



Christ Church School Newsletter 20th October 2023

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NEXT WEEK—VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

Monday 30th October	Whole School	Back to School
Tuesday 31st October	Whole School	Open Afternoon 3.30-4pm
Wednesday 1st November	Whole School	Open Morning 8.30-8.50am
Thursday 2nd November	Y2	Guided Walk in local area on Black History

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Reception Class:

Florence & Freddie

Year 1:

Whole Class

Year 2:

Noah & Mimi

Year 3:

Leopold & Emelie

Year 4:

Lexi & Louisa

Year 5:

John & Isadora

Year 6:

Molly & Jasper

Dates for your Diary

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Tuesday 7th November— Hooke Court Meeting for Y4 Parents, 9am

Tuesday 7th November—Y2 Trip to Chelsea Physic Garden

Tuesday 7th November—Individual Parents' meetings face to face, 4pm onwards

Thursday 9th November—Promises Auction, 7pm School Hall

Friday 10th November—Remembrance Assembly, School Hall 10.50am

Monday 13th—Friday 17th November—Individual Parents' Meetings

Monday 13th November—Positive Behaviour Parent Workshop

Wednesday 15th November—Senior School Coffee Morning, Cameron Vale School.

Friday 17th November—Children In Need

Saturday 18th November—Chelsea Light Switch on, Choir singing

Monday 20th—Friday 24th November—We are Different Week

Monday 20th November—Y6 Trip to the Poppy Factory

Wednesday 22nd -Friday 24th November—Y4 Hooke Court Residential

Wednesday 29th November—Nasal Flu Jab in school



Parent Governor ELECTIONS

Congratulations to Richard Steenberg and Michael Pavey who have both been elected as our new parent governors for the federation. Thank you to all the contenders whose energetic willingness to stand for election reaffirms our strong community.

Positive Behaviour Workshop Monday 13th November 9.10am

Led by Miss Kennedy, our CCHT Personal and Social Education Lead and Miss Martin, our CCHT Positive Behaviour Lead, this workshop is for parents in year groups 1 to 4. It is designed to explain The Zones of Regulation, which helps children to manage their emotions, used by our Christ Church Team. We will also explore children's emotional needs, behaviour and how to redirect them in a positive and constructive way.

By the end of the workshop you will:

- *understand regulation and how we support it*
- *gain a basic understanding of The Zones of Regulation*
- *begin to understand behaviour as a form of communication*
- *understand how different types of behaviour a child might present and how to redirect them using positive and encouraging strategies.*

If you can make it please rsvp to krrose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk to give us an idea of numbers. Many thanks.



Follow us on our social media platforms:
[@ccht_federation](https://www.instagram.com/ccht_federation)
[@ccandhtschoolkitchen](https://www.instagram.com/ccandhtschoolkitchen)



Date: Whole school	Authorised Absence %	Unauthorised Attendance %	Attendance %
9-13 th October	1.85	0	98.15

Class	% Attendance	% Unauthorised	Number of lates
YR	99	0	4
Y1	96	0	0
Y2	97	0	2
Y3	98	0	0
Y4	100	0	3
Y5	97	0	1
Y6	99	0	5

HOOKE COURT MEETING

FOR Y4 PARENTS ON TUESDAY 7th NOVEMBER AT 9AM



INDIVIDUAL PARENT MEETINGS

Tuesday 7th November

for after school face to face appointments for all year groups.

Monday 13th - Friday 17th November

for face to face appointments during the school day.

Bookings will be made online via School Cloud for face to face meetings. The link below goes live today!



<https://ccht.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Reception Class

Monday 13th November pm

Year 1

Tuesday 14th November am

Year 2

Wednesday 15th November pm

Year 3

Tuesday 14th November pm

Year 4

Thursday 16th November pm

Year 5

Wednesday 15th November pm

Year 6

Wednesday 15th November am

HEAD LICE!



Please check your child's hair for head lice over the half term, and if necessary, treat your child's hair with an appropriate product, before they return to school. We have had a number of parents who have mentioned that, despite treating their child's hair, they are repeatedly being reinfected because other children are not being treated! This is very unfair and very frustrating for parents who are doing everything in their power to eradicate nits and lice from their children's hair.

For more information, please check our website www.ccht.rbkc.sch.uk click on the 'Wellbeing' tab at the top of the page or [click here](#). Thank you.



CHECK OUT NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL MENU

[HERE](#)

A message from Mr. Dollard:
Edward Elgar : 1857 – 1934 : Cello Concerto in E minor

This half-term all children have been listening to Edward Elgar's Cello Concerto in E minor. Can you listen to it at home? Do your children remember any facts about Elgar? Or facts about Concertos? How do you think Elgar was feeling when he wrote this piece of music? Can you watch the whole video? It's best listened to nice and loud!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=INVe_1Eb5dw&t=1294s

MESSAGE FOR Y6 PARENTS/CARERS

Secondary eAdmissions Deadline Tuesday 31st October

Just a reminder that you will need to fill out your online eAdmissions secondary transfer form by Tuesday 31st October. *Please do not forget!*

<https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/importantdates>

Closing dates for applications for September 2024

Tuesday 31 October 2023 is the closing date for a child starting Secondary school (Year 7) and a University Technical College (Year 10)

Monday 15 January 2024 is the closing date for a child starting Primary school (Reception) and Junior school (Year 3)

To find out the closing dates for nursery schools, please check the [Local Authority details](#) page, ONLY the following 4 Local Authorities allow nursery applications online. Bexley, Enfield, Merton and Tower Hamlets.

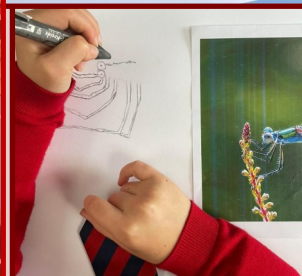
Applications made after these dates will be classed as a late application, please check the [Local Authority details](#) page.

Please note: The Support Desk is available between 8am - 6pm Monday to Friday, with the exception of Bank Holidays.

As part of our Creative Classrooms, our ART CLUBS at Christ Church are extremely popular as they allow the creativity to flow. Sensory activities, project work, both 3D and 2D, and junk modelling are all part of the planned enrichment curriculum too.



Colour Box on Friday



CHRIST CHURCH PROMISES AUCTION

CREATIVE CLASSROOMS HELP US TO FLOURISH



THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2023

7 PM TWO-COURSE DINNER

7:30 PM BIDDING STARTS

TICKETS £25
PER PERSON

CRÈCHE £5
PER CHILD



CHRIST CHURCH PROMISES AUCTION THURSDAY 9th NOVEMBER 2023 at 7pm

Our bumper fundraising event is on the horizon, with fabulous highlights such as:



- *One week family holiday in a traditional Alpine Chalet.*
- *A Day's Trout fishing on the River Itchen*
- *An authentic Indian curry night homemade and prepped and delivered to your door for a party of 10*
- *Two tickets to see Tottenham Hot Spurs vs Bournemouth on 30th December in their home ground.*
- *A TARKA party for 30 children*
- *Four tickets to see Guys & Dolls at the Bridge Theatre. includes babysitting.*
- *Dinner for Four at the Fat Duck in Bray*
- *Christmas Wreath Making for 8 adults including Champagne and Canapés.*

How to I buy a ticket?

With just 3 weeks to go until the Promises Auction itself on Thursday 9th November at 7pm it is time to **please book your tickets** via the **school gateway**. Tickets cost **£25 per person and include a two-course supper and a glass of bubbles**. By pre-ordering your tickets, this will help us in many ways such as planning the set-up of the school hall, ordering enough food and drink (very important!) and also to provide you with your paddle board for the evening's entertainment. It will also help us with up front essential costs that are required to make the event happen! If you are purchasing for additional guests, please could you email me their names so I can allocate them a paddle board number.

If you are not a CCHT parent please email **Katie Rose** krrose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk who will reserve you a spot and you can add the price of your ticket to your bill at the end of the night, or you can make a bank transfer ahead of the night.

What do I need to bring on the night itself?

Please bring cash and a healthy appetite for delicious food and plenty of fun. There will be a cash bar for wine and beer and soft drinks and there will be a number of games throughout the evening that will require cash for participation although it is absolutely not obligatory to participate in any of these games. You will be able to pay for your winning lots by card at the end of the evening, but everything else on the night is cash only please.

Do I need to pre-book the creche?

Please pre-book the crèche on the school gateway. The cost is £5 per child for the evening. We will have a pyjama party and movie night and the children will have a lovely time looked after by our members of staff. An important note to remember is that the auction will run on until approximately 10.30pm at the **latest**.

Can I place a bid on a lot even if I am unable to make the auction?

Yes, absolutely! All parents will receive an auction catalogue after half term, allowing plenty of time to peruse the lots that tempt you and to mark your cards! There is an absentee bid form at the back of the brochure that you can fill in, cut out and leave in the offices if you are unable to join us on the night or might need to leave the auction before that lot, or for those who prefer to be discreet with their bid. The choice is yours, as long as the absentee bid form is handed in before midday on Thursday 9th November.

Can I make a donation if I prefer not to bid?

Any donations would be very welcome. A donation can be made via the absentee bid form at the back of the catalogue or by cash or card on the night.

There are many other ways to support too:

Sponsoring our Bar—via School Gateway you can help us with the cost of the prosecco and wine—all sponsors will have their name in the catalogue, thank you.

Purchasing a Raffle ticket with a chance to win a luxurious Ralph Lauren Handbag—[here](#)

What is the money we raise going towards?

The money we collectively raise from the Promises Auction will go towards **Creative Classrooms** providing essential resources to enhance our curriculum and our children's learning. We pride ourselves on providing an experience-led learning environment by offering class trips, a wide variety of enrichment in co-curricular subjects to bring to life the curriculum and our pupils' educational journey.

We really look forward to welcoming you on the night and enjoying the Promises we have made to make school improvements and enrich our children's education.

CHRISTMAS DATES !

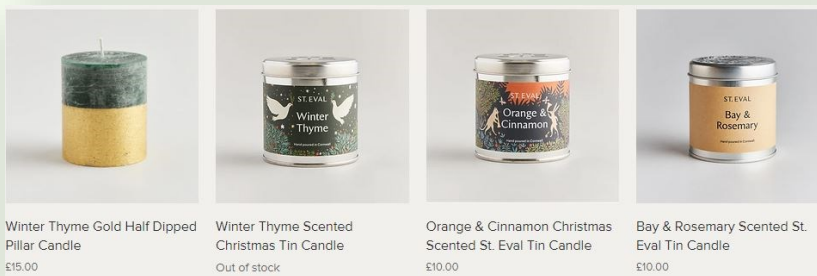


18th November 2023
Come and support and listen to our
CCHT Choir take part in the
Chelsea Christmas Lights
Switch-On

1st December 2023
Nothing could be more festive than our
CCHT Choir singing carols in
Pavilion Road with hot chocolate and
twinkly lights all around.

2nd December 2023 12-3pm
Christ Church Christmas Fair

Christmas games, chocolate tombola, bottle tombola, Father Christmas's Grotto, Tea Cup Rides, Horse & Cart, face painting, hot dog stand, mulled wine and hot chocolate, homemade cake & bake stand, flower stall, Church Christmas Raffle draw and much much more.



Winter Thyme Gold Half Dipped
Pillar Candle
£15.00

Winter Thyme Scented
Christmas Tin Candle
Out of stock

Orange & Cinnamon Christmas
Scented St. Eval Tin Candle
£10.00

Bay & Rosemary Scented St.
Eval Tin Candle
£10.00



Our CCHT Online Christmas Shop has launched with a whole range of scented candles, coloured dinner candles, advent candles, Christmas cards, personalised school tea towels (coming soon), Christmas gifts, stocking fillers and lovely Christmas plants and Christmas Trees all available to purchase in the run up to Christmas. www.cchtshop.com. *Collection from school only.*

Christmas Tree Orders—available to buy on the Christmas Shop above.
Order your trees—six sizes to choose from—from the Christmas shop for delivery in time for the Christmas Fair. See separate email for details.

Date For your Diary!

Our Elf Auction
Monday 11th December—Friday 15th December

Look out for more details after half term on our superb Christmas online Auction run by our Reception classes at both schools. Christmas goodies usually include bottles of Champagne, Christmas treats, homemade chocolates and gifts, indulgent bubble baths or spoiling spa treats, hampers, electronic games or tickets to a Christmas pantomime, homemade chutneys or even Christmas crackers.



Please send your lot donations to **Katie Rose** at krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk. Lot values can range from £10 - £100 all in the name of the season of goodwill.

Open Afternoon

*Tuesday 31st October
3.30pm—4pm*



This is an opportunity for parents and carers to look through their child's work and to see what they have been learning this term. Please try to make the time to come. You will get a chance to discuss your child's progress during the individual parent meetings which will be held the following week.

Book Fair

Monday, 6th —Friday 10th November



All next week there will be a book fair on the piazza after school (it will be held in the corridor outside the hall if it rains). The school will be given 50% of all profits made to spend on books for each class.

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>

If you find something you would like to purchase – just add it to your basket and follow the same procedures as if you were ordering something for yourself. The items will then be delivered directly to the school – please make sure you select the school address in the delivery section.



Mrs Wordsmith (uncertain)

YR	timid
Y1	hesitant
Y2	wary
Y3	insecure
Y4	introverted
Y5	sheepish
Y6	diffident



AUTUMN CONCERT

AUTUMN CONCERT AT CHRIST CHURCH

Thursday 16th November at 9.10am

Come and listen to our talented musicians and choir in our Autumn Concert.

UNIFORM

We would like to remind you that school coats should either be the school coat or should be a plain navy blue coat —no fur collars please. Can we also remind you that children should have a school backpack to bring in books, trainers etc. Other bags/backpacks are not school uniform.



- Blue or red socks or tights
- Blue or red hair accessories
- School Bag
- School coat or plain navy blue coat



**PLEASE REMEMBER
WINTER UNIFORM AFTER HALF TERM—NO MORE SUMMER
DRESSES**



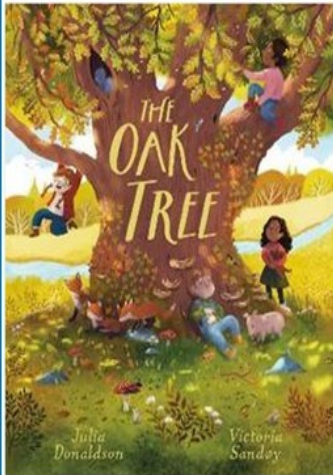


Recommended Read



The Oak Tree (ages 4-6 & up)

Author: Julia Donaldson **Illustrator:** Victoria Sandøy **Publisher:** Alison Green Books



A thousand years ago an acorn began to grow... This is the story of an oak tree, which lives through many changes. The land around it is taken over by Normans and Tudors, then Victorians and finally, in modern times it's toppled by a gale. Over the years, it's sheltered and fed woodpeckers, wasps, squirrels, birds of many varieties and even a king! It's grown tall, dropped leaves and acorns, turned hollow, and been a place for children and animals to play. Even lying at rest, it welcomes ants and spiders.

Told in Julia Donaldson's trademark rich rhyme, this story is engaging and informative. There are facts about oak trees at the end, too. But it's the rhyming text that pulls you through the life of the tree, which is always shown with children playing around it. The details of both history and tree are pitched perfectly for pre-schoolers, and there are lots of areas for discussion. The illustrations are warm and beautiful and reflect the diversity of human and animal life in and around the tree. A delight.

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS!



Weekly Headlines



Individual Class Leaderboards

Holy Trinity

Year 2 _{ZP}	Year 3 _{MQ}	Year 4 _{AJ}	Year 5 _{CP-B}	Year 6 _{JD}
Noelle	Christopher	Elena	Laura	

Christ Church

Year 2 _{NK}	Year 3 _{LL}	Year 4 _{EA}	Year 5 _{MB}	Year 6 _{NW}
Leonore	Leopold	Marina	Chelsea	



Weekly Headlines



Holy Trinity

Year 1 _{CM}	Year 2 _{ZP}	Year 3 _{MQ}	Year 4 _{AJ}	Year 5 _{CP-B}	Year 6 _{JD}
Aurelia	Margot	Andre	Ethan		Nathan

Christ Church

Year 1 _{OD}	Year 2 _{NK}	Year 3 _{LL}	Year 4 _{EA}	Year 5 _{MB}	Year 6 _{NW}
Eden	Cesar	Sienna	Astrid		



Chelsea Christmas Lights Switch-On

Saturday 18th November 2023



Santa needs your help!

Santa needs a Special Helper for the Chelsea Christmas Lights Switch-On. Do you know of a child who would like to ride with him in his sleigh and turn on the Christmas lights, bringing magic and Christmas cheer to all of Chelsea?

Could this be you or one of your friends? Do you know of someone who has achieved something really special this year? Helped someone in a special way? Or has an extra special wish that needs Santa's help to come true?

If you would like to nominate someone as Santa's Special Helper, please either:

1. Fill out the form below and return it to us no later than Friday 3rd November, addressed to:
Santa's Elves, c/o Cadogan, 10 Duke of York Square, London SW3 4LY

or

2. Email Santa's Elves c/o contact@cadogan.co.uk by Friday 3rd November providing the information requested on the form below

Santa's Special Helper will be notified on Friday, 10th November. Please ensure that nominees are available to join us on Saturday 18th November from 2.30pm.

Please note, information submitted on this form will only be used for the purposes of selecting a child to assist in the 2023 Chelsea Christmas Lights Switch-On event. Any information you share with us will be treated respectfully and confidentially, comply with GDPR requirements, and will not be retained beyond 18 November 2023. If your child is selected to be Santa's Special Helper and permission is given for them to take part in the event, there is an understanding that we reserve the right to use their name and image for publicity purposes on and after 18 November 2023.

Good luck!



Your name:

Email: Mobile:

Address: Postcode:

About Santa's Special Helper

Name of nominee (can be the same as above):.....

Age of nominee: **Why should this person be chosen to be Santa's Special Helper?**

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(Please continue on another sheet of paper if required)

**THE ABSOLUTE
BEST CHRISTMAS
FAIR!**

Please come along and
bring your friends...

**Wednesday
22nd November
9.30am-7pm &
Thursday
23rd November 2023
9.00am-5.00pm 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.
Contact: @nataliavioletantiques on Instagram



We are recruiting!

The Katherine Low Settlement is a much-loved, busy charity that has been at the heart of the community in Battersea, Southwest London, since 1924. We have worked with older people since our conception. We provide, often in partnership, a range of projects and activities for older people including health and wellbeing; creative arts; intergenerational work; connecting people and trips/outings. We also run a lunch club as part of our Elders Programme and are currently looking to recruit a part-time Cook to cook delicious nutritious meals for our elders Lunch Club.

Job Title	Elders Programme, Lunch Club Cook
Position	Permanent contract
Salary	£13/hour (16 hours per week).
Hours	We are looking for a passionate cook to work Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9.40am - 3 pm (16 hours per week).
Responsible to	Core Team Manager, Elders Team
Location	108 Battersea High Street, London SW11 3HP

Further Information

If you'd like to talk about this position in more detail, then please contact Sarah Goodall or Dawn Killeen on 020 7223 2845 and sarahg@klssettlement.org.uk or dawn@klssettlement.org.uk

Katherine Low Settlement	Registered charity no.1081248 and company limited by guarantee no. 3814833	108 Battersea High Street London SW11 3HP United Kingdom	020 7223 2845 info@klssettlement.org.uk www.klssettlement.org.uk
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ALL EXPERIENCE LEVELS WELCOME

WANDSWORTH COMMON ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

Email girls.coach@ironsidesrugby.com to register your interest

GIRLS ONLY - 10-17 YEARS OLD

Childcare Vouchers Accepted, Sibling & Referral Discounts!

Barbie

Inspired Songs, Scenes and Dances

Join us for our exciting 'Barbie' Inspired Half Term Camp!

Working towards a professionally filmed performance

Monday 23rd - Wednesday 25th October
Full Days: 9am - 3.20pm Half Days: 9am - 1pm (1.30pm finish on the final day)
*Please note that we only allocate a certain amount of half days slots per camp, book early to guarantee these.

FULHAM: St Johns Walham Green Primary School SW6 6AS
RICHMOND: Christs School, Queens Road TW10 6HW

Our camps are a great opportunity for children to have fun and build confidence through singing, drama and dance. We provide resources on our small group sites, allowing every child the chance to shine and be heard. Our videographer comes along on the final day to film the children performing their scenes and songs with props, costumes and accessories. Our acting tutors of future possible employment, ensuring everyone is cared for whilst keeping in line with the latest government guidance. Props and costumes are provided by us, children just need to bring their own packed lunch for each day of the camp with access snacks and water.

Age 5-11 Yrs

£10 off for Little Voices Pupils!

LittleVoices
Drama & Singing Lessons of Distinction

To apply contact:
Email: swl@littlevoices.org.uk
Call: 0208 088 0113
www.littlevoices.org.uk

Full Days: £205 per child. Half Days: £165 per child (childcare vouchers accepted & sibling discount).
Option to pay over direct debit instalments available.

*Terms and conditions apply. We must apply to our application form to book onto a LittleVoices camp. Please visit LittleVoices to contact you to confirm a place. If a child comes down with COVID-19 and cannot attend our camp we will offer a credit for the future or will offer a credit for the future if they can no longer attend. Please check our coronavirus response in the report card to come to our camp and have read the full details of our booking requirements. All LittleVoices returns are fully insured under the 2019 Act and the 2019 Act. Please see our Terms and Conditions for more information. Subject to application and consent for your child to be placed for the full performance.



Friday 20th October

Reception Class Newsletter

This week we:

- Revisited the sounds /s/, /a/, /t/, /p/, /i/, /n/, /d/, /m/, /g/, /o/, /c/, and /k/ in our Alphabet Code lessons.
- Perfected our numeral formation in our Maths lessons. We also labelled a numicon number line.
- Focused on reading and writing CVC words in our English lessons. The children are making fantastic progress.
- Went on a fantastic trip to the Chelsea Physic Garden for Black History Month. We learnt all about Dr. Caesar, who invented a natural antidote to treat rattlesnake bites.
- Read the *Colour Monster* by Anna Llenas and drew how we felt in the different zones. The blue zone is tired, bored or sad. The red zone is angry. The green zone is happy and calm. The yellow zone is excited or anxious. We also made our own calming bottles, which we filled with glitter, paint and beads. We wrote a list of the materials we used.

After half-term, the children's reading books and homework book will be sent home every Wednesday. Please return the books by Tuesday morning.

As we have a narrow window to change them, books which are returned later will not be changed until the following week. Please let us know how the reading is going by writing in the reading record.

Have a lovely half-term and a well-deserved rest ☺



Learning at Christ Church in Year 1

Friday 20th October 2023

In English, this week started our new unit on 'The Great Fire of London'. We read an account from someone who lived through the great fire and then began to generate questions we could ask them about the fire. Remembering to use question marks as the end of our questions.

In Maths, we have been completing our maths assessments on place value and now we will start our new topic on addition to 10.

In Science, we thought about our five senses. We focussed specifically on our sense of smell. We then smelt 4 different covered food items and had to guess what we thought they were. We then thought about adjectives we could use to describe the different smells.

In PSHE, this week, we have been talking about our feelings and linking them to the zones of regulation as well as focussing on 'Kindness' and what being kind looks like!

In RE, we thought about how we were all created in God's image and are all unique in our own special ways. We then decorated clothes pegs for our talk partners to show our partners how they are special and unique.

We have had a fabulous half term in year one and can't wait to get stuck into the next half term where we will be learning even more new things! Have a fantastic break!

An adventurous week in Year 1!
Have a peaceful half-term break!



Learning in Year 2 at Christ Church

Friday 20th October 2023

This week, Year 2 started to retell the story of the Princess and the Frog through diary entries and story maps. It's been great to see so many children editing their work more independently with green pen and be more thoughtful with their spelling endings of past tense verbs.

In Maths, we moved on from place value and started our new unit – Addition and Subtraction. Year 2 revised their number bonds to 10 and 100 and used their numbers bonds to 10 to help them add/subtract two 2 digit numbers. They also added two 2 digit numbers using related facts. For example:

If I know that... $4 + 6 = 10$

Then $40 + 60 = 100$

If... $10 - 8 = 2$

Then $100 - 80 = 20$

Throughout the term, Year 2 have been finding out where our food comes from and have learnt about the different processes plants/animals can go through before it ends up as a meal on our plate.

They got to explore this topic further on Thursday when we visited Goodwood Farm. Next term, they will be learning about local heroes in History and have a walk around Chelsea with Blue Peter badge holder, Nadia Merchant, booked in the diary.

Have a fantastic half term
Miss Kennedy



Learning in Year 3 at Christ Church

In Maths we finished our last few lessons on addition and subtraction with exchanging. We worked extra hard on this topic and made great progress as a class. We finished off our week playing race to 100 where we roll a die and continue to add the numbers until we reach 100! This is a great game to play at home during the break. See if you can reach 200 or even 400!

In History we finished our topic on the Stone Age. We became Stone Age artists and made cave paintings. We had to scrunch up the paper to make it look old and worn out and then used charcoal to create images of animals and tools. We have really enjoyed learning about this period in history.

In RE this week, we created plays based on parables. We know Jesus told many parables to teach us lessons, and we used this knowledge to come up with parables of our own. We either chose a parable about caring for friends or a parable about caring for our world. Year 3 had lots of creative ideas and were fabulous actors!

In Art we made sculptures based on Antony Gormley's piece 'Field'. These figures were made using terracotta clay. We have 30 figures that we will place around the school. If you see these sculptures, think about how they change the space around you.

I hope you have a safe and relaxing break!

Miss Lang



Learning in Year 4 at Christ Church

Friday 20th October

This week in English, we re-watched the film: 'Egyptian Pyramids' and thought about the structure of the animation. We used a story mountain to review the introduction, the build-up, the problem, the resolution and the ending. Then, we chose a range of fronted adverbials, co-ordinating conjunctions and exciting synonyms to use in our writing. We remembered to include the features of a diary entry, including: date, greeting, paragraphs, past tense, writing in the first person and sign off. Our finished diary entries are impressive and capture the hilarious and unusual day of an archaeologist in Egypt in 1920!

In Maths, we have continued our unit on Addition and Subtraction. Before subtracting each column, we asked: "Do you have enough ones/tens/hundreds to subtract?" If not, an exchange is needed. We have been subtracting from the "smallest value column" first, rather than referring to it as the "ones column". We have also been using place value counters to represent different questions.

In Art, we continued with our unit: 'Viewpoints' and looked at the artist L.S Lowry. We learned about L.S Lowry's life and experiences and pondered on how these influenced his artwork. We learned how L.S Lowry is a British painter who spent much of his life in Manchester. He focussed on painting industrial scenes and had a distinctive style of painting stickmen.

Thank you so much for all support this term! 😊 What a brilliant start to the year we have had.

Good questions to ask your child this week:

- Which tense do you mostly use when writing a diary entry?
- What are two different methods you can use to add two 4-digit numbers together?
- What is our school's Christian virtue for next term?

Reminders:

- Homework is sent home on Thursdays.
- Please bring Reading Records and Homework books in on Tuesdays.
- Homework club takes place on Thursdays.
- P.E. is on Monday and Wednesday. Please send your child in wearing their P.E. uniform and trainers.

Word of the week: brazen - obvious, without any attempt to be hidden



Learning at Christ Church Friday, 20th October 2023

Another learning filled week at Christ Church has come to an end.

In English, Year 5 have been working on their final piece of writing about the short video, *'The Swing of Change'*. Children used their planning and drafts to write about the barber's background, why he doesn't like Jazz and how an encounter with a magic trumpet makes him change his mind about this type of music and allows him to become a better person. In their writing, they evidenced skilled they have been learning about this term such as building suspense, using personifications, and using dialogue to add momentum to their plots.

In Maths, Year 5 have been learning about multiples. Multiples of a given number are the products you can make by multiplying your given number by a whole number. Children also learned how to work out the common multiples of 2 given multiples (the multiples that both numbers share). Children used their knowledge of multiples to solve multistep problems. We also focused on our reasoning skills this week.

In Science, children have been learning about forensic science which allows scientists to solve crimes by collecting and interpreting clues from a crime scene. Children learned about a variety of forensic techniques such as fingerprint and handwriting analysis.

In Computing, we have been learning about how computers communicate with each other. We have been using Google classroom and its chat function to create a presentation about how to take care of a pet without talking to each other. The only way children could communicate with each other about their work was through the app.

In Art, we learned about an artist called Jospheh Cornell. We learned about his childhood and realised that many of the objects featuring in his collections represent an important childhood memory. We looked at his collection and created our own collections of 100 objects.

We hope you have a lovely half term!



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English: This week we have continued our journey on 'Story openings' using *The Hunger Games* written by Suzanne Collins and its 2012 film adaptation as a source of inspiration. Students have learnt about the importance of text structure by completing a sorting activity of jumbled up paragraphs from a text. Students had to unjumble and complete activities involving the paragraphs, such as identifying examples of personification and metaphors in the text (see images below). Also, this week, students have been completing SATs reading papers. These involve reading three different texts and answering short and long response questions about each text. The school is using the papers to introduce the class to the format of SATs papers, but also to determine students' current reading comprehension skills.



Mathematics: In Maths this week, students have started the new unit of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. This unit has been postponed due to the class completing three Mathematics SATs papers. One paper on arithmetic and two papers on mathematics reasoning. We are completing these papers to get a baseline of student's abilities, like the English papers.

Sheep and Shepherds: On Wednesday, Year 6 joined up with Reception and had another amazing afternoon. This week, Sheep and their Shepherds create Autumn Artwork. Students used real Autumn leaves to create creatures. Students used paint, glue, glitter and sticks to create their artwork. Both the Sheep and their Shepherds had a great time bonding over their artwork. See below for some photos of their time together.



Finally, I would like to congratulate all of year 6 after a long week of assessments and tests! Everyone has been on their best and brightest this week!!!

Have a great weekend and an amazing half term.

Mr. Williamson