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### 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Points to note:

• Action needed: Photo permissions update online (will take 2 minutes) was due by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October for <u>all children</u> on this link <u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/P6SFZSC</u>.

We are missing approximately 300 replies so have extended the deadline to **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October**. We will then check who has responded and follow up missing permissions with you individually.

• Please check: Clubs in week beginning 17th October

Clubs that <b>will</b> be running next week	Clubs that <u>will not</u> be running next week
<ul> <li>Cross country – moved to Monday, see</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Chaos Art (Monday)</li> <li>Pro Stars Multi-sports morning club</li></ul>
separate email <li>Act 1 Drama (Tuesday and Thursday)</li> <li>Yoga (Wednesday)</li> <li>Inkhead Creative Writing (Wednesday)</li>	(Tuesday) <li>Pro Stars football after school (Thursday)</li> <li>J'aimes Gymnastics (Friday)</li>

- National Poetry day competition deadline is Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November details of how to take part have been sent in a separate email
- Save the date PTA Christmas Fair, Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 1pm 4pm
- New school website address is <u>www.churchfields-q1e.org.uk</u>
- Parent/carer volunteer readers needed, email <u>admin@churchfields.q1e.org.uk</u> if you are interested

### Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to our first parent/carer evenings of the year next week and it will be a pleasure to hold them in person so that you can see your child's classroom and their work as well as speaking to their teacher. If you haven't already booked an appointment, the teachers will be following up with you individually to arrange a time.

We will also be holding open morning tours starting after half term for families thinking about joining Churchfields both in Nursery/Reception in 2023 as well as for older children as we do have some spaces currently available in some classes. If you have friends, family, neighbours or others in the community who may be interested, please do let them know!

With best wishes,

Sarah Atherton, Headteacher



You can talk to ANYONE who works for the school

Safeguarding is the responsibility of EVERYONE works

Our first priority is to ensure all children and adults are safe.

Please do talk to any member of staff if you have any worries for yourself or others in our community.





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### Churchfields Primary School Open Morning Tours

We pride ourselves on providing a well-rounded, broad and balanced education for all of the children in our community.

Come and find out more about our friendly, vibrant and inclusive school.

We have small group tours to see the school in action every week. For the list of dates, visit www.churchfields-q1e.org.uk/ admissions/open-days/ To book your place, email admin@churchfields.q1e.org.uk or call us on 020 8650 5247

We look forward to welcoming you.



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### Black History Month Time for Change: Action Not Words

1-31 October 2022

### In assemblies this week we have been thinking about the UK Black History Month theme for 2022 – 'Time for Change: Actions not Words'



"I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Children in Years 1 and 2 thought about what the 'content of your character', from Dr Martin Luther King's most wellknown speech, might mean.

They had some great answers about how you act, how you treat other people, whether you are fair and if you try your best.



He takes pay cut to test promise





Our classes in Years 3 and 4 learned more about the Bristol Bus Boycott in 1963. They learned that only white staff were allowed to be drivers and conductors in the bus company, and how people showed their support for those fighting discrimination by not using the buses and by peacefully protesting through marches and sit-ins.

We discovered that the change in the policy of the bus company finally happened on exactly the same day as Martin Luther King was saying 'I have a dream' to the crowds in Washington USA!

They also learned that new laws called the Race Relations acts were made shortly after that which made it illegal in the UK, for the first time, to discriminate based on race in public, in employment and in housing.

In Year 5 and 6 we took this a step further to think about the term 'boycott' and how this has been used to make changes.

We explored the boycott of the bus companies after Rosa Park's famous action of protest and the sacrifice people made to walk, often for miles, for over a year rather than use the bus company.

We looked more deeply at how companies were forced to make changes and then influenced laws in the UK through boycotts and the individual sacrifices people made. Finally, we learned about how boycotting goods and events can make change with an example being South African goods during the anti-apartheid movement.



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### Photography Competition Winners from Churchfields



WINNER: Amelia Whittle

Highly commended: Amelia Forman



Highly commended: Ellie Andrews

The school photography company, Vancols, held a children's photography competition in the summer with the theme 'Bee Lucky'.

We were thrilled to hear yesterday that Amelia Whittle's photograph has won one of the two top prizes of a Chromebook for the school.

We are also really proud of Amelia Forman, Ellie Andrews and Messouda who have also been awarded 'Highly Commended' prizes.

All of the winners will receive a framed copy of their photo and a certificate.

Well done to everyone who entered and a special thank you to Mrs Madhavan who organised the competition in school.



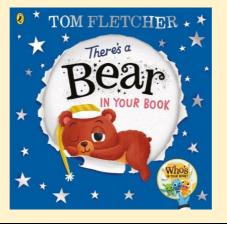
Highly commended: Messouda



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**Birthday Book Donations** 

Thank you and happy birthday to Lula for the new copy of 'There's a Bear in your Book' for the library. We hope Nursery can stay awake after reading it!



OH, LOOK! A bear has wandered into your book! And - what's that noise? He's yawning! He looks like he's ready for bed. Can you help him drift off to sleep?



#### Winter is Coming – Can you Help?

The magnificent planting displays, created by parents, are starting to lose their bloom as the weather changes.

We are looking for donations if you have any of the following going spare:

- Bulbs
- Plants (especially winter-flowering plants)

Please bring donations to the space outside Silver Birch classroom or the school office.

Thank you for your support.

#### **Churchfields Family Beat Their Target**



Congratulations to Eduardo (Year 5) and Natalia (Year 3), along with their parents, who ran 5,000 metres and raised £63 (125% of their target) for the Great Ormond Street Hospital Charity to help seriously ill children from around the UK.



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### Facepainters needed

Are you an aspiring Facepainter? Need a little Training and Practice? Are you available to help Facepaint at the Christmas Fete on 3rd December?! If so, this is for you!!

Sevil from Doxa's Face and Body Art will be running a FREE workshop on Thursday 10th November 6-9pm, Small Hall to teach some basic designs. You can then put them to practice at the Fete! Email churchfieldspta@gmail.com to book your space!



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### **National Poetry Day Competition 2022**



It is the week of National Poetry Day again and we will be running our annual competition to celebrate the poets in our school.

This year's theme is "The Environment".

Poems can be long or short, can rhyme or not, and can be serious or funny. An email has been sent today with more details.

The deadline for the poems is **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November**.

We can't wait to hear your verses!

Some ideas to inspire the poems:

- What is our local environment like?
- What do you love about our environment?
- What lives in our environment?
- Is there anything you would change about our environment?
- What can we do to protect our environment?
- Who are famous environmentalists?

### Class Assembly Dates 2022/23

Class assemblies will be held in the school hall, starting at 2.45pm.

#### Autumn Term 03.11.22

10.11.22

17.11.22

24.11.22

**Spring Term** 

Hazel Sycamore Baobab Flm

### 26.01.23

Oak Silver Birch 02.02.23 02.03.23 Hickory 09.03.23 Sumac 16.03.23 Olive 23.03.23 Ash

#### Summer Term

04.05.23 Cherry 11.05.23 Rowan 18.05.23 Palm 25.05.23 Acer 15.06.23 Beech



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### Term Dates 2022/23

### Autumn Term

Last day of Autumn1 term: Friday 21 October Autumn half term holiday: Monday 24 October – Friday 28 October First day of Autumn 2 term: Monday 31 October Last day of Autumn 2 term: Friday 16 December

### Spring Term

First day of Spring 1 term: Wednesday 4 January Last day of Spring 1 term: Friday 10 February Spring half term holiday: Monday 13 February – Friday 17 February First day of Spring 2 term: Monday 20 February Last day of Spring 2 term: Friday 31 March

### Summer Term

Inset Day: Monday 17 April – school closed to children First day of Summer 1 term: Tuesday 18 April Bank holiday: Monday 1 May – school closed to children Last day of Summer 1 term: Friday 26 May Spring half term holiday: Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June Inset Day: Monday 5 June – school closed to children First day of Summer 2 term: Tuesday 6 June Last day of Summer 2 term: Friday 21 July

