

Churchfields' Weekly Newsletter

Friday 26 May 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to thank our parents and families for their extraordinary generosity over the previous months. When we set up our Amazon Wish Lists, we could not have imagined the phenomenal support we would receive from the school community. The additional resources have really made a difference to our pupils. We are extremely grateful.

I hope you have an enjoyable half term break with your children. We look forward to them returning to school on Monday 5th June.

Kind regards,

Simon Fletcher.



Cluster music project

We're really pleased that those children who worked on the sea shanties project with Miss Hancock from St Laurence will have a chance to premiere their compositions at the Wiltshire Music Centre on Wednesday 21st June.

Letters are coming out shortly with details and how to book your (free) tickets.

School Dinners

It has become apparent at lunch times that not all children are eating their food that has been ordered for them resulting in food waste.

We suggest for parents/carers to speak with their child to check that they like their choice of meals for the week/day or if they perhaps want to change their meal choice.

Thank you



A message from Friends of Churchfields

Hi Everyone,

Friends of Churchfields have lots of events coming up next term. Please see the poster further down the newsletter for more information.

We are looking for volunteers to help us on sports day,

- We need help on Thursday 19th July in the evening to put our new marquee up. If you can spare an hour or so that evening, please let us know.
- We need volunteers on Friday 20th July to get set up ready for the fete
- We need volunteers on Friday 20th July to run the stalls and help pack down and tidy up

Please let us know if you can help by contacting either Emma or Georgie or email us on thevillageschoolpta@gmail.com

Have a lovely half term,

Friends of Churchfields

Y7 reunion

It was lovely to welcome back some of our ex-pupils to Monkton Farleigh on Tuesday in a party organised by our Y6s to help with their transition to secondary. Thanks to parents and PTA for donations of party food and to the MF staff for preparing and washing up!

Mathletics

This week it's a Kestrel who is flying high amongst our brilliant crop of mathletes. Well done Jamie for putting in all that hard work towards getting your gold. It's clear to see other people are also working away, and I'm hopeful we'll see more golds during Term 6.

GOLD : Jamie

SILVER : Oliver H, Leighton, Jamie

BRONZE : Oscar BH, Sam F, Josiah, Alexis G, Maddox, Henry H, Edie, Rufus, Oliver H, Emily J, William, Dylan, Leighton, Livinia, India, Ted L, Quita, Eloise, Harry, Alexis M, Finlay, Ryley, Bodhi PH, Christina, Joseph, George R, Clara, Isabella S, Martha St, Jamie



"Talk to strangers" online platforms –

Omegle, ChatHub, Chatroulette, CamSurf, Shagle.

Parents/carers should be aware of the possible risks associated with children and young people using websites allowing users to be paired randomly with another user to have anonymous video and text conversations with strangers.

While these websites may seem harmless, it can expose young people to inappropriate content and contact with strangers. The lack of moderation on these sites means that users can easily encounter explicit material, hate speech, and other forms of harmful content. Additionally, the anonymity of the platform means that it can be difficult to identify or report any abusive or dangerous behaviour. Children are able to access these sites by simply ticking a box that confirmed they were over 18 years of age and indicating they will comply with the terms and conditions.

[Please click here for further information and advice.](#)



Birthday Books

We would like to thank, Coralie for donating "The Last Polar Bear" book, to celebrate her 6th birthday!

An exciting opportunity to watch a real Orchestra rehearsing!

After discussing instruments of the orchestra during music lessons, Miss Ottner has arranged for children to come and watch a real orchestra rehearsing. With a full orchestra of nearly 80 players and an exciting all-American programme (including some Gershwin, a composer the children have looked at), this is an exciting opportunity to hear live music. The rehearsal will take place on the afternoon of Saturday 17th June and children will need to be accompanied at all times. Please speak to Miss Ottner for more details.



FRIENDS OF CHURCHFIELDS PRESENTS

CASTLE COMBE RACE TRACK EVENING

CAKE STALL & SNACKS

£10 PER FAMILY

MONDAY 10th JULY @ 5pm

HELMETS MUST BE WORN

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Term dates for 2023

Term 5: Monday 17 April – Friday 26 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 17 April – children back to school Monday 01 May – Bank holiday (school closed) Monday 08 May – Bank holiday (school closed) 	Term 6: Monday 5 June – Tuesday 25 July <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 05 June – children back to school Monday 24 July – INSET DAY (school closed) Tuesday 25 July – INSET DAY (school closed)
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Term 6	
Monday 05 June	Start of Term 6
Tuesday 06 June	KS2 Stonehenge trip
Wednesday 07 June	R23 Meet the Teacher 5pm Atworth; 5:30pm MF
Thursday 8 June	Kestrel class swimming
Wednesday 14 June – Friday 16 June	UKS2 Residential WOLT
Tuesday 13 June	Atworth R23 Induction afternoon 1pm -3pm
Wednesday 14 June	Monkton Farleigh R23 Induction afternoon 1pm -3pm
Saturday 17 June	Monkton Farleigh Fete
Tuesday 20 June	Atworth R23 Induction afternoon 1pm -3pm
Wednesday 21 June	Cluster music project St Laurence
Wednesday 21 June	Monkton Farleigh R23 Induction afternoon 1pm -3pm
Thursday 22 June	Kestrel class swimming
Tuesday 27 June	Melksham Oak taster day YR 6
Tuesday 27 June	Atworth R23 Induction afternoon 1pm – 3pm
Wednesday 28 June	Monkton Farleigh R23 Induction afternoon 1pm -3pm
Wednesday 28 June	ST Laurence YR 5 Cluster Curriculum Day
Thursday 29 June	Kestrel class swimming
Friday 30 June	Y6 Corsham induction day
Tuesday 04 July	YR6 leavers trip to Bath
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Tuesday 04 July	R23 Teddy Bears picnic 1:30 pm – Both bases
Wednesday 05 July	Move up morning
Thursday 6 July	Kestrel class swimming
Thursday 06 July	YR6 Induction day St Laurence (1 of 2)
Friday 07 July	Sports afternoon with PTA event 1pm onwards
Friday 07 July	Non-uniform day for Tombola
Monday 10 July to Friday 14 July	Sports Week
Tuesday 11 July	Rocktopus – Atworth
Tuesday 11 July	BMT Piano lessons cancelled at Atworth – (Due to sports week)
Tuesday 11 July	Ukulele lessons cancelled at Atworth – (Due to sports week)
Thursday 13 July	YR6 Induction day St Laurence (2of 2)
Thursday 13 July	Kestrel class swimming
Friday 14 July	Sports afternoon with PTA event 1pm onwards
Friday 14 July	Pupil Reports go home
Wednesday 19 July	Leavers service St Michaels Church 1:15pm
Friday 21 July	Last Day Term
Monday 24 July	Inset Day
Tuesday 25 July	Inset Day



FRIENDS OF CHURCHFIELDS EVENTS

17th
June

**MONKTON FARLEIGH
FETE**

4th
July

**TEDDY BEARS PICNIC
1:30PM**

FOR 2023 NEW STARTERS AT ATWORTH & MF

7th
July

NON UNIFORM DAY

PLEASE BRING PRIZES FOR THE TOMBOLA

10th
July

**CASTLE COMBE
RACE TRACK
5-8 PM**

14th
July

**SPORTS DAY
& SUMMER FETE**

BBQ, BAR, BOUNCY CASTLE, ICECREAMS, GAMES

20th
July

**SUMMER DISCO
5:30 - 7PM**

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At WakeUpWednesday today, we followed up supporting parents, carers and school staff with this information to help us deliver our curriculum about online safety with our children, should they find it useful. This guide focuses on one of many topics children should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, tips and sign for advice.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about INFLUENCERS

In today's digital age, social media influencers play an increasingly significant role in shaping the opinions, interests and behaviours of our children. While many of these individuals can have a positive effect, influencer culture can also present certain risks – such as encouraging overconsumption, affecting self-worth and blurring boundaries. To help ensure a safe online environment for young people, it's vital to maintain open communication, set sensible boundaries, promote a healthy self-image and teach digital media literacy. Our guide delves deeper into all of these.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

HEIGHTENED CONSUMPTION

A major way that influencers promote products is through brand partnerships and sponsored content. As a result, children and teens may be exposed to a variety of adverts of products they may not need or want, leading to materialistic attitudes, unrealistic expectations and an increased desire to have the latest products. They may also be exposed to unhealthy eating habits, body image issues and other negative influences.

THE SOFT SELL

Some influencers don't always transparently state the products they are promoting, blurring the line between genuine recommendations and paid-for promotions – and this can be difficult for children and teens to spot. Influencers may also use persuasive language and tactics to encourage their followers to buy products, which can lead to impulsive purchases and overspending. They may also use persuasive language to encourage their followers to buy products, which can lead to impulsive purchases and overspending.

ADVICE FOR PARENTS & CARERS

KEEP TALKING

Chat to your child about the content they consume on social media and the influencers that they like. Encourage them to think critically about what they see and hear online, and listen to any concerns they might have. Encouraging this line of open, honest communication can help your child to make informed decisions about what influencers they follow and what content they engage with.

SET SOME BOUNDARIES

Agree age-appropriate boundaries for your child's social media use, including limited screen time and privacy settings. This may include restricting access to certain devices, apps and sites, having their accounts linked to you. Try to keep an eye on your child's online activity and discuss it regularly with them – including reminding them of the potential risks that can arise from following influencers.

SUPPORT A HEALTHY SELF-IMAGE

Reinforce your child's awareness that real life isn't usually as perfect as it appears on social media – and that everyone has struggles (particularly that of influencers) in their private, unshared or edited lives. Encourage your child to focus on their own strengths and qualities, rather than comparing themselves to others. Encourage them to engage with their own interests and hobbies as well.

PROMOTE MEDIA LITERACY

Talk to your child about the concepts of sponsored content, advertising and product placement. Help them to identify the possible reasons behind content creation. This can help young people develop the skills to make healthier decisions about the influencers they choose to follow and the content they consume.

Meet Our Expert

James is a digital literacy and currently a digital literacy specialist at Churchfields. He has been working with children and young people on digital literacy for several years. He is passionate about helping children and young people to become digital citizens and to use technology safely and responsibly. He is also a member of the National Online Safety team.





National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday

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Braeside Half Term Activity Days!

Adventure - Challenge - Fun



ALL DAY
- £36

Age 8 – 12 years
(Siblings up to 14 years)

Dates: Tuesday 30th May – Friday 2nd June 2023

Drop Off – 8:30am – 9:00am

Gates will be closed and locked from 9:15am

Pick Up 4:30pm – 5:00pm

Gates will be open for pick up from 4:30pm

Tuesday

High Ropes -
Leap of Faith
High Ropes –
High All Aboard
Low Ropes
Orienteering

Wednesday

Survival Day
Shelter Building
Fire Lighting
Camp Fire
Cooking

Thursday

**Water Sports
Day**
Canoeing
Paddleboarding
Kayaking

Friday

Climbing Wall
Zip Wire
Abseiling
Life Line

Activities will run in groups, in rotation, throughout the day.

Please book online by visiting

www.braeside-education.co.uk/holiday-club

Children need to bring:

- Packed Lunch
- Water Bottle
- Appropriate outdoor clothing for the weather, including trainers

Contact us for more details –

info@braeside-education.co.uk

01380 722637



WYVERN THEATRE SUMMER YOUTH PROJECT 2023

THE WIZARD of OZ

**6-19 August
Chaperone Call Out**

We are looking for licensed chaperones
or those with an enhanced db

Parking/bus fares covered

Tea and Coffee

Pair of tickets to any show at the Wyvern/Arts Centre after 4 shifts

The Summer Youth Project is the perfect way to get a
taste for the world of musical theatre, allowing 200
young people to produce and perform 5 full-scale
performances with the help of a professional creative
team and live orchestra!

SPEAK TO OLI
OWEBB@WYVERNTHEATRE.ORG.UK

WYVERN THEATRE SUMMER YOUTH PROJECT

PRESENTS

THE WIZARD of OZ

By L. Frank Baum
With Music and Lyrics by
Harold Arlen and E. Y. Harburg

Background Music by
Herbert Stothart

Dance and Vocal Arrangements by
Peter Howard

Orchestration by
Larry Wilcox

Based upon the Classic
Motion Picture owned by
Turner Entertainment Co.
and distributed in all media
by Warner Bros.

Adapted by John Kane for the
Royal Shakespeare
Company



17-19 AUGUST 2023
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WYVERN THEATRE
SWINDON

Presented by arrangement with Tams-Witmark, A Concord Theatricals Company (www.tams-witmark.com)



What can I buy?

Fruit and vegetables

✓ They can be:

- fresh, frozen or tinned
- whole or chopped
- packaged or loose
- fruit in fruit juice
- fruit or vegetables in water
- fresh, dried or tinned pulses

✗ They cannot:

- have added ingredients like fat (oil), salt, sugar or flavourings
- be juiced or pre-cooked
- be fruits in syrup
- be smoothies

Plain cow's milk

- ✓ This needs to be plain cow's milk, which is pasteurised, sterilised, long-life or ultra-heat treated (UHT).

✗ It cannot be:

- flavoured
- coloured
- evaporated
- condensed
- plant-based milk
- powdered (unless it's stage one infant formula)

Infant formula

- ✓ It should be:
- suitable from birth
 - made from cow's milk

Healthy Start vitamins

You can use your NHS Healthy Start prepaid card to collect free Healthy Start vitamins.

If you live in England, find your nearest vitamin provider on the NHS Healthy Start website: www.healthystart.nhs.uk

If you live in Wales, ask your midwife or health visitor where to collect your vitamins.

If you live in Northern Ireland, we'll send you a letter explaining how to request your vitamins.

Take your prepaid card with you when you collect them.

For more information and to apply to the NHS Healthy Start scheme, visit: www.healthystart.nhs.uk

Or call us on **0300 330 7010**

Our contact centre is open Monday – Friday, 8am – 6pm (except public holidays)



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NHS Healthy Start

Helping young families on low incomes to access healthy food, milk and vitamins.

