



Christ Church School Newsletter 25th February 2022

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NEXT WEEK & AFTER HALF TERM—VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

Monday 28th February	All	Individual Parent Meetings start
Monday 28th February	Y3	Trip to the Look Out at Hyde Park
Wednesday 2nd March	All	Ash Wednesday Service, 2.30pm, Christ Church
Wednesday 2nd March	Y3 & Y4	<i>Stringtastic Stomp</i> Concert at Royal College of Music 11.45am—2pm
Thursday 3rd March	All	World Book Day (See details attached)
Thursday 3rd March—Thursday 10th March	All	Book Fair

SECONDARY TRANSFER MEETINGS

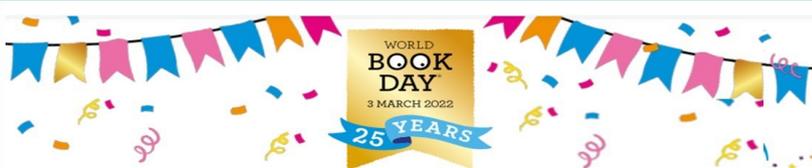
***Tuesday 8th March—9-10am
In the Computer Suite***

Dates for your Diary

March	Monday 28th February—Friday 11th March – Individual Parent Meetings
	Monday 7th March—Friday 11th March – Religions of the World Week
	Tuesday 8th March – Secondary Transfer Meeting, 9.10am in the Computer Suite
	Monday 14th March—Friday 18th March —Sports Week
	Friday 18th March - Sports Relief
	Wednesday 23rd March —Spring Concert Part I at 2.45pm
	Friday 25th March —Spring Concert Part II at 9.10am
Wednesday 30th March —Easter Assembly	
Thursday 31st March —Promises Auction at Holy Trinity	

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Reception Class:
Win and Henry
Year 1:
Rupert and Natalie
Year 2:
Rose and Charlie
Year 3:
Phoebe and Ciara
Year 4:
Henry and Elmer
Year 5:
Ottilie and George
Year 6:
Whole Class



On Thursday 3rd March we will be celebrating World Book Day through a variety of activities.

The children can come to school dressed in their pyjamas with a copy of their favourite bedtime story or if you are feeling adventurous, they can come dressed as their favourite book character.

The Christ Church book fair starts on Friday 4th March. Here the children will be able to use their £1 book tokens that they will receive on World Book Day.

Book Fair will continue on Monday 7th -Thursday 10th March before and after school, other than Thursday 10th, when it will only take place before school.



End of Term Attendance Figures

On Friday 11th February we had 27 children absent from school and another 9 who left early and 12 children who did not return at the start of term.

We know that there were children who were unwell, but these figures were quite alarming.

Holiday absences are not authorised and seriously disrupt the learning for the children.

We have seven outstanding class teachers who are here to teach and are focused on your children's learning – sadly this isn't possible if they are not here.

We urge you to take advantage of every minute of the school year.

Promises Auction At Holy Trinity



SAVE THE DATE
31st March 2022 at 7pm

Coffee Machine Wanted!

We are looking to purchase or rent a barista-style Coffee Machine for a

Fundraising initiative. If you

have any advice or connections with the coffee industry and might be able to help us on our decision please do get in contact with us on krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk



By popular request, we are offering 'Coffee Mornings' to each year group in the school garden/outdoor classroom area after Special Mentions assembly each week as a chance for parents to get together. The dates reflect when each year group will be showcasing their learning in Special Mentions Assembly.



10th March Y6

**Year R had their
coffee morning
today!**



KIDS HELP KIDS

**Four siblings on a life long mission
to make a difference**

Kaeden in Year 6 at Holy Trinity is already a budding entrepreneur! He and his three older sisters have set up an app —Kids Help Kids—designed as a sustainable market place to sell on kids toys, clothes, gadgets. And the best thing about it is that with the sale of these products, Kaeden and his sisters gives 60% of the total raised to the donor, 25% to Kids Against Hunger charity and 15% to CCHT.

ULTIMATE ACTIVITY CAMPS

OVER
40
ACTIVITIES

Outstanding activity camps for 4-14 year olds this
Easter & Summer at Fulham Boys School, Fulham

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OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES

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Federation Instagram

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

School Kitchen Instagram

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

SHOP PRELOVED!

If you would buy some eco friendly presents or declutter your wardrobes please contact our parent Polina Volkova (polinacure@icloud.com). Polina specialises in reselling preloved designer and vintage clothing, jewellery and accessories as well as some high street brands. Just scan this QR code for the Instagram account.

5% of the profits will be donated to Christ Church.



FASHION_DIVAS2011

Year 4 chair building workshop with visiting artist, Darcy Turner.

Tuesday 8th February 2022



'I liked being creative. We had to design, make and roll.' **Rasmus** (4NK)

'I would name my chair the 'Living Room chair' because it's really comfy. It was challenging because it took a really long time to put on the back of the chair.' **Isla** (4NK)



'Today was fun! I really enjoyed making the chairs and designing. Our chair is called 'Angel Chair'. I worked with Leah, Leia, Molly and Elycia.' **Maia** (4NK)

'I enjoyed rolling the paper, putting it into the machine and squishing it. I worked with different people and I thought we were a really good team.' **Elycia** (4NK)



'I enjoyed making the chairs because it was a good way of recycling. They started off as a stack of newspaper and were turned into chairs that you could sit on. I liked how we could decide what our chair could look like.' **Maggie** (4NK)

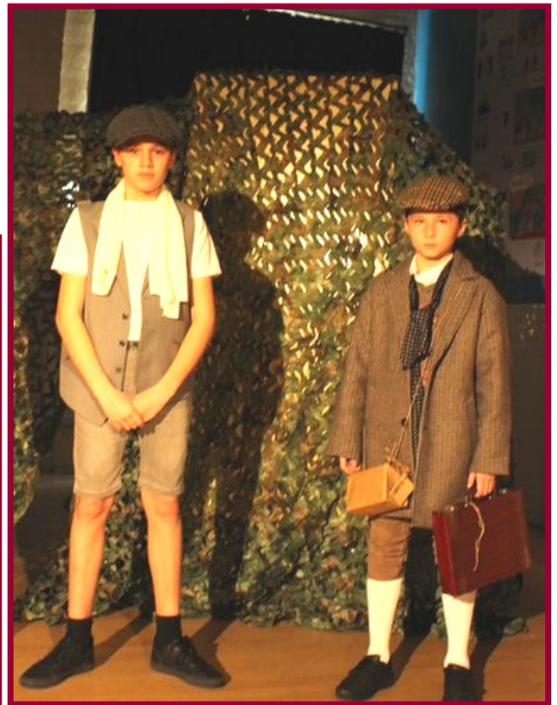
Carnaval

A week of face paint, mask making, maraca making, crazy hair and dressing up as our parents! All under the orders of Her Royal Highness, the Carnaval Queen



Year 6—Immersive Theatre

Year 6 hosted a number of Immersive Theatre shows for parents and staff this week. Guests were guided around a number of moving scenes set during World War 2. There were war time speeches retold. Evacuee letters shared and



battles described. Moving reenactions of soldiers at war were shared and the eerie sounds of bomb alerts filled the audience's ears. A moving experience for all that attended.



"An Immersive Theatre project where Year 6 take you into the hearts and minds of children who experienced the Blitz in London during WW 2. Using spoken word, they reveal the moments of reality and what they experienced...through their eyes." Mr Rowan Tolley

Message from Christ Church Grandparent:

Nikolai Tolstoy—Talk about the Russian and Ukraine Conflict

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/269633118917>

N. Tolstoy speaking at the RGS / TUE 22 March / about Russia and the Ukraine Conflict

Nikolai is my historian half brother and a great speaker. Do come if you interested ...

Alexandra Tolstoy is his eldest daughter - she has organised this talk so we could all be more informed as to the background of the current situation.

Tickets only £20 pp and any proceeds after expenses will go to St. Gregory's Foundation

(uk reg.charity no. 1002469 / www.stgregorysfoundation.org.uk)

Tania

Tania Illingworth (nee Tolstoy)
Director St. Gregory's Foundation
Tania.Illingworth@gmail.com

Message from Mrs Kelly-

On a personal note, I would just like to thank all of you for your kind gift. I am totally overwhelmed by your generosity –such a thoughtful gift.

As you can imagine this has been a difficult time for not only myself but for my family and friends and so all the support and positivity sent my way has been a real boost!

Thank you to all the families that have sent me their good wishes, they really do help and make my day!

May I say a big thank you to all my wonderful colleagues, who keep me in contact with them through regular zoom coffee mornings, WhatsApp messages and visits. They are not just colleagues, but true friends who really go above and beyond to make me feel loved and supported.

Thank you also to Katie Rose, who (on top of her own work) has had to fill in for me when I have been unable to do the newsletter for you. You have done a wonderful job Katie!

I am so blessed to work with such a wonderful community of parents, children and friends. Thank you so much! Judith xxx



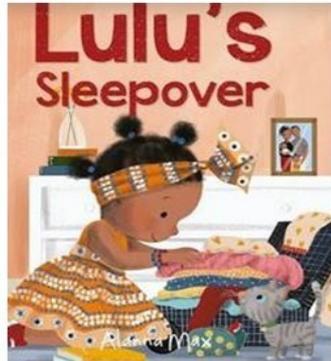


Recommended Read



Lulu's Sleepover (ages 4-5 & up)

Author: Anna McQuinn Illustrator: Rosalind Beardshaw Publisher: Alanna Max



Lulu is getting ready for her first ever sleepover. She's going to be spending the night at her cousin Hani's house, but first she needs to pack. Pyjamas, spare clothes, books and her favourite soft toys all go in the suitcase. She's ready! At Hani's house the cousins build, paint, play, dress up and even watch a film before bedtime. When it's time for bed they snuggle up for stories before they fall asleep. In the morning, after trying a new breakfast dish, Daddy returns to collect Lulu with a big hug. Lulu has absolutely loved her first sleepover and can't wait for when it's Hani's turn to stay at her house.

Spending the night away from home may be a little daunting for some children. Full of warmth and family love, the story focuses on the fun activities and joyful new experiences of a sleepover, making it perfect for a little one gearing up for their first sleepover with a relative or friend.

The story is told in simple language, making this a great read for toddlers and also for emerging readers to start working through. Beardshaw's beautifully detailed artwork helps to lift the story while conveying all the wonder and joy of Lulu's new experiences.

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS!



Weekly Headlines



Most Accurate	Fastest	Most Active	Rank Amongst Local schools
Year 1 MQ 100%	Year 2 ZP (3.45 sec/q)	Year 2 MK 30 %	20/30

Individual Class Leaderboards

Holy Trinity

Year 1 MQ	Year 2 ZP	Year 3 JD	Year 4 EA	Year 5 CH	Year 6 TM
Ivy	Leena	Elena	Romeo	Maria	

Christ Church

Year 1 OD	Year 2 MK	Year 3 EH	Year 4 NK	Year 5 MB	Year 6 EH
Amana	Yaseen			Inigo	



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Christ Church

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Rowan	Theo				



Friday 25th February

Reception Class Newsletter

This week we:

- Revisited the sounds the sounds /qu/ (queen), /th/ (thorn) and /ng/ (ring).
- Began our unit focused on subtraction in Maths. We used cubes to take away a **part** from the **whole number**. The **second part** was that which was left over. We also subtracted by crossing out pictures.
- Read our new class text, Handa's Surprise. We wrote a recipe for a fruit smoothie by listing the ingredients that we would need. We wrote adjectives to describe the fruit. We also re-told the main events of the story in our own words.
- Read Pezzettino in our Art lesson. Pezzettino lives in a world in which everyone is big and does daring and wonderful things. He realises that although he is small and modest, he is perfect just the way he is. We created imaginary creatures using small squares and described their qualities.
- Read the story of Palm Sunday. We learnt that Christians believe Jesus is a special king and we thought about how we treat people who are special. We drew palm leaves and recorded the things that we would say to Jesus if he came into our school.
- Began our Understanding the World unit, Toys from the Past. We read The Toymaker by Martin Waddell and learnt how toys used to be made. We thought about the differences between old-fashioned toys and modern day toys.
- Loved taking part in Carnival Week. Thank you for being such great sports and for following the Queen's rules!

Next week, we will:

- Recap the sounds /ch/ (church), /sh/ (shirt) and /zz/ (buzz).
- Continue to explore subtraction in Maths.
- With the help of the gardeners, we will learn about the plants growing in the school garden.

Have a great weekend 😊



Learning at Christ Church in Year 1

Friday 25th February 2022

In English, we have continued looking at 'Dog don't do ballet' we looked at the prefix un- and thought about how we add un- to a root word. We then thought about different words that could be used to describe Biff's feelings and emotions in the book.

In Maths, we looked at addition within 20. We practiced adding two numbers together using the counting on strategy using a number line. We always start with the biggest number and then we leap forward x number of jumps. Then we circle the second number. That is the total/how many there is altogether.

In Alphabet Code, we have been learning the /n/ code. Next week we will be looking at the // code.

In History, we started our new topic of - How food has changed over time? We looked at different cooking appliances and compared them to cooking appliances they used when Guy Fawkes was around. We then discussed how much they have changed and why they might have changed so much.

In Science, we reflected on all we have learnt over the last six weeks whilst learning about the polar regions and different polar explorers! Next week we will begin our new topic of 'Treasure Island'. Where we will be learning desert islands and the different plants and animals that live on these islands.

Forest School Dates: 24th February, 3rd March, 10th March, 17th March, 24th March and 31st March.

I look forward to speaking with you all about the parents' meetings via SchoolCloud on Tuesday 1st March and Tuesday 8th March!

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



Learning at Christ Church in Year 2

Friday, 25th of February 2022

We have had a very busy first week back at school, with the Carnival Queen making a lot of demands. From face paint, crazy hair to wearing grown up clothes - it has been a very fun and wacky week! It all culminated with a fiesta where we showed off the masks, maracas and crowns we had been creating throughout the week. What a celebration! Hopefully the Queen will return next year for more fun.

In Maths we have been adding numbers to 100, with and without regrouping. We have almost reached expert level with this and will be applying our skills to word problems next week.

In English we started our new unit called Tales From Other Cultures which is centred on a clip titled Zahra (<https://vimeo.com/23455377>). We discussed the features of a narrative then worked in groups to plot the opening, build-up, climax/problem, resolution and ending of the story on a story mountain. We then came up with some fantastic expanded noun phrases to describe the setting and the characters in the story.

In Geography we began our new unit about where different animals live. We revised the seven continents of the world then labelled our world map. After this we travelled to Antarctica where we learnt about one of the inhabitants of the coldest, windiest continent - the emperor penguin.

In Science we read an information text which looked at the basic needs of all animals, including humans. We then picked out interesting information from the text about different animals' specific needs and recorded it in a table.

Looking forward to chatting with parents via School Cloud on March 2nd and 9th.

Have a lovely weekend! 😊



Learning at Christ Church in Year 3

Friday 25th February 2022

This week has been packed full of carnival fun! We have been loving seeing all of Year three in their face paint, with crazy hair dos (some of which survived the swimming pool!) and in their grown-ups clothes. We've also been making lots of carnival crafts including maracas, hats and masks - all used to go wild at our carnival disco on Friday! All the carnival fun comes from a tradition of using up lots of good things before the beginning of lent, a time of contemplation before Easter. This is a good point to think ahead with your child about what Lent means as we'll be discussing this in class next week.

In English, we've been starting to explore a story called 'The Black Hat' by Maia Walczak. We've been using it as a prompt to improve our descriptive skills - thinking about how we choose the most relevant adjectives according to what impact we want them to have on the reader. We've been describing the curious, unkempt boy at the centre of the story and the eerie, foreboding forest that he explores. Next week, we'll be delving into the action of the story to discover what will happen when the eponymous Black Hat appears!

In Maths, we've been recapping our money skills - looking at identifying the value of coins and notes and comparing different amounts. It has been helpful to think about how we can make amounts in different ways and why this might be, for example why we might use a £5 note instead of 5000 one penny coins!

A highlight of the week was our science lesson, looking at how the muscles in the body contract and relax to help us move. We made some terrific models of human hands to demonstrate how this works. Once we had the bones (straws) in place, we added muscles (string) which could be contracted (pulled) to make the fingers bend!



Things to look forward to this half term	
28 th February	Trip to Hyde Park
7 th - 11 th March	Mosaic making week
18 th March (amended date)	Trip to Westminster Cathedral
Date TBC	Trip to V&A museum



Learning in Year 4 at Christ Church

Friday 25th February 2022

This week, Year 4 kept busy by writing their own backstory of the Firework Maker's Daughter. They wrote a missing chapter, which helped to explain why Razvani became the fire fiend. They all worked towards their writing targets and I look forward to reading them all next week.

In maths, Year 4 identified tenths and hundredths and used their division of 10 and 100 to help them with this. On Friday, they represented different amounts by thinking about fraction and decimal equivalents, as well as where they would place part of a number on a number-line. They also spent time practising their times tables, as the 2022 multiplication tables check is coming up at the end of the year. For more information, please take a read of this document which was emailed home at the beginning of term.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1031901/2022_Information_for_parents_Multiplication_tables_check.pdf

Year 4 enjoyed celebrating Spanish Carnival this week! They were very creative and made an assortment of fun things to wear and use at the party on Friday, like party hats, maracas and Carnival masks.

Year 4 visited the Science Museum on Wednesday to kick-start their new science topic 'States of Matter'. They worked in teams to go on a 'materials' hunt, and back at school, had to compare and group the different materials, according to whether they were solids, liquids or gases. Next week, we've been invited to the Royal Albert Hall to attend a special concert by the Royal College of Music and the following week have 2 very exciting trips to Southwark Cathedral and The British Museum. All systems go!

Please see the newsletter to learn more about our chairs workshop with Darcy Turner. We look forward to sharing these with you in Special Mentions assembly on the 4th March.

Best wishes,

Miss Kennedy



Learning at Christ Church

Friday, 25th February 2022

Another learning filled week at Christ Church has come to an end! This week, Y5 has been very invested in Carnival Week, and children have come to school wearing beautiful face paintings and colourful hairstyles! They made carnival masks, maracas and hats!

In Maths, we are learning about decimal numbers. Children are learning about different ways to represent tenths and hundredths using place value and number lines. Children are also learning how to convert decimal numbers into fractions.

In English, we are starting a new unit based on the book *Wonder*. Children analysed and wrote a character description about one of the four main characters: Julian, August, Charlotte and Jack. Children also learned about formal and informal writing in preparation for their writing task next week (they will be writing a diary entry).

In Geography, we learned about erosion. Children conducted an experiment about erosion in the playground. They created a mountainous landscape with soil and used water to observe how erosion affected their landscape.

In PSHE, we learned what to do in case of an emergency, who to call and what information to give first aiders.

In Art, we started planning our final artwork on the topic of textiles and batik. Children chose a mythical creature for their final design, their colour scheme and thought about the composition of their piece of art.

We hope you have a good weekend!



Learning at Christ Church

Friday 25th February 2022

This week in Maths, we have been recapping and extending our learning on fractions. We have learnt how to multiply fractions by integers and multiply mixed numbers by fractions. We also reviewed some of our previous learning on adding, subtracting, simplifying and manipulating fractions.

In English, we have begun to plan our balanced argument that we will be writing next week. We started by debating the topic of whether graffiti is Art or Vandalism in groups to remind ourselves of the points 'for' and 'against' graffiti. Then we began to plan our balanced argument making sure to use Point Evidence Explain to expand on all of our points. We then began to edit and improve our plans to include connectives, sentence starts, semi-colons, rhetorical questions and topic language. Finally, we drafted our opening introduction for our argument having magpied ideas from exemplar introductions.

Year 6 did a fantastic World War 2 Drama Performance to the parents this week. Having rehearsed for weeks, the children immersed the parents in an interactive display of acting based on the events of WW2. Dressed as children, who had been evacuated, they blew the audience away with the powerful and dramatic portrayal of that era.

On Friday, we went on a trip to the Buddhist temple in Wimbledon to tie in with our RE topic on Buddhism! In Computing, we looked at how we can geotag our photos to show the location that they were taken.



I hope you all have a lovely weekend!