



Christ Church School Newsletter 5th March 2021

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Reception Class:
Scarlett and Aemilia

Year 1:

Hannah and Tom

Year 2:

John and Petra

Year 3:

Rosa and Ellie

Year 4:

Ruby and Bertie

Year 5:

Y5 Home Learners

Year 6:

Phoebe and Tabitha P

Philosophy For Children



Each week in the newsletter we will pose a question that you and your child or your family can discuss.....remember, listen and respect each other's views!

What is your favourite song? Why do you like it?

*We are really looking
forward to seeing you all again
on Monday!*

Here is some helpful advice for
everyone from ELSA Support.

[Click here](#)



Colour Box Art Club



Colour Box Art Club will be
starting again this term.

Mondays: Y6 only

Fridays: Y1 & Y2 (Bubble)

If your child is interested,
please sign up via our
[Pay+ system](#).

Christ Church and
Holy Trinity Instagram

[@ccht federation](#)



Dear Children and Parents,

We are so pleased to finally be welcoming all children back to school next week. This has been a very difficult time for everyone and it will be amazing to be able to be a whole school in one place again.

As outlined in my previous email, we will still need to stay in learning bubbles at school and follow all previous covid secure practice. We ask that you continue to follow social distancing guidelines and wear masks when dropping off and picking up children from school.

We will not be able to admit parents into school yet and so drop off and pick up will be in the same places and the same times as it was for the Autumn Term. When the children arrive in the morning there will be a 20 minute window that children need to arrive in 8.50am – 9.10am so that large groups will not gather on the Piazza or around the school.

Please look carefully at the timetable that teachers will email you for classes so you know which days are PE uniform and which are full uniform. Have a look at the uniform pages in this newsletter as a reminder of expectations.

We cannot thank the families enough who have stayed at home this term. You have contributed to the very important nationwide effort to bring down the numbers of people contracting covid. Your fortitude and resilience to keep on going and keep on learning in whichever way you could is so appreciated.

So looking forward to seeing you all on Monday.
Best wishes, Mrs. Hawkins



Birthdays!

*Birthdays from
27th February to
5th March*

**Michael (Rec)
Harper (Rec)
Starky (Y2)**

*We wish you
all a very
happy birthday!*



**EVERYTHING
IS INTERESTING**
MIND & BODY EXPLORATIONS
TO LIVEN UP THE WEEK

Everything is Interesting is an activity page on our school website.

Each week Mrs Davies will add some fascinating facts and ideas for you all to explore.

In this week's Everything is Interesting

- ◇ We focus on World Book Day!
- ◇ Who is MC Grammar?!
- ◇ Make your own book
- ◇ Meet World Book Day Author, Rob Biddulph

.....and more!

[Click here!](#)

Virtual Walk



Not far from Northern Iran, with over 160 participants and more than 3,424KMS on the clock, after only 4 days of walking is amazing. But we still need your help! Christchurch New Zealand is a long way away and we would love every single parent and child, governor, member of staff and our community and respective families to be marching across the Middle East and through into Asia before we head down to the last long hurdle through Australasia, all by the end of March. Can we

make it?! Please rally the troops for our intrepid journey and let's try and raise some fabulous funds for our children's enrichment programme next term and Covid catch up provisions. Baking, making, modelling, outdoor fun and activities, after school clubs, class trips, specialist speakers and much, much more. We hope to raise £14,000 by walking over 14,000 miles. Here is how to help: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/cchtvirtualwalk>.

Top Tips for joining the Christ Church & Holy Trinity race around the world for Covid catch up and summer term enrichment:

- Logging in and signing up is easier on a computer or laptop rather than a mobile phone, because you are able to view the page in full.

Click on this link <https://www.ultrabritain.com/events/ccht/virtual-walk>

- Click on the yellow button that says **Enter Online Now** at the top of the page.

- To take part in the walk you will need to create an account with Ultra Britain by signing up using an email address and a password.

- Buy a 'virtual' ticket for the event at NO cost. You will need to **Checkout** over 3 pages (ie. click checkout x 3) before you have officially joined the event. No bank details are requested or required.

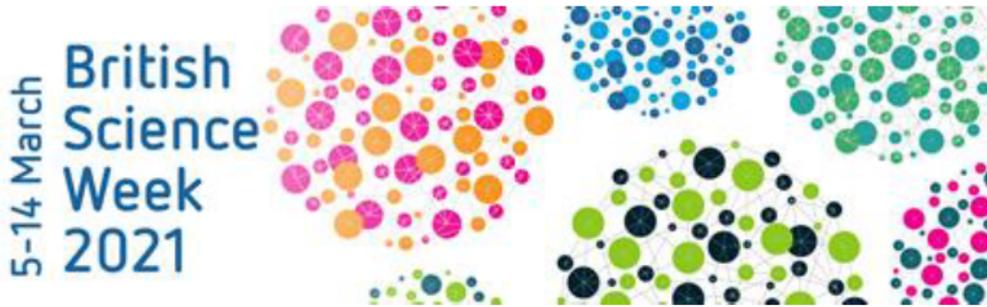
- Click on the orange button on the right hand side of the page that says **Connect to Strava**. If you are using a mobile phone the **Connect to Strava** button is at the bottom of the page.

- If you have a Strava account login and 'authorise' the virtual walk.

- If you do not have a Strava account, sign up to Strava and then follow the step above by logging in to Ultra Britain and clicking on the **Connect to Strava** button.

Another final option is not to link a Strava account and to upload your miles manually. To do this you click on the blue **Your Activities** button under the running total, and input the requested data.





“Children have a natural curiosity that lends itself to science, technology, math, and engineering. We need to inspire children to build on their innate desire for answers by exploring engineering concepts in a fun, hands-on way.”

The theme for the British Science Week 2021 is ‘Innovating for the future’. We are holding a science afternoon on the 8th March for the children to become excited by engineering and space travel. We thought using the recent landing on Mars might inspire curiosity to solve problems and be imaginative.

Interesting Links

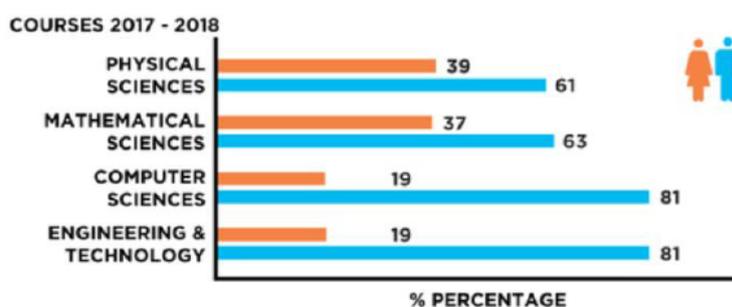
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<https://www.britishsocietyweek.org/plan-your-activities/activity-packs/>

<https://www.science-sparks.com/easy-ideas-for-british-science-week/>

It is also International Woman's Day on March 8th. In KS2 the children will also be discussing.

“Women and girls represent half of the world’s population and, therefore, also half of its potential.” However ...



There is a growth in certain science sectors however Engineering is extremely low.



THE RESULTS!

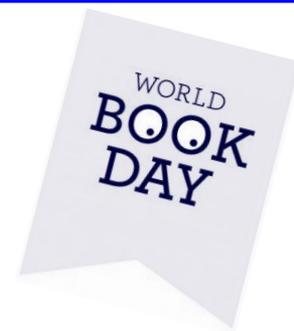
Thank you so much to everybody who took part!

Holy Trinity

- No.1 Miss Aina
- No.2 Mrs McDonald
- No.3 Mrs Sheahan
- No.4 Miss Georgina
- No.5 Miss Verity
- No.6 Miss Birmingham
- No.7 Mrs Hawkins

Christ Church

- No.1 Miss Aina
- No.2 Miss Kennedy
- No.3 Mrs Ross
- No.4 Mrs Nelson
- No.5 Mrs Davies
- No.6 Miss London
- No.7 Mrs Palmer
- No.8 Miss Adams
- No.9 Mrs James
- No.10 Miss Dettmer



**World Book Day
Thursday 4th March**

Great fun and great outfits were worn at Christ Church school yesterday!

Here are Y4 in their fabulous outfits! More photos to follow in next week's newsletter!

If any of our home learners got to dress up, please send your photos to jkelly@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk—we would love to include yours too!

Online Spring Bulb Sale In time for Mother's Day on 14th March

Celebrate Mother's Day on 14th March by picking, planting and potting your own fragrant bulbs. We have a selection of pink, blue and white hyacinths, blue muscari, yellow narcissus and beautiful irises. They will certainly lighten and brighten your day as well as hers, especially if they have been lovingly potted by you!

Why not match your bulb to a small pretty bone inlay pot with a special discount for our families from Tooka, one of our own CCHT mother's business, or combine with a scented candle from our selection from St. Eval – vintage rose, bay & rosemary, amber, moss, oak, fig or tabac. Orders can be made from **5th – 10th March** on our online shop www.cchtshop.com for delivery to Christ Church School and pick up only on **Friday 12th March**.

Profits from our sales go straight into our Federation Fund for resources for the children and our schools.

Thank you in advance for your support,



Uniform Reminder

Please remember to wear the right uniform on the right day. Follow the timetables your teachers have sent home for PE and full uniform.

Please email [Mrs Hawkins](mailto:Mrs.Hawkins) if you have trouble with not being able to get school shoes and the ones you have are too small.

Reception children wear the school track suit and bring their trainers in to school in a bag on their PE days.

School Uniform Year 1 - Year 6

Boys

Winter

2nd half Autumn Term and Spring Term



red jumper navy trousers white shirt

Summer

1st half of Autumn Term & Summer Term



red jumper navy shorts white shirt

- navy blue or red socks (white socks are not school uniform!)
- navy blue or black shoes



Girls

Winter

2nd half Autumn Term and Spring Term



red cardigan smock or navy skirt white shirt

Summer

1st half of Autumn Term & Summer Term



red cardigan summer dress

- navy blue or red socks/ tights and navy blue or black shoes
- navy blue or red hair accessories only!



PE Kit

- blue logo polo shirt and jumper
- plain blue tracksuit bottoms or shorts.
No logos on tracksuit bottoms please!
- trainers should be brought to school in a school bag – ready to change into for their PE lesson

The children can have a blue or red school bag.



There is also a school coat or the children can wear a plain blue duffle coat or other plain blue coat – no fur collars please.



- When it is cold the children may wear either the school hat or a plain navy blue or red hat.
- In the summer, children should wear a school sun hat.

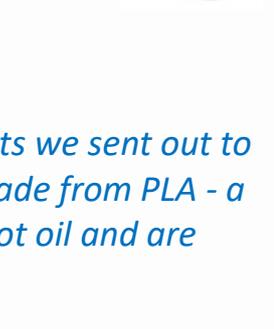
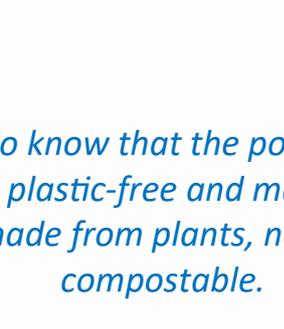
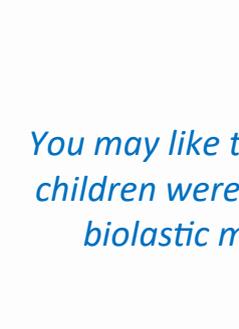
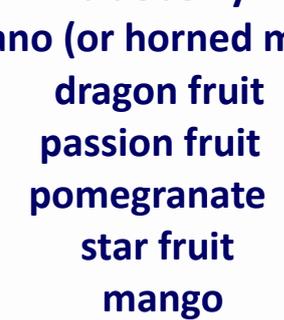


- Scarves and gloves should be navy blue or red.

Fruity Friday!

We hope all the home learners enjoyed their fruit boxes this week.

Did you guess what they all were?



The fruits included in the tasting session were:

- pineapple
- strawberry
- guava
- orange
- blood orange
- grapefruit
- white grape
- black grape
- cantaloupe melon
- kumkwat
- blueberry
- kiwano (or horned melon)
- dragon fruit
- passion fruit
- pomegranate
- star fruit
- mango

You may like to know that the pots we sent out to children were plastic-free and made from PLA - a biolastic made from plants, not oil and are compostable.



It was lovely to see everyone dressed in their fruity colours!





Here were some of the fruits that were just in the classrooms, not in the pots sent out to home learners as there were only small amounts.

Prickly pear
Tamerind
Rambutan



Dance Lesson KS1

A new dance film has been added to our website for Reception and KS1 children.



Get moving with our Dance Teacher, Miss Heywood!

[Click here](#)

Carnival Week

Photos from Carnival Week are now on the News and Events section of our website.



You will also find the link button to the activities of the week and the challenges set by our Carnival Queen.

**CLICK
HERE**

We can't wait to welcome everyone back safely this Easter! Helping parents with childcare this Easter.



MATILDA



**Bookings for this week are based on the premise that the camp will be providing parents with child care, to help enable them to work.*

TOY STORY



Join us for our spectacular **EASTER CAMPS**



Working towards a professionally filmed performance!

Running in Putney and Richmond

MATILDA: Tuesday 6th - Friday 9th April, 9am - 3.30pm each day

TOY STORY: Monday 12th - Thursday 15th April, 9am - 3.30pm each day

PUTNEY: St Mary's Church (just by Putney Bridge), SW15 1SN

RICHMOND: Christs School, Queens Road, TW10 6HW

The health and wellbeing of everyone is of upmost importance and so now more than ever, the safety and welfare of everyone attending a Little Voices camp is our number one priority. Keeping inline with government guidance our numbers will be capped at 15 children per camp. Our friendly team of tutors will ensure every day is packed with lots of laughs, fun, drama, singing and performing allowing everyone to build in confidence whilst adhering to government guidelines. Rest assured, that if we have to cancel a camp refunds will be given in full.



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Call: 0208 088 0113
www.littlevoices.org.uk

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*We are working closely with our outstanding school partners and venues to ensure that the facilities and programmes meet all the requirements of the Department for Education and Public Health England. Some plans may change as guidance evolves, ensuring that we are doing all we can to keep everyone safe whilst offering an outstanding service to all parents and children. If a child comes down with COVID symptoms and cannot attend our camp we will offer a full refund or will refund for the days they can no longer attend. Anyone displaying Coronavirus symptoms will be required not to come to our camp until they have met the self-isolation or testing requirements. All Little Voices tutors are fully enhanced DBS checked and hold Level 3 First Aid Paediatric Training. Prices may vary. Subject to application and consent for your child to be filmed for the final performance.

Chef Katie's Famous Katsu Curry! Zoom Cooking Class

It was great that so many home learners managed to join us this week to make Katsu Curry with our Chef, Katie, and the in-school learners. We hoped you enjoyed making and eating your Katsu Curry as much as the children in school did!



Fantastic Work

yoanai com

If you prefer, an adult can scribe this part.

My character is a yoanai com = unicorn ☺
 It can fly and dance and sing.
 It likes to be the queen of the castle and do magic.

Aemilia, Rec



ENGLISH

Marcus Rashford

Come on Man U

Taking care of yourself and your family also children in need.

Dedication to the game also how you interact with your teammates.

How you play with the ball skills passing and how you are comfortable with doing skills that are hard and being able to shoot and dribble.

How you interact with your Manager

What Makes A good Footballer?

Ted, Y5

English, 1.3.2021

Aylin, Y2

What a kind girl you are!
 Zahra is kind because she helps the tree grow.

What a determined girl you are!
 Zahra is determined because she waters the tree under the hot sunshine.

What a caring girl you are!
 Zahra is caring because she cares about nature.

How amazing you are!
 Zahra is an amazing girl because she is selfless and caring towards others.

How thoughtful you are!
 Zahra is a thoughtful girl because she thinks about plants.

What a strong girl you are!
 Zahra is a strong girl because she carries the heavy pot full of water.

My list of suitable adjectives to describe the character of Zahra: kind, determined, caring, amazing, strong, selfless, thoughtful and dedicated.

Fantastic Work

Thursday English 04/03/2021
 A long time ago there was a black, tiled chair called Jenniger that lived in the colourful classroom. Jenniger started to slowly bend over on one Monday morning because the children stabbed her with their pens too much.

Eloise, Y1



Ted, Y5



If you prefer, an adult can scribe this part.

My character is a yellow and orange rainbow unicorn
 It can turn things into rainbows
 It likes to eat ice cream with children

Natalie, Rec



Leonardo, Y1



Zuri, Y1



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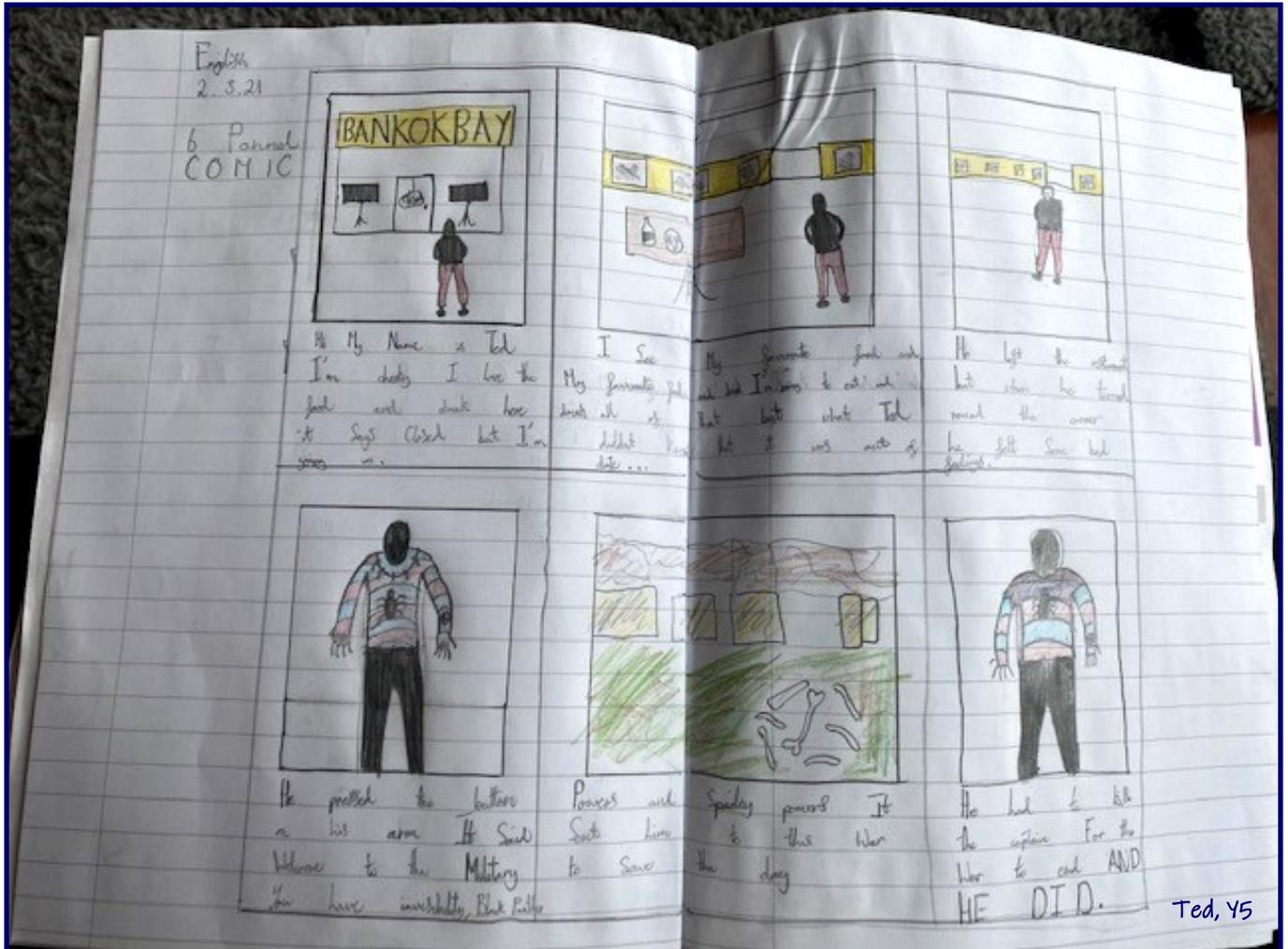
My character is a big blue monster
 It can sing songs
 It likes to sing things

Rupert, Rec



Leah, Y3

Fantastic Work



**DON'T
WAST
WATER!**

Every day people have to live searching for water and
were so lucky because we don't have to! Every
single day in England 3 billion Litres of water is
wasted!!! That could be enough to hydrate the entire
population of Africa! So **DON'T WAST WATER!**
Be grateful that you have water.

Anna, Y4





Recommended Read



The Extraordinary Life of Katherine Johnson (All AGES)

Author: Devika Jina Illustrator: Maggie Cole Publisher: Puffin



The story of a woman whose brain power changed our world.

Katherine Johnson was a child who loved numbers, who went on to become one of the most important people in the history of space travel.

Katherine proved that her knowledge and hard work were absolutely essential, when the odds were stacked against her. And when the time came, Katherine was the mathematician who sent the very first humans to the moon.

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS!



Weekly Headlines



Most Accurate	Fastest	Most Active	Rank Amongst Local schools
Year 3 JB 97.14%	Year 6 EH (1.49 sec/q)	Year 1 EA 71%	17/30

Individual Class Leaderboards

Holy Trinity

Year 2 _{JM}	Year 3 _{JB}	Year 4 _{CH}	Year 5 _{GB}	Year 6 _{TM}
Valentina	Eden	Maria	Samantha	Amaro

Christ Church

Year 2 _{MK}	Year 3 _{EH}	Year 4 _{NK}	Year 5 _{ADML}	Year 6 _{EH}
Ellie	Leah	Adam	Molly	Heidi

Special Mentions

Reception Class

The first student of the week in Reception Class is a girl who has an air of magic surrounding her! She is one of the most polite and charming children Miss Gaskill has ever met. She is lovely in every way and we have missed her so much whilst she has been learning at home. It has been fantastic to see her over Zoom. She joins in with every single session and always has a big smile on her face. She waits for her turn to speak so patiently and enjoys listening carefully to her friends. She has also been working very hard on her learning, whether that is writing the numerals to 30, or making a beautiful mask for the Spanish carnival. She puts one hundred percent effort into everything that she does. The Reception Class team cannot wait to welcome her back. Well done, **Scarlett**

The second student of the week in Reception Class is a girl who could receive the certificate every week! She is a joy to teach and always makes the right choices. Every classroom needs someone like her, as she is so helpful, kind and fun to be with. Her amazing learning at home has truly blown Miss Gaskill away. From the very first day of home schooling to the last, she has remained incredibly motivated and focused. It is so hard to choose just one piece of standout learning, as she has tried her best across all of the subjects. However, one particularly fabulous piece was her story that she created for World Book Day. It was based on a unicorn and this student really got into character by dressing up in her unicorn onesie! She also illustrated her story beautifully. Thank you for all your hard work. A big well done, **Aemilia**

Year 1

Our first student of the week has had an impressive week. This student regularly displays the qualities of an excellent learner and her concentration on the carpet has been especially wonderful this week. This girl's hand is always shooting up and she is keen to share her interesting ideas. Even when she isn't quite sure of an answer, she is always prepared to have a try. Her mathematical reasoning is improving by the week and Miss Adams was wowed to hear her use the key terms 'longer than' and 'shorter than' to compare lengths of objects. This student then went on to explain how that in order to measure the length of objects, it is very important to line them up side by side first so we can measure them accurately. This explanation not only showed off her excellent understanding but also helped her friends to understand how compare length too. This student has also been beavering away at home to practise her 5 times tables. What a Maths star you are! Thank you for setting such a great example to everyone in Year One. Congratulations, **Hannah!**

Our second student of the week has grown in confidence and maturity such a lot over this last term. This boy amazed Miss Adams when he wrote fantastic sentences in English this week. When describing how the crayons felt in 'The Day the Crayons Quit' for World Book Week, this student used brilliant expanded noun phrases. He explained how the character, Yellow Crayon felt 'confident because he thought he was the colour of the sun' and Beige Crayon was too 'embarrassed' to come out of his crayon box. Not only did this boy challenge himself to use interesting adjectives but he also used the conjunction 'because' to give reasons for his answers- wow! He later went on to use adjectives to describe the setting of 'the comfy, pink book corner' for his own story. One of the many reasons it is an utter pleasure to have this boy in Year One is because of his joyful sense of humour; he is quick to see the funny side of a situation and is always ready to share his lovely smile with those around him. Keep on shining! Congratulations, **Tom!**

Year 2

The first student of the week goes to a boy who has really impressed Miss Kelly with his fantastic writing the past few weeks. He has been working extremely hard to try to meet his target of including all the sounds in words and is starting to make great progress. He has also been working super hard to write in cursive, taking his time to write on the line and include all the joins for each letter. His writing was so impressive that Miss Kelly was a bit confused and thought she had written it! This boy is also a total superstar when it comes to following instructions, always getting ready quickly and quietly and earning lots of Dojo points. Keep working hard. We are all so proud of you! Congratulations, **John!**

The next student of the week goes to a girl who has been so phenomenal throughout home learning. Miss Kelly loves checking Dojo at the end of each day to see the fantastic work she has produced and is so impressed with the effort she has put into every task for the past nine weeks. Home learning has been difficult, but this girl has made it look easy as she does it all with a big smile on her face. She has such a delightful, bubbly personality and we cannot wait to have her back in our classroom to help brighten it up! Miss Kelly has been particularly impressed with her English work this week as she created some excellent expanded noun phrases such as 'gold, chunky jewellery' and 'determined, young girl'. The last expanded noun phrase sounds just like you! Congratulations and well done, **Petra!**

Year 3

Another fantastic week in Year three with lots of marvellous Maths and excellent English work being produced amongst many other things!

This special mention goes to someone who has been working very hard at home, producing some excellent work, especially in English. Mrs Hermes was especially impressed with the poetry that she wrote last week; it was clear that she had been thoughtful with her choice of words and had chosen her rhyming words carefully to make her poem really stand out! She did a great job of reading her poem clearly paying attention to her intonation and rhythm. She is always kind and polite in our zoom calls too, which reflects her behaviour in class! Well done and keep up the good work **Rosa!**

This special mention goes to someone who has been enthusiastic about their learning this week, especially when it comes to sharing their love of books! This person has worked carefully to share their ideas with the class and learn from other people to add to her own thoughts. It's been great to see her staying focused on her work, especially in maths and persevering even when things are tricky. She did a great job of researching her topic for her special project, thinking carefully about which questions to ask to find out information to add to her presentation to make it interesting and informative! Well done and keep up the good work, **Ellie!**

Year 4

This week's specials mention goes to a student who's excellent attitude to learning and behaviour has been noticed by many! It's been a joy to have her in class and see the progress she's made from all of her hard work. Her hand has been flying up in class, answering questions about fractions as well as working hard to extend her writing. She's had fun with all of her friends, playing with different people and making the most of being at school. Her manners have been exceptional too. Congratulations, **Ruby**

Well done to this pupil for his excellent behaviour throughout the term, as well as some exceptional problem solving in maths! He is a popular friend to many and he's had to try really hard to ignore some of the distractions around him so that he can learn and I'm really proud of him for that as it's not always easy! At the same time, he has been kind to his friends trying to help them too and listen to what they have to say and acknowledge their ideas. Well done for being such a dedicated learner and kind friend to our maths super star, **Bertie**.

Year 5

This week the adults in Year 5 want to give a big cheer to all of the Year 5 children who have been learning at home this term. We are all so proud of your effort and endeavour to keep completing your daily learning and activities. We loved to see you every morning on the English Zoom meetings and reading your excellent learning on Dojo that evening. What stars you are! You have also learned useful new skills in working remotely and independently. We had many memorable times – Katsu chicken, Spanish carnival, Drama, Artful Reading, playtime with Mrs Webb and much more. Everyone is so excited to welcome you back to your classroom but Mrs Davies will also miss our weekly tutor groups. We have all learned many things since the start of 2021 – some of them planned, others unexpected! Many congratulations and very heartfelt thank you from us all – **Year 5 Home Learners**

Year 6

This student of the week is a home learner who has worked exceptionally well on her fraction work this week. She has persevered during difficult topics and has gained confidence in her skill set. She drew a beautiful picture of the 'Last Supper' and successfully made her drawings detailed and her thought bubbles insightful. For English, she created a very thorough timeline for Barack Obama making sure to carefully place each event in the correct position. She did a wonderful job at reading out the poem 'Silly Baboon' on Zoom making sure to enunciate all of her words and maintain a steady pace. Although she has been home learning for a longer time than most, she has remained polite and positive during all interactions on Zoom. She meets all activities with a can do attitude and puts a lot of effort into each piece of work. We are really looking forward to seeing her next week! Well done **Phoebe!**

This student of the week is a polite, responsible and kind young girl. She always listens to instructions and is very helpful around the classroom. This week in English, she created a very funny nonsense poem based on Spike Milligan's Ning Nang Nong. Here is an extract:

*On the Ning Nang Nong
Where the dogs go zong!
And the parents all live in a zoo!
On the Nong Nang Ning
Where the cats wear bling!
And the pencils flibber flabber floo!*

She had some brilliant ideas for rhyming words and worked hard on making her syllables match so that the poem would flow when read out loud. In addition to her work this week, she has been a true role model in terms of behavior to the other children. Each activity she has been given, she completes calmly and to a high degree. Her maturity and desire to do the right things is meaning that she is well on her way to becoming a lead learner. Well done **Tabitha P!**

Donations to Kensington & Chelsea Foodbank

With a short month, our contribution to Foodbank is here again. Our friends at *Kensington and Chelsea Foodbank* are so grateful for all that we give; media rarely makes any mention of the increasing numbers of people in work who need foodbanks, including those in many of the front-line services where sadly, clapping doesn't put food on the table. Teachers and NHS workers are amongst the many turning to foodbanks because their salaries no longer cover basic need; many people furloughed in the first lockdown were being faced with redundancy during the second at Christmas time, which has now happened – they find foodbanks are essential to survival. We are also discovering that many loopholes in the government's temporary evictions ban is leading to many losing their accommodation. So, our contributions continue to be much needed. This time, whatever you can give would be hugely appreciated, especially if it includes:

Tinned tomatoes

Spaghetti hoops

Tinned Tuna

Tomato ketchup/puree

Pasta sauce

Cereals (please regular sizes)

Toiletries: Shower gel, deodorant, soap, washing up liquid, washing powder

Very many thanks for your help this time. Donations can be brought in sturdy carrier bags and placed in the Foodbank Trolley at the front of Holy Trinity Church on Friday 5th March from 12.00 – 16.00 and on Sunday 7th March from 10.30 until 12.30.





Friday 5th March

Reception Class Newsletter

This week we:

- Recapped the sounds /ow/ (powder), /oi/ (coin), and /qu/ (quick) during our Alphabet Code lessons.
 - Celebrated World Book Day on Thursday. We looked wonderful in our pyjamas and costumes! We read *There's a Monster in Your Book* by Tom Fletcher. This is an interactive story with lots of actions for the reader to join in. We created our own characters and thought of different ways that the reader could interact with them.
- Continued to use Handa's Surprise as a focus for our writing. We wrote instructions to let Handa know how to make a smoothie with her delicious fruits.
- Began to subtract numbers within 10. We use the terms *subtract* and *take away*.
 - Learnt about the Last Supper in R.E. We drew and labelled a picture of a special meal we would like to have if we were going away. We thought about who we would invite and what we would eat. Christians have bread and wine in church to remember Jesus.

Next week we will be:

- Learning how to read and write the sounds /ear/ (dear), /air/ (chair), and /er/ (ladder).
 - Using Hansel and Gretel as a focus for writing.
 - Taking part in British Science Week.

AOB

We are all so excited to welcome the children back to school on Monday! Starting from next week, we will be returning to our usual timetable:

- Homework books will be sent out on **Friday**. Please return to school by **Wednesday**.
 - Reading books will be sent out on **Monday**. Please return by **Friday**.
- Dance will be on **Monday**. PE will be on **Thursday** and **Friday**. Please put the children's trainers in their bags on these days.

Have a great weekend ☺



Learning at Christ Church in Year 1

Friday 5th March 2021

In Maths, we have been comparing the lengths of objects. We thought about how in order to measure the lengths of objects we need to first line them up so they are side by side. We also need to check that they are starting from the same place to make sure our measurements are accurate. We have been using the terms 'longer than', 'longest', 'shorter than' and 'shortest'.

In English, we have read the story: 'The Day the Crayons Quit' to celebrate World Book Week. We used interesting adjectives to describe how the characters of the crayons were feeling and then we innovated our own stories, creating our own characters from objects in the Year One classroom. Well done to everyone who dressed up on Thursday- you all looked amazing! 😊

We drew some bold self-portraits in Art this week using brightly coloured oil pastels. In Spanish we watched the story of 'The Little Red Riding Hood' and then practised our vocabulary for the parts of the face and different colours.

I am incredibly excited to see everyone return to school on Monday! Please could you bring in all your Home Learning books for us to wither keep in school or use for future homework. Thank you. See you soon!

A great week in Year 1!
Have a peaceful weekend!



Learning at Christ Church in Year 2

Friday, 5th March 2021

We did it! After nine, long weeks of home learning, we will ALL be back in the classroom on Monday. I cannot wait to get stuck into all the fantastic things we have planned. Thank you for all your hard work the past nine weeks, whether you have been at home or school, or a combination of both. I am so proud of how resilient you have been!

In Maths, we looked at lines of symmetry and found lots of objects in the classroom that were symmetrical. We learnt that this means they were identical on either side if we drew an imaginary line down the middle. We had a few difficulties drawing the whole but realised if we counted the squares on the grid paper that made it a lot easier. We also looked at different ways we could sort 2D shapes then created patterns.

In English we continued our unit, Tales from Other Cultures, focusing on the clip 'Zahra'. We created a character description of Zahra filled with exclamations, expanded noun phrases and conjunctions. On Thursday we celebrated World Book Day by looking at a book called 'Protect the Planet' by Jess French. We thought about why the world deserves our protection then learnt about the different ways we could help save it. We then wrote a letter to a person of our choice detailing why we should save our planet and how. I have already made a start on reducing my use of plastic after reading your letters!

We also learnt a lot during our Foundation subjects, identifying the key differences between villages, towns and cities in Geography, continuing to learn about the way music has changed over the past 60 years in History, and exploring printing with different objects in Art.

On Monday, please bring in your green home learning books and your red SPAG books that went home before Christmas. Your reading books need to be brought in on Friday (March 12th). PE is on Thursdays and Fridays so remember to wear your PE kit on those days.

See you all on Monday!
Have a fabulous weekend 😊



Year Three

In **English** this week, Year 3 have been creating some fantastic autobiographical writing, sharing some of their most exciting stories from their past and present as well as sharing some of their hopes for the future. We were looking a little ahead to the coming weeks and months when we're hoping to be able to do more fun things and see our friends much more. However, Mrs Hermes was very impressed to see lots of people also thinking long term with suggestions of lots of exciting careers, growing families, living in exotic places and inventing all sorts of wonderful things! It's certain that this class can dream big!

In **Maths**, we've been working on our measuring skills, not only looking at lengths and heights of objects but also at perimeters. We've been discussing the most efficient ways to calculate the perimeters of various shapes - working with number bonds to make adding lots of different lengths easier or using our terrific times tables knowledge when we've got repeated numbers!

Lots of excellent work has been going on in the afternoons too with some in-depth thinking about how to represent different parts of the Easter story, an exploration of how raw and synthetic materials are used around us, as well as lots of 'special project' work.

Mrs Hermes is really looking forward to seeing the presentations that you've prepared about your specialist subject - if you don't feel that you're ready just yet, don't worry, you can continue working on your presentation at home next week ready to share with the class next week or the week after. Do bring in your poster to display in the classroom so that we can start to get excited about what we're going to be learning in your presentation!

I'm so looking forward to seeing you all on Monday for a wonderful week of learning! It will be good to chat to your parents in advance about what you're going to do on Monday morning and how that's different to what you've been doing over the last few weeks - you might have to get up at a different time, it might be strange wearing your school uniform but you can be sure there will be lots of fun to be had once you're in school with lots of your friends! Have a restful weekend!



Learning in Year 4 at Christ Church

Friday 5th March 2021

I am so looking forward to seeing everyone's faces on Monday morning as home learners join us back in the classroom! Here is a recap of our week so far and what we have to look forward to this week:

We continued thinking about waste and recycling in English – learning about the Manila Dumps in the Philippines and creating free verse poetry about it. These poems were brilliant – it is clear everyone paid attention to the photos, videos and empathised with the people who once lived on 'Smokey Mountain'. It was also World Book Day on Thursday – Year 4 listened to Karl Nova's poem 'change' as well as sharing their own poems.

In maths, Year 4 were finding fractions of amounts. I am looking forward to revising this with you all. If you remember this method, you'll pick it up in no time: divide by the denominator, multiply by the numerator.

$\frac{3}{4}$ of 48

divide by the denominator

multiply by the numerator

divide by 4
 $48 \div 4 = 12$
 multiply by 3
 $12 \times 3 = 36$

We will start next week by celebrating Science week! The theme is 'Innovating for the Future'. You will need to bring your engineering brains as we look to solve problems and build a ball run. We will also find out how NASA'S perseverance mission is going and also think to ourselves, 'What does a Scientist look like?'

I am super excited to start our Egyptians learning as well as a new computing unit 'We are Musicians'. Mr Tolley will also be taking you for Drama on Friday afternoons. Parents, please keep an eye out for a new timetable being sent your way soon!

With Best Wishes,
Miss Kennedy



Year 5 Learning at Christ Church

Friday 5th March 2021

What a fun last week we have had. I haven't seen you much, apart from during lunch, but Mr Link has enjoyed teaching you all week. I hope you had a fun time on World Book Day and doing the Katsu Chicken session with chef Katie!

Maths - In maths this week, we went full steam ahead with fractions! We learned how to break the whole, and how to add, subtract and multiply fractions and mixed numbers with integers. We certainly felt like we had given our brains a workout after that!

English - This week we celebrated World Book Day by looking in depth at two of the special WBD books we could buy with our book token. *Little Bad Man* is about a boy called Humza with superpowers, and *Fantastic Football Facts* is a non-fiction book about famous footballers, both on and off the pitch. I hope you can all find a new book to read this week, despite bookshops still being closed.

RE - As we head towards Easter, we are beginning our studies of Holy Week. We started with Palm Sunday. We imagined we were there, waving palm leaves when Jesus entered Jerusalem, and had a lively discussion about how and why the people's attitude to Jesus changed so much in just a few days. Mr Link and I can't wait to see you all back in school again on Monday. We are counting down the hours!

Remember that you have Everything is Interesting to keep you going if you need extra homework. You also have your SPAG work to keep you going!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!



Learning at Christ Church

Friday 5th March 2021

In Maths, we have been looking at how to we can find a fraction of an amount. We used counters to find a $\frac{1}{3}$ of 18 and then applied that knowledge in order to find $\frac{2}{3}$ of 18. We looked at how we can represent each problem using a bar model before solving abstract problems. We created a revision guide for fractions which allowed us to recap the topics that we have covered. Finally, we complete an end of topic test to check our understanding so far. Next week, we will be moving onto percentages!

In English, we have been looking at Miss Houghton's favourite poet, Spike Milligan, for National Book Week. We have read some of his nonsense poems and picked out the features that we found. We re-wrote one of his poems (Ning Nang Nong) using our own ideas making sure to keep the rhyming and syllable scheme the same. We then created our own nonsense poem which we performed to small groups. We discussed the importance of emphasis, hand gestures and projecting our voice in order to make the poem come to life.

This week, the children at school and home were all involved in creating and cooking Christ Church's famous katsu sauce recipe. The smell and taste was delicious! It was also World Book Week and the children came dressed in pyjamas or a character from their favourite book. In Art, the children looked at famous illustrators and practised different styles. They will be using these to create their own designs to illustrate their nonsense poem.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!