



Churchfield C.E. Primary Academy

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Friday 10th October 2025

Next Week

Dates of future events are at the end of the letter

Monday	PE Enrichment Day - everyone in PE kits please
Tuesday	Swimming for Year 4 and Year 5
Wednesday	Young Voices Choir - lunchtime with Miss Hall Parents Meetings 1 - 5:30pm (there are still a few free appointment slots)
Thursday	Year 5 and 6 Timezones Day TT Rock Stars Club for Year 4, 5 and 6 - lunchtime with Mr. Ansell
Friday	Celebration Assembly for invited parents 3pm

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been great to see the children in yellow today as we mark World Mental Health Day. Thanks to those of you who were able to make a donation to the Young Minds charity today - once we've counted it all up we will send a donation on behalf of the school.

I am pleased to say that our work with the local Mental Health Support Team will be continuing this year. Jordan Lane from the team will be in the school on Wednesday afternoon with some information for parents about the work the team do. Please do go and say hello and feel free to bring up any questions you may have with her, when waiting for your parent meeting appointment.

Words of the Week

Caterpillars	ignore		
Butterflies	decade	vegetable	plus
Dragonflies	physical features	teenager	bonds
Squirrels	Neolithic	fossil	digit
Robins	architecture	carnivore	estimate
Kingfishers	blacksmith	chronology	column subtraction
Stags	blacksmith	chronology	common factors

Introducing Revd. Albert

For those of you who were not able to attend our Harvest Festival at church last week and didn't get to meet Revd Albert in person, here he is!

I am Revd Albert Danquah, a new member of the Church of England clergy here in Rugeley.

I am delighted to be able to visit Churchfield regularly and be part of some activities in school.

Revd Albert is going to be a regular visitor to Churchfield and I know he is looking forward to getting to know all of our children and parents over the coming weeks and months.



A message to all parents from The Childhood Immunisation Team

Our team are attending Churchfield C of E Primary Academy **Tuesday 21st October 2025** to give the flu vaccine. We would like your consent to vaccinate your child. You can give this by filling in our online form (the link is below).

This academic year the School Age Immunisation Service are vaccinating students from Reception to Year 11. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu. Most children are offered a nasal spray vaccine which is a quick and painless spray up the nose. Please answer the questions on the consent form as a small number of children cannot have the nasal spray because of medical conditions or treatments. They can be offered protection through a vaccine injection instead.

Even if your child had the vaccine last year, the type of flu can vary each winter, so it is recommended to have it again this year or they won't be protected.

How to respond

It will take less than 5 minutes to respond using the link below. <https://forms.mpft.nhs.uk/?session=6644&code=SS144386-25> When using this link, you should not be asked for a code however, there have been cases where parents have been asked to provide a code to consent for their child's flu vaccination. If this occurs, then please select your child's school and use the code SS144386-25. The portal for your school will close on **Friday 17th October 2025 at 10:00am.**

Reception Open Day

We will be holding two open sessions in our Early Years settings on Tuesday 21st October from 1.45-3.00pm and from 4:00-5:00pm. There is a poster advertising this at the end of the letter and it will be being advertised on social media. If you know people who have children who will be starting Reception in 2026, or who are looking for nursery places, please do share the date and times. Thank you.

Learning at Churchfield



Caterpillars have been having a brilliant Monster-themed week and have really impressed with their learning about *Not Now Bernard*. Butterflies have been very creative, making masks of the Three Little Pigs. On Wednesday Butterflies and Dragonflies had a wonderful morning with the *Great Imagining* - great art work and some very impressive face-painting!



Squirrels enjoyed the big reveal of the fossils they created in Science.



If you have anything you would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours Faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "G Lloyd".

Mr G Lloyd
Head of School

Value of the Month: Compassion

'Compassion' and 'sympathy' have much in common and both are stronger in meaning than simply 'feeling sorry for' someone. The words have their roots in the idea of 'suffering with' someone, putting yourself in someone else's shoes and experiencing what they experience. This leads to a desire to act, to do something.

The father in the parable of the Prodigal Son is not just forgiving. He is described as being filled with compassion. The father seems to understand everything that his son is feeling and responds by giving him everything he needs: a whole-hearted welcome, acceptance and love.

1 Peter 3:8

Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble.

Upcoming dates

Tuesday 21st October	Reception Open Morning
Friday 24 th October	Break up for half-term
Monday 3 rd November	Children return to school

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about EA SPORTS FC 26



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AN ANNUAL RELEASE SCHEDULE

As was the case with the last two EA Sports FC games and the FIFA series before it, the franchise rolls out once a year with updated squads and new features. This can make it expensive to keep up with, particularly when so many dedicated players are keen to get their hands on the latest edition.

VOICE CHAT

Voice chat can be enabled across all platforms, meaning young people can speak to anyone they play with or against. While it can be switched off, some children will no doubt want to speak to their friends while they play. This also means they may encounter strangers much older than them, which can expose them to inappropriate language or behaviours.

IN-GAME PURCHASES THROUGH ULTIMATE TEAM

Ultimate Team is the big draw for EA Sports FC, letting players spend real money on packs that they can open to build a squad of the world's best players. They're not always easy to obtain, and new, improved versions of players will be regularly added as limited-time offerings. Young people could feel pressured into spending money and experience fear of missing out.

SCAMMERS IN ULTIMATE TEAM

Ultimate Team is managed by EA itself, but that hasn't stopped scammers from looking to dupe players out of money and in-game coins. Some scammers sell their accounts, which is a violation of EA's terms of service, while others will 'sell' coins - something the developer is still working to crack down on. Some try to gain access to others' accounts, potentially giving them access to payment information.

POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

While EA Sports FC is potentially addictive, thanks to its fast-paced gameplay and mirroring of the real-world skill and glamour of football, Ultimate Team's focus on limited-time rewards and the lottery of winning packs can make it feel closer to gambling than gaming, which may lead to addiction and impulsive spending of money.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PREPARE FOR ANOTHER GAME IN A YEAR

The annual-release cadence aligns with the return of the school year, and can be a great way to incentivise good behaviour at the start of term. If children are applying themselves and preparing for a new year of school, or were particularly well behaved in the summer, EA Sports FC 26 could make a great reward.

MONITOR VOICE CHAT

As in-game chat is open, be sure to adjust the settings in EA Sports FC 26 to lock it down. If children want to chat with their friends while they play, consider setting up a safe space for them to call, to allow them to play without fear of outsiders.

LIMIT SPENDING

If you're worried about children accidentally spending real money in Ultimate Team, whether in game or on the EA Sports FC companion app, don't link a payment card to their account. Reclaiming funds can be a mountain to climb, and the dopamine hit of opening flashy packs with slick animations means one purchase can lead to another very quickly. It's also worth adding a prepaid card if you'd prefer them to make their own choices with their budget.

BE VIGILANT

As with last year, there are ways to keep scammers at bay. Ensure passwords are locked down, and consider using a password manager application to keep them secure. EA will never contact players through the game itself, so be vigilant with incoming messages, and block and report suspected spam. EA will contact players by email if needed, but they will never ask for usernames or passwords. Players should also avoid buying in-game currency from unofficial websites - doing so can lead to accounts being banned and could cost players money in the process.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is an experienced freelance writer and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for seven years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.



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Join us for our Early Years Open Afternoon!

Tuesday 21st October
1.45-3.00 & 4.00-5.00

Meet the staff and visit the Reception, Nursery
and 2 Year olds classrooms.



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