



Churchfield News

Summer 1 Week 6 – 26th May 2023

Upcoming Diary Dates

- W/C Tue 6th June – Y4 Multiplication Tables Check (2 weeks)
- Mon 5th June – School Starts
- Wed 7th June – Class Photos
- Wed 7th June – New FS2 Open Evening (4:00pm – 6:00pm)
- Thur 8th June – Family Bingo Night (6:00pm)
- Fri 9th June – Y6 Holocaust Centre Trip
- W/C Mon 12th June – Y1 Phonics Screening Check Starts (2 weeks)
- W/C Mon 12th June – SENDCO Parents' Meetings (2 weeks)
- Mon 12th June – Y3 Residential Info Sessions (2:30pm & 5:00pm)
- Thur 15th June – Grassroots Sports Awards Night

School Start Times

A reminder that school start at **8:50am** – not 9:00am. We open our doors from 8:45am to allow children to filter in. Children should not be arriving after 8:50am as they will be late. Every minute counts, so please make sure that children are here on time!

Summer Diary Dates

There's LOTS going on in the summer term, so next week we'll send out a full list of diary dates for this last half-term. We'll send a paper copy home too so it can be stuck to the fridge!

INSET Days 2023-24

There may be a slight change to our provisional INSET days for 2023-24. We are currently waiting to hear back from a training company on a date change for staff, and will either start back at school on Wednesday 6th September, or Thursday 7th September. We'll then finish in July on either Thursday 18th July, or Friday 19th July. We'll confirm the final dates with parents after half-term.

Congratulations Mis Wigston!

A huge Churchfield congratulations to Miss Wigston, who gets married this weekend! After half-term she'll be known as **Mrs Perry**.

Sun Cream & Hats

Finally, the weather is starting to look and feel more like summer! Temperatures are due to rise to around 20+ over the next week or so, so as we enter the summer months, please remember to send your child to school with a hat, and apply sun cream before school.

Pallet Donations

We are searching for donations of wooden pallets to use around school for our environment – if you know anyone or any companies, please let Mrs Foster or Mrs Bean know!

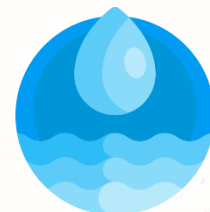


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Safeguarding – Water Safety

With the hot days approaching, ensuring our children know how to be safe around water is so important! There are a number of rivers, reservoirs and bodies of water around Cudworth and the wider Barnsley area. Every summer there is tragic news of children or young people coming to harm by swimming in open water, where it is not permitted – especially when the weather is warmer.



In Cudworth, there is the River Dearne at Ring Farm, Carlton Marsh Nature Reserve and the small (but deep) area of water by Storrs Mill Woods off the Trans-Pennine Trail. Please keep track of where children are if they are playing out, and reinforce the dangers of entering open water.

Letter from South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue

South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue would like to bring to your attention the associated dangers relating to young people entering open water. As the warmer weather is now upon us we would like to guide you to some water safety advice for your Children and young people.

Our key messages, for children of all ages across the county, are as follows:

- **Tombstoning:** – You should never jump, dive or ‘cannonball’ into open bodies of water such as Rivers, lakes, quarries and Oceans– you don’t know what’s underneath the surface and as the waters depth is constantly changing. There is a serious risk of life changing injury.
- **Cold water shock:** – In South Yorkshire we are losing on average 5 young people per year to this reaction. The UK is a cold water country which means no open water is above 15 degrees. A public swimming pool is between 26–28 degrees. Fatalities are caused by the cold temperature and how it affects someone entering the water. Firstly it causes a deep intake of breath (Gasping) Dirty water will usually be mixed with the air breathed in, which potentially will cause secondary drowning and possibly infection. All a person’s blood will be directed to their core to protect their major organs. This takes blood from their arms legs which are needed for swimming. This makes it very difficult for someone to swim and we have solid evidence to suggest this is how lives are being lost.
- **Infection:** – Water borne diseases are often life changing. Our open waters contain raw sewage as you may have seen in the news recently. Diseases you can catch are Hepatitis A & C – Weils (from female rats urine) – E-coli- Botulism.
- **Debris:** – In all our open water sites we have found floating driftwood, shopping trolleys, broken glass and weeds and reeds (vegetation) which can affect your ability to get out and also cause serious injury.
- You should only swim where it’s safe and legal – the swimming baths, outdoor lidos and other sites where lifeguards are present. Or join an open water club Like Manvers at Dearne. “Swim your swim” are a national open water group who you can find online.
- Don’t give in to peer pressure from your friends to jump into the unknown,
- Should you get into trouble in the water you should float to live (starfish position facing upwards)– try to stay calm and just focus your energy on floating and shouting for help – until support arrives.
- If you see someone in trouble in water give the above advice. Call 999 and ask for the Fire service. Keep your eyes on them until we arrive.
- **What 3 words:** – Please make all young people aware of this app. Download to their smartphone to help with location. As often these areas are remote.