



Christ Church School Newsletter 26th November 2021

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NEXT WEEK—VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

Monday 29th November—Friday 3rd December	All	Elf Auction Online
Wednesday 1st December, 12.30-5.30pm	Y4	Matilda the Musical, The Cambridge Theatre

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Reception Class:

Rollo and Ashar

Year 1:

Ivo and Ava

Year 2:

Yaseen and Florence

Year 3:

Ciara and Martha

Year 4:

Hooke Court

Year 5:

Nia and Ionas

Year 6:

Alba and Sophie

Dates for your Diary

Please see below for updated diary dates for December

Wednesday 8th December - **Christingle Service will be at 2.30pm on at Christ Church Church** - All parents welcome.

Thursday 9th December **Choir Singing at Peter Jones 4pm**

Friday 10th December - **Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day for children.**

Saturday 11th December - **The Christ Church Fair 1.00-3.00pm All welcome.**

Wednesday 15th December - **Christ Church Christmas Assembly 2pm Christ Church** - All parents welcome.

Friday 17th December - **End of Term at 1.30pm**



OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES

Twitter

[@cchtfederation](https://twitter.com/cchtfederation)

Federation Instagram

[@cchtfederation](https://www.instagram.com/cchtfederation)

School Kitchen Instagram

[@christchurchschoolkitchen](https://www.instagram.com/christchurchschoolkitchen)

Book fair

Thank you to all who purchased books at the book fair this week.

50% of all sales goes towards buying books for each class.

We will let you know how much was raised in next week's newsletter.



Informal Concerts

Wednesday 1st December 2.45pm SCHOOL HALL: Performers and Parents from Years 3, 5 and 6 only

Friday 3rd December 9.10am CHURCH: Performers from Years 1, 2 and 4 (All parents welcome.)

Some of our musicians will be playing in an informal concert as part of both Mr Dollard's Music Assembly and Special Mentions Assembly next week.

Parents are warmly invited to attend but please note that, in order to maintain safe social distancing, **only parents/families/friends of Years 3, 5 and 6 are invited to Wednesday's Music Assembly.** (Year 4 is on a trip that afternoon.)

Please look at the information above to see when your child may be performing.



Meet Father Christmas at The National Gallery
[Click here for tickets](#)

Join a magical adventure in a winter wonderland

Tickets

Children under 12: £22 (incl. gift)
 Adults and children 12+: £12

Dates and times

Weekends, 27 November – 12 December
 Daily, 18–23 December
 10am–6pm, Fridays until 8pm



Reverse Advent Calendars – Christmas 2021

This December we would like to do a different kind of advent calendar with the children. We are going to ask one child in each class from Y1 – Y5 to bring in an item (from the wish list below) each day from 1st December leading up to the end of term. These items will then be donated to our local charity, Glass Door for the homeless. www.glassdoor.org.uk/ Glass Door partners with churches and community centres to give shelter and support, because no one should have to sleep on the streets of London.

Christmas Wish list

- Laundry detergent (pods preferred)
- Books (English, Romanian and Polish)
- Magazines and periodicals
- Arts and crafts supplies
- DVDs
- Games
- Packs of cards
- Instant hot chocolate and coffee
- Disposable razors
- Shaving cream
- Shower gel and bar soap
- Toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Cotton buds



(YR and Y6 will be taking part in a different charitable activity for Christmas)



Thank you Natalia!

One of our parents, Natalia, donned her pink lycra suit and braved the cold weather to do a fun run. Natalia raised over £2,500 pounds, money that will be put into school funds supporting the learning of all our children.

Amazing Natalia!

Reception and Year 6 Christmas Hampers



Years Reception and 6 will be contributing to Age UK Christmas hamper making activity. The hampers are for elders in London who may be lonely at Christmas - we are asking for donations of little gifts for the hamper making from Shepherd and Sheep by the **8th December.**



**THE ABSOLUTE
BEST CHRISTMAS
FAIR!**

Please come along and
bring your friends...

**Wednesday
1st December
9.30am-7pm &
Thursday
2nd December 2021
9.30am-6.30pm at
CHELSEA TOWN HALL
Kings Road SW3 5EE
FREE ENTRY**

A donation from proceeds will be made to local
school, Christ Church C of E Primary School
Chelsea.

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 would a world without words be like?

CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT PETER JONES

Christ Church & Holy Trinity choir will be singing carols at Peter Jones on **Thursday 9th December, 4.00-4.30pm.**

Do come along!

Year 4 Trip to the Natural History Museum

Wednesday 17th November

Year 4 attended a very informative and fun Oceans Workshop at the Natural History Museum last week, learning about some of the marine mammals and fish that live in our oceans.



**Children in Need Fundraiser
Friday 19th November**



There was some very impressive moves last Friday as the children really got their 'Strictly' on! We raised £286 for Children in Need. Thank you so much to all who so generously donated to our charity fundraising event. The children had a fabulous time at the disco!



Y5 Raising Funds for Children in Need

- Children from Year 5 organized their own fundraiser for Children in Need, doing laps of the school playground for an hour!
- The money raised will be added to the final Children in Need total. Thank you to all who donated to their charity run!



Message from school governor Vicki Lant on behalf of the Kensington & Chelsea Foodbank

Hello everyone

Advent is upon us and we are already thinking about stocking up the December larder for the Kensington and Chelsea Foodbank (K&CFB). The Church Times this week has identified that use of Foodbanks has already exceeded pre-Brexit and pandemic levels. As all the reductions in credit support and rises in fuel and other family essentials bite, our contributions to K&CFB are an essential lifeline to increasing numbers of people in our community.

Susannah the manager is asking for the same larder staples as we requested from you in November:

Long life Milk

Long life fruit Juice

Tinned meats

Tinned fish

Dried rice

Tinned fruit

Coffee

Honey

Chocolate spread/Peanut butter

Cooking oil

Rice pudding

Custard

Washing up liquid, washing powder, shower gel, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste.

Any warm clothes that are in good condition and freshly laundered, would be welcome in separate bags.

But as it's Christmas, might you also add some small gifts for children (leave unwrapped), maybe Christmas stockings and for families, tins of chocolates, biscuits or well protected cake? Please don't send mince pies that crush easily or other food/cakes in flimsy boxes that may spoil (even if they have a long sell-by date).

You can bring your gifts into Holy Trinity from Thursday 2nd December from 10.00 – 17.00 and on Sunday 5th around the 11.00 Eucharist Service. Thank you so much for your generous help as always.





Christ Church & Holy Trinity Christmas Shop

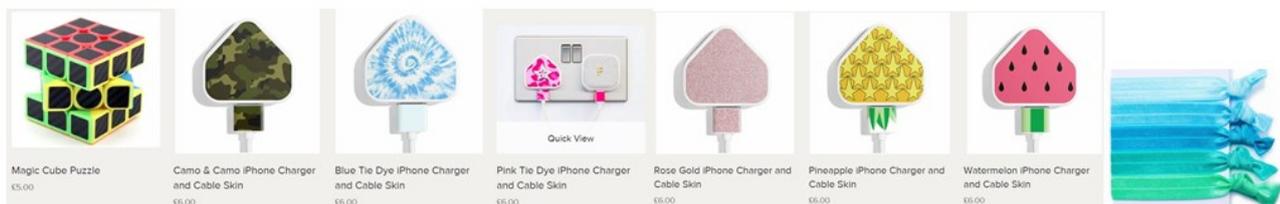


The doors to our C&HT Narnia have opened and the twinkly lights and festive feeling of our Christmas Shop is very present. Featuring gifts, candles, plants & bulbs, Christmas cards and much more, you can delve in to a magical world of all things Christmas with this one-stop-shop and source for all things festive. Start your Christmas shopping early and support our schools in doing so as all profits go to our Federation and the education of our children.

We have a selection of warm Winter and Christmas scented candles as well as brightly coloured and ivory dining candles and advent candles. For the first time we are offering large Winter Thyme gold-dipped scented church candles ideal for a hurricane lamp by the fireplace or on the mantelpiece. These can all be paired with our Christmas boxes of long matches.



Smaller gifts and stocking fillers include sparkly, fruit salad, tie-dye and even camo charger stickers – so no one will ever steal your charger at work or at home again! We have school uniform coloured hair ties as well as neon colours, pinks, blues, turquoise and hair ties in Christmas coloured velvets.



Last year's favourites such as the C&HT cookbook and our Holy Trinity and Christ Church tea towels with all the pupils self-portraits are available alongside the ever-popular magic cubes and some beautifully designed Christmas Cards by our Year 6 pupils at Holy Trinity.



All orders will be available to collect from either Christ Church or Holy Trinity from **8th December**. Please specify if you would like your order to go to CC or HT in the 'notes' section of your order. Please note that all plant & bulb orders will only be available to collect from **Christ Church on 6th December**.



The long-awaited Elf Auction starts on Monday 29th November at 7pm and ends on Friday 3rd December at 7pm.

A magnificent range of festive themed lots will be on offer to the highest bidder, including:

- A Christmas lights tour around town in a black cab for up to 6 children.
- A family trip to Winter Wonderland including roller coaster rides and treats.
- A 'Land of Sweets' afternoon tea for a family of 4 at Peggy Porsche's Chelsea Parlour.
- 3 x Tickets for Carols at the Albert Hall
- A Magnum of Red wine
- A 5Kg Christmas Ham from Provence Butchers on Pavilion Road
- Annual Family Membership to the Chelsea Physic Garden
A 3-course lunch including wine at Elgstan Street.

Please join in and get involved in what we expect to be a week of frenzied and exciting online bidding to raise funds for learning and play resources for our Reception Classes in both schools. Thank you to everyone who has donated such fabulous lots, we hope to raise up to £6,000 for our children and our future children to be able to benefit from.

Christmas Shop—Potted Plants

It will soon be time to deck the halls with all our Christmas Plant & Bulb beauties that are on our **Christmas Shop NOW!**

We have a variety of **Hyacinth bulbs, Poinsettias, Hellebores (Christmas Carol roses), Amaryllis, Cyclamen and even some mini Christmas trees in red pots** on offer. Fabulous gifts and the perfect antidote (and also more environmentally conscious) to a large stand-alone tree.

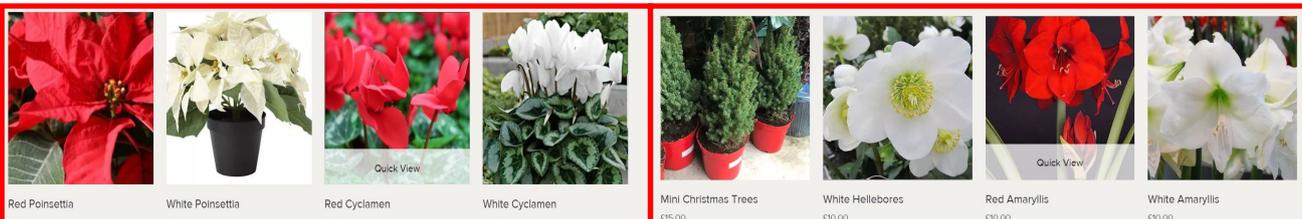
This collection can be found on our online Christmas Shop

<https://www.cchtshop.com/potted-plants>

with all profits going towards our Federation fund for our children's education, well-being, school resources and enrichment.

Please shop 'til you drop and browse our festive website which is bursting with all sorts of bright and illuminating Christmas gift ideas.

The gift of giving is here and all Plant & Bulb orders need to be in by Friday 3rd December for collection from Christ Church only on Monday 6th December.



Christ Church St Nicholas Fair

Christ Church St. Nicholas Fair is fast approaching – **Saturday 11th December 1pm – 3.30pm**
There will be a whole host of wonderful and jam packed Christmas games and festive fun for families throughout the afternoon. Come and meet Father Christmas in his Grotto, enjoy a Horse & Cart ride. There will be a sizzling hot dog stand, mulled wine, hot chocolate, the Christ Church Band playing, chocolate tombola, bottle tombola, face painting, homemade cake & bake stall offering homemade goodies and treats as Christmas gifts and the Church Christmas Raffle draw with fabulous prizes to be won.



Thank you to all our Parent Coordinators who have been busy behind the scenes rallying volunteers for the day and also to help set up and clear away after the event. We rely on our parents for the smooth running of this event and we know how much work is involved so thank you all very much.

A little reminder as to what stall each year group is in charge of and what there is to do:

YR & Y1 – the Chocolate Tombola

- Organised by your parent coordinators, we will need to collect a lot of **Christmas Chocolate** please, for example advent calendars, giant Father Christmas's or Snowmen, chocolate reindeer, bags of chocolate coins or chocolate Brussel sprouts, or even tins of Quality Streets. The choice is yours as long as it is chocolate and it is Christmas Chocolate. Please remember the amount of chocolate will need to be monitored before the event to make sure we have enough!
 - Please arrange for volunteers to come and stick on raffle tickets to the chocolate closer to the event. Parent Coordinators will kindly arrange this.
- Volunteers are also required to man the stall and be in charge of collecting money on the day. We will provide you with a float.

Y2 – Hot chocolate, Tea & Coffee Stall

- We will require several volunteers on the day to help man the stand, serve tea, coffee and hot chocolate with all the trimmings, replenish and collect and be in charge of money.
- Please could parent coordinators arrange for at least 4 volunteers per time slot.

Y3&4 - the Bottle Tombola

- Organised by your parent coordinators, we will need to collect a lot of **Bottles** please, for example champagne, wine, beer, spirits (but definitely not exclusively). We will also welcome all sorts of cordial, juice, shampoo, shower gel, bubble bath, body lotion....even fairy liquid or hand sanitizer. As long as it is a full, unopened bottle it will be accepted into the tombola. Parent coordinators of these year groups please tell your year groups how and where you would like to collect the bottles – please remember the amount of bottles will need to be monitored before the event to make sure we have enough!
 - Please could parent coordinators arrange for volunteers to come and stick on raffle tickets to the bottles closer to the event.
- Volunteers are also required to man the stall and be in charge of collecting money on the day. We will provide you with a float.

Y5&6 – the Homemade Cake Stall

- Coordinated by your parent coordinators, we will need a selection of homemade bakes or Christmas creations for this stall but also to be presented in a way that could be a lovely gift. We would love homemade donations of Christmas Cakes or Christmas puddings, boxes of homemade mince pies, cupcakes or brownies, jars of spiced nuts or granola, even jams, jellies, chutneys or pesto. Homemade boxes of fudge, truffles or even jars of old fashioned sweets or shortbreads. Infused oils, cheese biscuits, jars of olives or cheese straws – all of the above!
 - Please could items be dropped off either on Friday 10th December or before the start of the fair.
- Please could parent coordinators arrange for volunteers to man the stall.

A Child's ticket pass for all the Christmas Games will be available to buy on Pay + from next week.

If you are unable to make the Fair but would like to make a donation for the chocolate or bottle tombola, homemade cake stall or make a donation for prizes for the children then please contact Katie Rose krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk. Thank you very much and we look forward to seeing you all there.

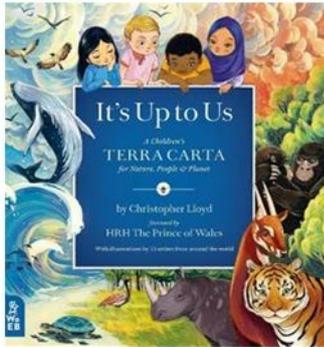




Recommended Read



It's Up To Us: A Children's Terra Carta for Nature, People and Planet (ages 6-8 & up)



Author: Christopher Lloyd with a foreword by HRH The Prince of Wales

Illustrator: various

Publisher: What on Earth Books in partnership with The Prince's Foundation

Based on HRH The Prince of Wales and his Sustainable Markets Initiative Terra Carta, a road map for organisations and businesses to put Nature, People and Planet at the centre of everything they do, *It's Up To Us* highlights the things that those organisations need to do to slow down climate change and create a better future for everyone.

Explaining how we find ourselves in the situation we are now, the book presents understandable principles for change: investing in renewable energy sources, protecting coral reefs, forests, savannas and wetlands, listening to the wisdom of indigenous communities, working with scientists to find smart solutions, and demanding that the leaders of our countries and businesses put nature first. The original text for the introduction to the Terra Carta is reproduced at the end of the book, as is a useful glossary of terms as some of the language in the Terra Carta itself is rather grown up.

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS!



Weekly Headlines



Most Accurate	Fastest	Most Active	Rank Amongst Local schools
Year 3 JD 95.64 %	Year 3 JD (1.35 sec/q)	Year 3 JD 92%	18/30

Individual Class Leaderboards

Holy Trinity

Year 2 _{ZP}	Year 3 _{JD}	Year 4 _{EA}	Year 5 _{CH}	Year 6 _{TM}
Adam	Laura	Astar	Megan	Samantha

Christ Church

Year 2 _{MK}	Year 3 _{EH}	Year 4 _{NK}	Year 5 _{MB}	Year 6 _{EH}
Alex	James	Zack	Inigo	Clara



Weekly Headlines



Holy Trinity

Year 1 _{MQ}	Year 2 _{ZP}	Year 3 _{JD}	Year 4 _{EA}	Year 5 _{CH}	Year 6 _{TM}
Julian	Leena	Laura		Tilly	

Christ Church

Year 1 _{OD}	Year 2 _{MK}	Year 3 _{EH}	Year 4 _{NK}	Year 5 _{MB}	Year 6 _{EH}
Rowan	Charlie	Phoebe	Altay	Adam	Bede



Friday 26th November

Reception Class Newsletter

This week we:

- Learnt how to read and write the sounds /ll/ (still), /ss/ (mess) and /j/ in our Alphabet Code lessons. The /ll/ and /ss/ codes usually can be found at the **end** of words.
- Read The Jolly Christmas Postman in our English lessons. We wrote a description of Father Christmas and labelled a grotto. We wrote Christmas lists of gifts that we would like to receive. We also practised sentence writing.
- Focused on repeating patterns in Maths for Times Tables Week. We corrected errors in patterns and completed given patterns. We also created our own patterns using different combinations of letters, numbers, shapes and colours.
- Finished off our Museums of Me in our Art lesson. We added our family pictures and drew our favourite foods. We had an extra Art lesson and completed a colour wheel by mixing primary colours together.
- Threw a baby shower for Mary in our R.E. lesson. We thought about what gifts we would bring to help her prepare for the birth of baby Jesus.
- Were introduced to the alien, Zarg. He had become separated from his friends during a space mission and found his way to Earth. We noticed that he was looking unwell and tired. His pockets were full of sweet wrappers! He needed our advice on which Earth foods are healthy and would give him lots of energy. We made him a healthy lunchbox to help him make better choices.
- Created cards with our shepherds for Age UK. They will be sent as part of a hamper to people who may feel lonely over the Christmas holiday.

Next week we will:

- Learn how to read and write the sounds /v/, /w/ and /x/.
- Explore 3D shapes.

Have a lovely weekend 😊



Learning at Christ Church in Year 1

Friday 26th November 2021

In English, we described the setting of a forest using expanded noun phrases. We wrote about the 'bright, yellow stars', the 'dark, blue sky' and the sound of 'sweet, chatty birds'. We then made bird nests out of tissue paper, felt, card and straw. Year One's bird nests look exceptionally safe and cosy- perfect for their wool owl babies!

In Maths, we have moved on to adding numbers within 20. We have started by using the strategy of 'making ten first' and then counting on from ten to work out the total. We used cubes to build a cube train of ten before adding on some more cubes.

For Alphabet Code this week we have been looking at the /u/ code and writing sentences using this code. Next week, we will start the /air/ code.

In Science, we have been thinking about different light sources and deciding which ones are 'brightest' and 'less bright'. We also observed a candle flame and recorded our observations. In computing we have practised logging into programs and dragging different items using the mouse.

Next week, we will continue adding numbers within 20. In English, we will be retelling the story of 'Owl Babies' using time conjunctions.

A fantastic week in Year 1!
Have a wonderful weekend!



Learning at Christ Church in Year 2

Friday, 26th of November 2021

Year 2 have had another great week of learning and should be very proud of their efforts.

As part of Times Tables Week, we learnt about the concept of multiplication. We looked at it being repeated addition then moved into applying it to equal groups. We wrote multiplication stories for different groups of objects before creating arrays for different multiplication sentences. Keep practising your times tables on TTRS and your number bonds on Numbots. The log-ins should be in green home learning books. Let me know as soon as you think you've achieved your target.

In English we started our new unit called *Something Fishy*. We did an amazing job of completing story maps for the story then came up with some excellent expanded noun phrases to describe different parts of the story. We also did a bit of reading comprehension practice and Miss Kelly was super impressed with how much progress we've made in our reading this term. Well done on all the hard work you have been doing at home and continue to keep reading every day!

In Science we designed our material monsters, thinking about suitable materials for our monster according to their properties. Please make sure you begin collecting the different objects needed in preparation for creating them soon.

In RE we started our new Christmas unit. We thought about different sources of light and how light makes us feel. We then learnt that Christians call Jesus 'the light of the world' because He can help to show Christians the way and make them feel safe.

Fantastic work, Year 2.
Have a lovely weekend! 😊



Learning at Christ Church in Year 3

Friday 26th November 2021

This week in Maths, we've been going Times Tables mad with tons of practising, pattern spotting and thinking about strategies for using what we already know to help us fill in the gaps of what we don't know yet! Ask you child about: the special relationship between the 3s and 6s, the 4s and 8s or the 5s and 10s! Then ask them how they would use their times tables knowledge to approach a question like $8 \times 23 =$

In English, we've been writing non-chronological reports about animals. Instead of having 30 reports about hamsters and cats, Year 3 have shown the full extent of their imagination with hybrid animals being invented for them to write about - featuring a snow leagle (snow leopard/eagle), a butterphant (butterfly/elephant) and a shark-horse amongst many others. We've used many important features to make sure that our writing sounds expert, with technical language, expert sentence starters, synonyms and statistics all packed in!

Elsewhere, we've enjoyed looking at the major events of the space race, reviewing our knowledge of the Stone Age and getting to know John the Baptist and how he helped people prepare for Jesus coming.

We also had a fabulous time in our Art lesson this week, creating artworks inspired by Andy Goldsworthy's work with natural materials. Year 3 were very imaginative in their use of the materials available to them and their creation of organically inspired shapes.



Have a wonderful weekend!



*Y4 on a residential trip to Hooke Court,
Dorset.*



Learning at Christ Church

Friday, 26th November 2021

This Friday, we are celebrating another learning filled week at Christ Church!

In English, we learned how to weave the first and third person to create a narrative about the Lighthouse. We talked about how using the first person is more appropriate when writing about the inner thoughts and emotions of the lighthouse keeper. On the other hand, we use third person to describe settings.

In Maths, we started a new unit on fractions. We learned what mixed numbers and improper fractions are.

In History, we learned about our local area, Chelsea and how it changed from the Victorian times.

In Science, we carried out an independent experiment and tested out how the size of a parachute and the air resistance it offers affects the speed of falling objects.

In Art, we started creating the background of our shadow boxes with the materials brought back from home.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend!



Learning at Christ Church

Friday 26th November 2021

This week in Maths, we have been looking at missing number problems. We have looked at addition questions such as $54 + ? = 65$ and also subtraction questions such as $? - 74 = 21$. We created our own bar models to help solve them and looked at how the inverse can also be used. We spent a lesson problem solving using equations made of shapes and using substitution to find the value of the unknown. Finally, we did an assessment of our learning so far to make sure that we are ready to move onto the next topic.

In English, we listened to an interview of a woman who was evacuated in the war. We took notes about her experiences in chronological order and made inferences about how she would be feeling at each point. We learnt a few more interesting sentence types such as *rule of three* (exhausted, emotionless, lonely) to convey our emotions and *Description : Detail sentences* (The house was large: it had a vast garden and ten rooms). Finally, we created a plan for the letter that we will be writing next week which includes a variety of writing techniques.

In History, we have been learning about Rationing and which foods were scarce and which were more plentiful during WW2. In Science, we have been doing an experiment investigating what effect exercise has on your heart rate. We have been plotting our results on graph paper to make a bar chart. We visited our Sheep in Reception class and have been making Christmas cards with them to send to elderly people. In Drama, we have been practising performing a dialogue with a partner from the Shakespeare play, Julius Caesar.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!