploitation and Online Protection centre. It has a search engine so you can search for articles that directly relate to specific issues and is kept very up to date to reflect dangers that are being spotted as new online.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/esafety-leaflets-resources/> - This website in general contains lots of guidance on e-safety, but this particular page contains many leaflets which contain important information across a wide variety of issues. Some of these pertain to older children, but many parents at this school have children that are older, so you may also find these a useful resource. We will be including the leaflets on our website.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/> - The NSPCC have a lot of information for parents on a variety of ways to keep their children safe. This particular part of the site specifically addresses online safety.

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-a-z-mental-health-guide/social-media/> – This website is a guide for parents to help them to talk to their children about social media. It has links to other resources that may be helpful to you.

We will look at using our website to send any guidance however it is important to remember that the age restrictions for Facebook, Instagram and Snapchat is 13 years old.

Myself and Mr. Cotton will continue to update our computing and PSHE curriculum to meet the changing demands of the internet.

Holidays

As always, please avoid booking holidays in term-time. They can only be authorised if they are 'exceptional' circumstances. I have limited capacity to authorise holidays. Our registers are externally checked and there are strict guidelines in place with very little 'wiggle' room regarding authorisation.

Spring Term 2023

Training day: **Tuesday 3 January – School Closed**

Staff & Pupils Wednesday 4th January – Friday 17th February

Holiday: Monday 20 February – Friday 24 February

Staff & Pupils Monday 27th February - Thursday 30th March

Training day: **Friday 31st March – School Closed**

Holiday: Monday 3rd April – Friday 14 April

Summer Term 2023

Staff & Pupils: Monday 17 April

Holiday: Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June

Staff & Pupils: Monday 5th June – Friday 21st July

Holiday: Monday 24th July – Friday 1st September

Stars

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| Nursery | Isla Tainton-Dutton for being a superstar all week as she is now doing full time |
| Reception Mrs Locker | Tommy Bennett for being a super role model to the friends on his new table |
| Reception Mrs Nixon | Harvey Pattison for a super week of listening and learning |
| 1B | Oscar Rodgers for writing outstanding sentences remembering ALL our English crucial knowledge |
| 1M | Mikey Mcging for always trying hard |
| 2M | Charlotte Hammonds for always showing great respect to others |
| 2R | Keira Kirk for always being an absolute superstar |
| 3HS | Logan King for being a super friend |
| 3RS | Lola Brennan for showing a great attitude to her learning |
| 4B | Sienna Locock for being a fantastic friend and always being respectful |
| 4S | Marriette Obioha for excellent recall |
| 5A | Harrison Moore for pushing himself to be involved in every lesson's input! |
| 5S | Max Summers for super resilience |
| 6C | Lucy Bagguley for showing excellent recall and understanding during lots of lessons |
| 6S | Amelia Woollams always being the very best that she can be |

Head Teachers awards

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| NURSERY | Sonny Ashmore-Finney for following instructions really well all week |
| RECEPTION | Sophia Walker for fantastic manners |
| Y1&2 | Gabriel Avram for astounding me with his exceptional progress |
| Y3&4 | Ronnie Clewes for exceptional mathematics |
| Y5&6 | Reuben Poole for helping with the smooth running of the school |

Attendance

Year 3 best attendance of the week 97%

Year 6 best attendance for year, so far 96%

Whole school attendance for the week is 95% which is only 1% below our target

Attendance best class this week = Reception Mrs Locker's class

Week

Red 963

Yellow 914

Green 870

Blue 847

Term, so far

Red 963

Yellow 914

Green 870

Blue 847

Thank you for your continued support,

Diane Beardsmore

Headteacher