

# Christ Church School Newsletter 20th July 2023

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NEXT TERM —VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT				
Monday 4th September	INSET DAY	Staff Inset Day		
Tuesday 5th September	INSET DAY	Staff Inset Day		
Wednesday 6th September	BACK TO SCHOOL	All Pupils Back to School/Staggered start for YR		
Thursday 7th September	YR	Staggered start for YR		
Tuesday 12th September	YR & Y6	Teddy Bear Picnic		
Thursday 14th September	Reception Parents & Carers	Parents' Drinks in the School Garden 6.30-8pm		



# Farewell Year 6!

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Today we bid a fond farewell to our Year 6 leavers. We wish you all the best in your new schools—we will miss you very much! Please send photos of your first day in secondary school to kroseDecht.rbkc.sch.uk so we can include in our first newsletter of the next academic year.







# Class Teachers for Christ Church Primary School 2023-24

We are happy to announce the Class Teachers who will be teaching our children next year. All of our teachers are committed and passionate practitioners and are very much looking forward to a new academic year. They will be ably led by the Senior Leadership team, Mrs Hawkins, Mrs Palmer and Mrs Davies.



Mrs. Avis Hawkins
Federation Head Teacher



Mrs. Lesley Palmer Head of School



Mrs. Arabella Davies Assistant Head

# Reception Class—Miss Kate Gaskill

I have been the Reception Class teacher at Christ Church for the past five years and I am so excited to begin my sixth year this coming September. Prior to working at Christ Church, I was the nursery teacher at International School of Palermo for two years. I am extremely passionate about education in the Early Years and am particularly dedicated to promoting high standards of literacy. Reception Class is the start of a child's journey towards formal learning and every day should be a fun-filled experience. I really look forward to getting to know the new families who are joining



our school community and saying hello again to some familiar faces. Have a wonderful summer!

### Year One—Miss Olivia Dewhurst

Hello, I'm Miss Dewhurst and I am so excited to be your Year One Teacher next year. I was born and grew up in North Yorkshire. I studied for a Primary Education degree with an integrated Masters degree in Liverpool where I gained a first-class honours. During my four years in Liverpool, I taught in most of the Primary Key Stages. I enjoy travelling and have been a camp counsellor in America for a summer. In Year One we have such a variety of subjects to learn; from The Great Fire of London to travelling around the world with Barnaby Bear!



I hope you all have a lovely summer and I look forward to welcoming you in Year 1 in September. I am excited to get to know each and everyone of you in my class and can't wait to see you progress, flourish and of course have fun throughout the year.

# Year Two—Miss Nicola Kennedy

I'm really looking forward to teaching you all next year. We will spend lots of time reading together where we get to read stories like 'The Lighthouse Keeper's lunch' which I haven't read since I was your age! In September, you will also be learning about one of my favourite artists, Georgia O' Keefe. We have two exciting trips to look forward to – the farm and the beach.... So have a lovely, relaxing Summer Holiday and get ready for lots of hard work and fun in September.



# Year Three —Miss Lauren Lang

I moved to London from Brisbane, Australia at the beginning of this year. I feel so lucky to have found a school community like CCHT. This is my second year of teaching, with most of my experience being in Year 2.

Before teaching I completed an undergraduate degree in Psychology and worked in the creative industries. I'm looking forward to continuing with my Year 2 class into Year 3. We have so many wonderful learning experiences planned! I am particularly looking forward to our trips to places like the Science Museum and Westminster Cathedral.



#### Year Four—Miss Eleanor Adams

I grew up in London and studied English Literature at the University of Warwick. After graduating, I completed a 2-year qualification in acting at LAMDA. I spent a few years working in a range of SEN settings and found it extremely rewarding. This inspired me to make the move into teaching. Once I had completed my teacher training in Primary Education at UCL, I was delighted to be appointed as the Year One teacher at Christ Church. I have now been teaching at Christ Church for four years (including a year teaching at Holy Trinity) and have taught both Year One and Year Four. I am passionate about using drama to bring the curriculum to life, so get ready for some acting! Year Four is especially exciting because we go on a residential trip to Hooke Court as



part of our History topic on the Tudors! Other highlights include; learning about Earthquakes and Volcanoes in Geography, researching what life was like for the Ancient Egyptians, making paper chairs in DT and taking part in the Dance Energy Competition. Have a fantastic summer. I look forward to seeing you all in September!

# Year Five—Miss Melanie Barrin

I am French and Scottish and before moving to London, I went to university in Edinburgh where I completed a Geography degree. I taught English as a foreign language in China and Hong Kong and that is when I realized I wanted to become a teacher. Consequently, I came back to the UK to complete my teacher training. I have been working as a Year 5 teacher at Christ Church for the past 2 years and I am very excited for the year to come. The Year 5 curriculum is packed with exciting topics such as the Victorians and Greeks in History and in English, we will be learning and writing about tales from other cultures and about NASA and space. In DT, I am looking forward to making bread and the highlight of Year 5 is definitely our week long residential trip to Osmington Bay. I cannot wait to share all these amazing experience with the new Year 5s in September.



# Year Six—Mr. Nick Williamson

My name is Mr Williamson and I am the Year 6 teacher for 2023/2024. I am known for wearing bowties and having fun, and some students may already know me as "Mr Bowtie Man".

Some things about me: I am from Australia and have lived there for the majority of my life, until recently. I have been a teacher for over 6 years now and have spent the majority of that time teaching Key Stage 2. I love to travel and experience different cultures, especially unique and delicious food. I am an avid sports lover and enjoy swimming, playing football, rounders, badminton and most team sports. I am extremely excited to meet everyone and learn about everyone's holidays and the exciting things they do. I wish everyone a wonderful, safe and fun summer and I'll see you all next school year.





# Parent Coordinators for September



Reception Class: Sevda, mother of Mike and Joanna, mother of Amelie

Year One: Sophie, mother of Eden and Kimberley, mother of Ffion Year Two: Jessica, mother of Ottilie and Laura, mother of Archie Year Three: Luisa, mother of Aemilia and Philippa, mother of Emilia Year Four: Holly, mother of Florence and Olivia, mother of Rose Year Five: Ayna, mother of Aylin and Alexandra, mother of Valentina Year Six: Daniella, mother of Nia and Victoria, mother of Zack

Important Notice

#### Class meetings for September

Monday 11th September at 9.10am—Year R
Tuesday 12th September at 9.10am—Year 2
Wednesday 13th September at 9.10am—Year 1
Thursday 14th September at 9.10am—Year 3
Monday 18th September at 9.10am—Year 4
Tuesday 19th September at 9.10am—Year 5
Wednesday 20th September at 9.10am—Year 6

# Christ Church Amazon Wish List



Thank you to everyone who has purchased something for our school from our Amazon Wish List! If you would like to purchase something on our behalf, please visit:

https://amzn.eu/8EJTD8E



# CHRIST CHURCH PROMISES AUCTION

THURSDAY
9TH NOVEMBER
7PM
SCHOOL HALL

Attendance W/C 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2023					
Class	% Attendance	Unauthorised	Number of lates		
YR	100	0	1		
Y1	97	0	1		
Y2	99	0	0		
<b>Y</b> 3	98	0	4		
<b>Y4</b>	98	0	2		
<b>Y</b> 5	98	0	6		
Y6	100	0	5		

#### **Uniform Reminder**

A reminder for the beginning of the new academic year in September.

- School bags only
- Red or Blue socks—no white socks
- Red or Blue hairbands only
- School or plain navy blue coats only
- Summer uniform can only be worn up to October half term—after half term no summer dresses



Alastair Rellie Day: Celebrating Grandparents. Friday 6th October

# GRANDPARENTS DAY\*\*

Next term our CCHT community celebrate
Grandparents, their support and inspiration
alongside their cherished memories.
This tradition was the idea of Alastair Rellie,
a respected member of our community, a
long serving Governor and a very much
loved grandparent himself. This is a time to
reflect with the children about older
generations of our community and how they
support us and how in turn we support them.
Look out for further details regarding
information for the day.



## Year 6 Disco

We were very impressed with the dance moves of our Year 6 children at out Leavers' Disco last Friday. Great fun and laughter was had by all! (including the staff!)













# Graduation Services

Christ Church Graduation Services took place this week at St. Luke's church with musical performances

from every year group and celebrations of the children's achievements this year.























# National Theatre

# GREAT LINTHE WORDS OF SURVIVORS

Grenfell: in the words of survivors

a new play by Gillian Slovo

# Starring an ex Christ Church pupil and Mr Tolley's son, Keaton Guimaraes-Tolley

13 July — 26 August 2023

It was my safest place. It was home.

A powerful new verbatim play from the testimony of residents at the heart of the Grenfell Tower tragedy.

Six years on, interviews conducted with a group of survivors and bereaved reveal the impact of the multiple failures that led to a national disaster, asking: how do we stop this ever happening again?

Created from these interviews by Gillian Slovo (*Another World: Losing our Children to Islamic State*), the play is co-directed by Phyllida Lloyd (*The Donmar Shakespeare Trilogy*) and Anthony Simpson-Pike (*The P Word*).

Startling and deeply moving, it explores the courage and resilience of an ill-treated community and their continued campaign for justice.

*Grenfell: in the words of survivors* is part of a multi-year programme of National Theatre <u>creative</u> activity in North Kensington, delivered in collaboration with local community organisations.

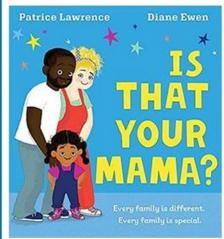
**Book Tickets** 



## Recommended Read



# Is that your mama? (ages 4-6 & up) Author: Patrice Lawrence and Diane Ewen Publisher: Scholastic



Josie loves her family. She has a mum, dad, two brothers and a sister and they all look different. At home she doesn't even think about it. But when she's out and about, often people ask, 'is that your sister?' or 'ls that your mama?' Josie starts to worry. Maybe families are supposed to all look alike? If they were all hummingbirds no one would ask if they were related.

Luckily, her family find the perfect way to show Josie that even if they look different, they all shine together. And Josie realises that although people will always ask nosy questions, she doesn't have to answer them!

This is a heartfelt celebration of the variety within families. Every family is different. Every family is special. This book will encourage conversations about difference and about empathy. And manners! Gorgeously illustrated and beautifully told

# TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS!

# Weekly Headlines



Most	Fastest	Most	Rank Amongst
Accurate		Active	Local schools
Year 6 EH	Year 4 EA	Year 4 EA	23

# Holy Trinity

Year 2 zp	Year 3 ma	Year 4 aj	Year 5 сн	Year 6 TM
Ayra	Maria	Laura		

# Christ Church

Year 2 EH	Year 3 NK	Year 4 EA	Year 5 мв	Year 6 ен
Sofia	Annabelle	Rosie		Olivia

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Holy Trinity					
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Daniel	Ivy				
Christ Church					
Year 1 ob	Year 2 EH	Year 3 NK	Year 4 EA	Year 5 мв	Year 6 EH
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MUSIC Mondays 6-10 years 16:00-17:00

16:00-17:00 DANCE Tuesdays

6-8 years 16:00-17:00 9+ years 17:00-18:00

**DRAMA**Wednesdays
6-8 years

16:00-17:00 9+ years 17:00-18:00 ZUMBA

Fridays 6-8 years 16:15-17:00 9+ years 17:00-17:45

STEELPAN

w/Mangrove Steebe Fridays 5-8 years 16:30-17:00 9+ years 17:30-19:00



GLUE is a social arts programme, utilising the arts to encourage young people to #sticktogether.

WWW.BOSSACTINGSCHOOL.CO.UK/CAMPS

To register, email us at glue@thetabernaclew11.com.

34-35 Powis Square Notting Hill W11 2AY

thetabernaclew11.com/activities









# PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023

COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL



Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

#### **TESCO**

Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023

#### SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

#### **BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

#### THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

#### TARLE TARLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

#### TRAVELODGE

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

#### HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays & up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast

#### PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

#### SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

#### INEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

#### MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 & get one free kids meal all day, every day.

#### **GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS**

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

#### PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

#### BILLS

2 kids eat FREE all day, every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023

#### **BELLA ITALIA**

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

#### WHITEREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

#### SA BRAINS PUBS

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays

#### **FUTURE INNS**

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal.
During the school holidays

#### PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

#### YO! SUSHI

From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

#### TO BE CONFIRMED ...

M&S and Farmhouse Inns

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# Reception Class Newsletter



# Thursday 20th July

# This week we:

- Wrote a recount of our wonderful trip to the Chelsea Fire Station.
- Wrote about our favourite memories in Reception.
- Made transition booklets to give to our Year One teacher. We wrote about our interests, our families and our summer plans.
- Revisited number patterns within 10 during our Maths Meetings.
- Told number stories for our friends to draw on their whiteboards. For example, I went to the beach and I had five ice creams.
- Spoke and sang so brilliantly at our very first graduation ceremony.
- Visited our Year One classroom and listened to a story with Miss Dewhurst. We also did a colouring activity with the current Year One children and asked them questions about what it will be like in September.

Thank you for such a brilliant year and for all of your support. I have loved teaching the Reception Class of 2022 and will miss them greatly. However, I cannot wait to watch them flourish in Year One.

Have a wonderful summer!



# Learning at Christ Church in Year 1

# Thursday 20th July 2023

In English, we have been looking at 'The Great Fire of London' once again. We learnt many different facts about the GFoL. We learnt what a preposition is and how it tells you where or when something is. We then looked and some sentences written about the GFoL and identified the prepositions.

In Maths, we have looking at a variety of different length objects and using the correct language to describe the differences. We have also been finishing our unit on Mass where we have been weighing different objects based upon their weight.

In RE this week, we talked about how much we have learnt this year and what our favourite memory from RE was. We really enjoyed learning about The Parable of Sower and the seed sower song.

In Geography, we rounded up our 'Around the World' topic with an insightful talk all about Canada. Where we tried some delicious Canadian snacks ad learnt some very interesting facts about Canada.

Thank you for all you hard work this year, you have all worked so hard and earnt a relaxing summer holidays. I hope you have lots of fun over summer and I look forward to seeing you in September.

Best wishes, Miss Dewhurst.

It was great to see you all at Year One's Graduation on Tuesday! Thank you again for all your help and support this year ©

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



# Learning in Year 2 at Christ Church

Congratulations to Year 2 on graduating! What an incredible year they have had. I've been so lucky to have taught them over the last term. It's been a pleasure to have seen them grow and learn each week.



This last week has been quite busy finishing off all our topics and projects. We finalised our DT technicolour coats on Tuesday. They all turned out fantastic! It took some time and patience to learn how to sew but we are all proud of our efforts. The children were very creative in their designs and each coat looks unique.

In Science we finished off our mini masterchef unit with the help of Chef Katie. We were lucky to have Katie join us to talk about knife safety in the kitchen. She showed us how to hold a knife and where to place our fingers when chopping. We even got to make guacamole with avocado, coriander and red onion. We have

learnt lots of wonderful cooking skills this term, I'm sure the students will be helping in the kitchen at home over Summer!

In Computing we finished our topic on Scratch and created an animation of two characters talking. We had to use algorithms and coding to make our characters move and talk. We also learnt how to debug and problem solve when the algorithm didn't work. The students can continue practicing their coding skills on scratch.mit.edu over the holidays.

Have a safe and happy holiday! We are so proud of all the work the year 2 students have achieved. I hope you have a lovely break and enjoy time with family and friends.

Miss Lang

Apologies, but there is no Year 3 learning brief this week due to Miss Kennedy being unwell.



# Thursday 20th July

In Maths, we have continued looking at estimating and using inverse operations to check answers to a calculation. We have revised different strategies for adding and subtracting, including; formal column method, number bond facts and number lines. In English, we have continued learning about the poem, 'The Jaberwockey' by Lewis Caroll. We rehearsed and performed the poem as a whole class. We paid attention to the features in the poem, such as; stanzas, line breaks, assonance and onomatopoeia. We then used our voices, physical mime and soundscapes to create an impactful performance.

In RE, we have looked at the difference between liturgical and non-liturgical worship in the Christian faith. We compared the two variations of Christian worship and noted that there were similarities and key differences. For example, both used music to bring the worshippers closer to God, however, we noted that non-liturgical worship doesn't always take place in a traditional church building.

In Art, we finished our watercolour paintings inspired by the surrealist artist Marc Chagall. We based our images on the theme of journeys and used vivid colours, surprising compositions and unexpected figures to create original artwork. In Guided Reading, we continued to read 'The Boy at the Back of the Class'. We learnt more about Ahmet's tumultuous history and considered how the author used language to help us empathise with the main character. We then used the dramatic technique of hotseating to explore Ahmet's backstory.

Year Four have worked so incredibly hard this year. I am very proud of them all. Thank you for all your positivity and support. Wishing you all an adventurous and joyful summer break! (3) (3)

### Good questions to ask your child this week:

- What is a stanza?
- What is different about liturgical and non-liturgical worship?
- What has been your favourite memory from your time in Year Four?
- Word of the week: imposing- having an impressive appearance or manner



# Learning in Year 5 at Christ Church

### Thursday, 20th July 2023

Another learning filled week at Christ Church has come to an end. This week has been a very special week because it was the children's final week in Year 5. Year 5 has been an amazing academic year full of learning and fun activities. The children made the most of all the opportunities offered to them. They have also made great progress in their learning this year and they are more than ready for the challenges and responsibilities of Year 6 after the summer holidays.

In English, Year 5 finished their unit based on the book Hidden Figures, which recounts the story of four women and how they helped NASA send the first man to space. Children wrote a diary entry in the role of one of these women, an official NASA report narrating Neil Armstrong's first steps on the Moon and an opinion piece on the book Hidden Figures.

In Maths, Year 5 continued learning about negative numbers. They learned how to compare and order numbers in ascending and descending order. Furthermore, Year 5 learned how to calculate the difference between a negative and a positive number. They used this skill to solve maths problems involving differences between negative and positive numbers.

In Computing, Year 5 used vector drawings to design labels for the classroom. They assembled shapes such as circles, rectangles, triangles to create drawings of stationary we use in the classroom such as scissors, calculators and glue sticks. They used some of skills they learned over the term to create their labels such as copy and paste, grouping, changing colours, layering and changing borders.

In Art, children finished drawing their own interpretation of the Ascension. Children depicted characters of the Bible such as Jesus, Mary and the disciples and represented Jesus lifting up and disappearing into the sky.

We hope you have a lovely and restful summer holiday, and we look forward to seeing you in September for another year full or learning and amazing activities!



# Thursday 20th July 2023

This week, we have been working on our graduation to make sure it is the best it can be! We have perfected our speeches and practised reading them out loud. We have also done many rehearsals of our performance with Mr Dollard. We are very excited to share this with you soon!

In Maths, we have been working on algebra. We have looked at how we can use algebraic terms, such as 'x' and 'y' in the place of values and have created our own formulas using them. We then learnt about substitution and how we can substitute in a given value for an 'x' or 'y' and find the answer to the expression. It was good to get in some last minute practise as they will do this a lot at Secondary School!

In Art, we created posters for our sale of all of our Artwork from this year to raise money for charity. The children had their final Spanish lesson with Miss Aina which was fun-filled!

We had an afternoon of fun games enjoying our final moments together. We played the hulahoop game where you have to hold hands in a circle and try and get the hulahoop around the circle without it breaking. We played Splat which is always a crowd pleaser! It was a wonderful way to finish our time here together.

On our final day, we had our shirts signed and put on an epic graduation in Christ Church for the school and our parents.

I hope you all have a lovely Summer Holiday!