

25th November 2022

Points to note:

Date Reminders:

Tuesday 29th November

- PTA 'Coffee, Cake and Sticky Tape' morning, straight after drop off. Meet other parents/carers, have a drink and a cake on us whilst wrapping up prizes for the Christmas Fair. Everyone welcome!
- Deadline for ordering Christmas Lunch see separate email

Thursday 1st December

- Year 6 trip to Chislehurst Caves
- Nursery stay and play 9.15 10.00am

Friday 2nd December

- Children can wear own clothes day and bring a bottle (unopened, in date if a food or drink item, can be anything you already have at home) to contribute to the PTA Christmas Fair bottle raffle
- PTA 'Coffee, Cake and Sticky Tape' morning, straight after drop off. Meet other parents/carers, have a drink and a cake on us whilst wrapping up prizes for the Christmas Fair. Everyone welcome!
- Nursery stay and play 1.15 2.00pm

Saturday 3rd December

- PTA Christmas Fair, 1 – 4pm

Thursday 8th December

- Children's Christmas lunch (must be pre-ordered)
- Wear a Christmas jumper day doesn't need to be new (pre-loved ones for sale at the Christmas Fair on 3rd December) or bought, just decorate a jumper you already have. Donations (£2 suggested) will go to Save the Children charity and it will also be the children's Christmas lunch day in school.

Tuesday 13th December

- Reception performance for parents/carers, 9.30am in the Main Hall at school

Wednesday 14th December

- Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Acer class performance, 9.30am at St Michael's Church, Beckenham
- Year 4, Year 5, Year 6 and Ash class performance, 1.45pm at St Michael's Church, Beckenham

Friday 16th December

- Year 6 'VE Day'
- Last day of Autumn term

Tuesday 3rd January – INSET day – school closed to children

Wednesday 4th January – First day of Spring term, return to school at the usual times







Dear Parents and Carers,

The children did us all proud when our filming crew were in school on Monday and Tuesday – even the 'school cat' posed nicely for the camera. The film should be ready to share in January.

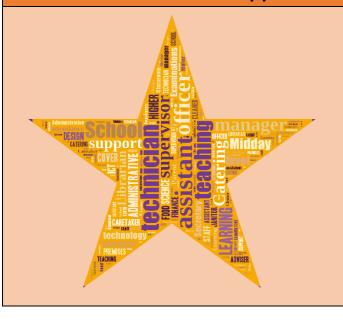
As you can see from the dates on the first page, we are set for a very busy few weeks as the festive season begins. The PTA Shopping Evening started us off last night and was a huge success with a great variety of stalls and faces familiar and new in school to pick up some treats.

Yet again, thank you for the incredibly hard work that goes on in the background to make these events happen – if you can spare an hour of your time to help with the Christmas Fair next weekend it is much appreciated! You will also have received information and tickets for the raffle in your child's bag, great prizes to be won!

Have a good weekend,

Sarah Atherton Headteacher

Support Staff Appreciation Day





Our support staff were released from their lunch duties by the teachers today and treated to a well-deserved celebration lunch with plenty of cake!

Thank you to all of our support staff who do an incredible job for our children.



Football Clubs and Teams



We were really pleased to host Aimee Everett in a special assembly this week for girls in Years 3 – 6.

She is a midfielder for Crystal Palace women's team and she shared how she started in football, the opportunities it has given her and how it felt to be named Women's Player of the Season 21/22.

We are looking to start a girls' football club and develop a team from January. We will also be looking to re-start the boys' team and are making arrangements for open trials to happen as soon as we can whilst Mr Sweeney is unfortunately still unwell.

Enrichment Clubs in Spring



We are working to expand the number and range of clubs on offer before school, during lunchtime and after school in the Spring term. More details to follow, including how children entitled to Pupil premium can access these.

School Lunches



We have been working with the Harrisons central team and the staff on site to make improvements in the food and service at lunch times. So far we have sped up service so that even the last child in the last class has 20 minutes to eat their lunch; we have changed some kitchen equipment to keep the food hotter and are monitoring that the full choice is on offer throughout lunch service.

Specialist Lessons

As you may be aware, when multiple teachers are absent, we sometimes need to have our specialist teachers cover their class. When that happens, the class teacher will teach the specialist subject.

Forest school would be slightly different on these days as there needs to be two adults, one of whom has specific forest school training, to run a full forest school session. However, the children will still get outside (weather permitting as usual).

Scarlet Fever and Flu



The take up so far at Churchfields for flu vaccination is very low – please do respond to the emails if you haven't already. There is also a surge in Scarlet Fever (Strep A) cases locally. Please read the information sent with this newsletter carefully so you know what to look out for.

Churchfields News



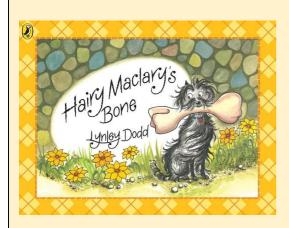
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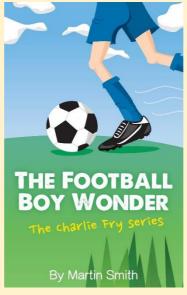


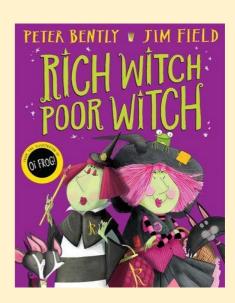


Birthday Book Donations

Thank you and happy birthday to Elliot for the copies of 'Hairy Maclary's Bone' and 'Rich Witch Poor Witch' and also to Alfie for 'The Football Boy Wonder' by Martin Smith.







Class Assembly Dates 2022/23

Class assemblies will be held in the school's Main Hall, starting at 2.45pm.

Spring Term		1	Summer Term	
	26.01.23	Oak	04.05.23	Cherry
	02.02.23	Silver Birch	11.05.23	Rowan
	02.03.23	Hickory	18.05.23	Palm
	09.03.23	Sumac	25.05.23	Acer
	16.03.23	Olive	15.06.23	Beech
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Term Dates 2022/23

Autumn Term

Last day of Autumn 2 term: Friday 16 December

Spring Term

Inset Day: Tuesday 3 January – school closed to children

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

Bank holiday: Monday 8 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