



The Messenger

Churchfield School Closure

Due to the exceptionally high winds yesterday (23rd February) experienced in Highbridge and across the country, the decision was taken to close the school to protect the health and safety of the pupils and staff. A number of internal ceiling tiles in a classroom and the corridor came loose and fell to the floor. The school is in contact with their Health and Safety advisor, the buildings architect and contractors to ensure the continuous safety of all pupils, staff and visitors. The affected areas of the school are closed today (24th February) in order to ensure that the internal ceiling system can be fully inspected and that any immediate repairs can be undertaken. The school will ensure that an appropriate action plan is put in place to mitigate the risk of any further damage. The school will fully reopen on Monday 27th February.

Contact Details

Please ensure that we have the up to date details for your child should we need to contact you in an emergency. Yesterday's events highlighted that a number of phone numbers held are in correct. There were a number of children left in school until the end of the day.

Deputy Headteacher

We are fortunate to have Mrs Tracey Trood join us this week as part of the Senior Leadership Team as Deputy Headteacher until July 2017. We are sure you will join us in making Mrs Trood feel very welcome.



Book Week

On Monday we start Book Week. Don't forget to start recording your reading and asking people to sponsor you for our Readathon. Usborne Books' representative, Claudette Murley, will be selling books after school on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Larch Classroom. On World Book day (Thursday 2nd March) you can come to school as a book character and donate a £1 for our book fund. On Monday each child will receive a World Book Fair Voucher which they can use at either of our fairs. It should be a fun week! We raised £906 as a school last year which gave us a grand total of £2000 due to Usborne Books giving us 60% of what we raised. Let's see if we can beat that total!

Year 5 Special Visitors

On Tuesday morning year 5 had some special visitors. Mr & Mrs Winder came to explain to them about the clay pits which used to be in Highbridge. Mrs Winder was born and brought up in Highbridge and used to play around the clay pit at the end of her garden. This is now Asda car park! The children were amazed to learn about the pits and the brick and tile industries which were in Highbridge at that time. They now have a good understanding about clay pits and this is helping them to imagine scenes from their class story 'Stig of the Dump'.





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Forthcoming Events

- Monday 27th February - Friday 3rd March - Readathon for Years 1-6
- Monday 27th, Tuesday 28th February and Wednesday 1st March - Usborne Book Fair after school.
- Wednesday 1st March - Poplar, Rowan and Maple trip to Weston Sewage Works
- Thursday 2nd March - World Book Day - dress up as a book character
- Tuesday 7th March - Monday 13th March - Scholastic Book Fair after school
- Tuesday 28th March—Larch & Oak classes Trip to The Wild Place—Bristol
- Friday 31st March—Break up for Easter Holidays
- Tuesday 18th April—Return to school

Awards

Last week the Attendance Award was won by Fir Class with 99%.
 The Punctuality Award was won by Holly Class with 100%.



Friends of Churchfield/ PTA

We are very grateful to the team of parents and friends who have worked so hard over the years to support the school and fund raise for new equipment for our children. The decision has been made to re-launch the PTA as ‘Friends of Churchfield’ in order to encourage some new people to step forward. We will be holding a meeting next Thursday 2nd March at 2:45pm in school to discuss plans. Please try and come along - there will be tea and coffee and some of Di's famous biscuits! This is your chance to become involved!

Mobile Phones

Please can we remind you that the school is a no mobile phone zone. This includes the playgrounds and anywhere within the school perimeter. This policy is to safeguard our children whilst they are at school.



Payments

Due to the high number of returned cheques, we now only accept payment through Parentpay or by cash. If you do not have your log on details for Parentpay please contact the school office.

Friday Praise Assembly

Please be aware that the praise assembly for Key Stage One (reception to year two) has changed to 9.10am. If your child is due to receive an award you will be invited in.

We are a Christian community of:

- Perseverance*
- Respect*
- Acceptance & friendship*
- Independence*
- Selflessness*
- Empathy and compassion*

ASPIRE Learners:

- Ask questions*
- Solve problems*
- Practise skills*
- Investigate solutions*
- Remember facts*
- Engage in learning*

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