



Christ Church School Newsletter 24th November 2023

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NEXT WEEK—VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

Monday 27th November	Y4	Mufti Day for Christmas Fair
Tuesday 28th November	YR & Y6	Trip to the Chelsea Theatre
Wednesday 29th November	Whole School	Nasal Flu Jab
Friday 1st December	CCHT Choir	Singing on Pavilion Road, 4pm, all parents welcome
Saturday 2nd December	Whole School	Christ Church Christmas Fair 12-3pm

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Reception Class:

Henry & Mikael

Year 1:

Jemima & Xander D

Year 2:

Jisoo & Josefine

Year 3:

Loujayn & Sofia

Year 4:

At Hooke Court

Year 5:

Jessica & Yeon-Ho

Year 6:

Nia & Elmer

Dates for your Diary

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Monday 4th December—Y4 Trip to Lambeth Palace

Tuesday 5th December—Y5 Trip to the Science Museum

Thursday 7th December—Christingle Service, Christ Church 2.30pm

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

Friday 15th December— Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

Thursday 14th December—Christmas Assembly at Christ Church, 2.30pm

Friday 15th December—Y3 Trip to the Science Museum

Thursday 21st December— End of Term, 1.30pm



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CHRISTMAS
Amazon Wish List

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Thank you to everyone who has purchased something for our school from our Amazon Wish List, in particular all the items we have requested for next week!

We now have an extensive list of wishes for our **Christmas Fair**. These are to help us cover a long list of expenses in making the fair such a success for the children.

Thank you to anyone who feels they might be able to contribute towards this.

<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 it 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.

Date: Whole school	Authorised Absence %	Unauthorised Attendance %	Attendance %
13 th -17 th November	1.61	0.20	98.20

Class	% Attendance	% Unauthorised	Number of lates
YR	100	0	1
Y1	93	0	1
Y2	99	0	2
Y3	99	0	4
Y4	97	1	0
Y5	100	0	11
Y6	100	0	1

CHECK OUT NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL MENU [HERE](#)



BAND PERFORMANCE



Friday 1st December—Special Mentions Assembly, 9.10am

Parents and carers welcome to come and listen to our Band performing in Special Mentions assembly on Friday 1st December at 9.10am.



Mrs Wordsmith (cold)

YR	shivery
Y1	frosty
Y2	brisk
Y3	biting
Y4	numbing
Y5	excruciating
Y6	penetrating

The Best Present for Children This Christmas:

Sirrell the Squirrel, a beautifully written and illustrated book by Juliet Rood. The heartwarming tale of a squirrel who unexpectedly finds himself a long way from his home in the Scottish Highlands.

With its rhyming story and beautiful watercolour illustrations, this is truly a captivating book; a perfect present for children that will be cherished for years to come and enjoyed by all generations.

<https://www.sirrellthesquirrel.com/>

USE CODE: CC&HT for 10% off **this code expires on 08/12/2023*



CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

1st December 2023—4pm

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 (tickets are on School Gateway) and much much more.

Raffle Tickets for the Christmas Fair are for sale on School Gateway. A Nintendo Switch, plus two games is one of the prizes along with a luxury Christmas hamper from Fortnum & Mason, champagne, and John Lewis vouchers.



Our CCHT Online Christmas Shop has a whole range of scented candles, coloured dinner candles, advent candles, Christmas cards, Christmas gifts, stocking fillers and lovely Christmas plants all available to purchase in the run up to Christmas. www.cchtshop.com Collection from school only.

Christ Church Tea Towels the ideal stocking filler and Christmas Gift—can be purchased on School Gateway. Collection from the office.

Christmas Trees will be available to collect from 3.30pm on **Friday 30th November** with the opportunity to pick them up right up until after the Christmas Fair.

Christingle Service at Christ Church takes place on **Thursday 7th December at 2.30pm** all parents welcome to attend this very special service.

Our CCHT Elf Auction—Monday 11th December—Friday 15th December
Run by our two Reception Classes at CCHT please support our online auction by donating Lots to raise funds for playtime resources. Christmas Lots 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. The deadline for donations is **Friday 30th November**.



Christmas Assembly take place at **2.30pm on Thursday 14th December**, all parents welcome to attend with the whole school involved.

Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch for the children will take place on **Friday 15th December**.



Christ Church St Nicholas Fair

Saturday 2nd December 12pm—3pm at Christ Church

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, chocolate tombola, bottle tombola, face painting, homemade cake & bake stall 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—The Chocolate Tombola

• Thank you to everyone in KS2 who today, has brought in a lot of **Christmas Chocolate** for our tombola. Please could parent coordinators arrange for volunteers to come and stick on raffle tickets to the chocolate closer to the event. We have the tickets for you and 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.

Y1—The Bottle Tombola

• Thank you to everyone in KS1 who today, has brought in Bottles of all different descriptions for our tombola. Please could parent coordinators arrange for volunteers to come and stick on raffle tickets to the bottles closer to the event. We have the tickets for you and 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—Father Christmas Grotto

• Organised by your parent coordinators we will require x2 volunteers to man the grotto at different time slots and help Father Christmas deliver presents and take note of the time and organise the queue so that everyone gets a turn. Presents and decoration have already been sourced but we are **desperately seeking a volunteer to provide a balloon display.**

Y3 - The Lucky Dip

• Donations of lucky dip prizes have been kindly purchased from the Amazon Wish List. Please could parent coordinators arrange for volunteers to come and wrap the presents before the day and come up with a rota of volunteers to man the stall during the event. You will be in charge of collecting money on the day. We will provide you with a float.

Y4 – The Photo Booth

• Organised by your parent coordinators who will request for help to source and arrange the fancy dress and accessories box. Lots of props have been kindly purchased from the Amazon Wish list. This time the photos will be taken by parents or adults but there will be a charge for the use of all the props! Volunteers are also required to man the stall, keep it tidy and be in charge of collecting money on the day. We will provide you with a float.

Y5—The 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 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 1st December or before the start of the fair. Please could parent coordinators arrange for volunteers to man the stall and be in charge of collecting the money on the day.

Y6—Mulled Wine & Hot Chocolate Stand

• Coordinated by your parent coordinators, we will need parents to please make the mulled wine and purchase the hot chocolate and all the appropriate additions. We have an urn at school for you to make up the mulled wine and will provide a float but we will require volunteers to man the stall during the fair and make up the drinks. You will be provided with a float.

If you are unable to make the Fair but would like to make a donation we would be very grateful for homemade cakes or bakes, lucky dip prizes, bottle and chocolate donations for the tombolas. Thank you very much and we look forward to seeing you all there.

Reverse Advent Calendars – Christmas 2023

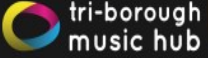
This December we would like continue with our different kind of advent calendar with the children. We are going to ask two children in each class to bring in an item (from the wish list below) each day from 1st December leading up to (and including) Wednesday 20th December. These items will then be donated 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

- Instant coffee
- Instant hot chocolate
- Biscuits
- Sugar
- Tea bags
- Vegetarian tinned soups
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned pulses
- Baked beans
- Dried pasta (No spaghetti please)
- Cereals
- Jams
- Toiletries such as Shampoo, Body Wash and Soaps
- Deodorant
- New underwear (men and women)



Please kindly stick to this list as there are restrictions in place as to what the Charity can accept in the form of donations. Thank you in advance.

 tri-borough music hub

Music Production Class

Day	Tuesdays
Time	4:15pm-5:00pm
Venue	Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith
School Year	4 - 6
Cost	£55 * 50% remission available for Free School Meals

Want to know how to create music that can be used for beats, games or podcasts? Or maybe you are a musician or singer who wants to know how to record and compose your own music? This course will teach you how to use a range of music production software programmes (BandLab, GarageBand, Logic Pro X) to compose, record, edit your music and upload it or share it with your friends. You will get free access to an Apple MacBook and gain valuable skills along the way. Limited places available!

Course running from 9th January 2024
 Booking closes on Monday 18th December 2023. Don't miss out, sign up now!

<https://UKTRIBOROUGH.speedadmin.dk/registration?signupSchoolID=657#/Course/28/0/286/657>



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Join our Governor, Quentin Nason, for a free webinar on Financial Literacy Education with the Lord Mayor where he will discuss his work at **City Pay it Forward** and also provide advice for parents derived from his interactions with teachers and students both in the UK and in the US.

Click on the link below if you would like to hear the presentation. There will also be the opportunity for questions at the end and there will be a recording of the session for those unable to make the time.

Is Today's Financial Literacy Education Fit For Purpose?

Tips And Ideas For Parents, Based On Granular Interactions With Teachers And Students, To Help Empower Children To Navigate An Ever More Complicated Financial World

Background:

Children are entering into an ever more complicated financial world ill-equipped to make educated decisions. How has financial literacy education kept up with the shift to a cashless society where children hardly ever touch a bank note, where the majority of the next generation do not trust institutions such as banks or where cryptocurrency is begging the question of what is "money"?

The answer quite simply is that it hasn't, and the ramifications are dire for those leaving school without effective financial education as it puts them at high risk of financial abuse, fraud, and debt from an early age.

There could not be a more important time for financial literacy education given the backdrop of the cost-of-living crisis as well as the stark statistics of youth indebtedness. Leveraging on his granular interactions with over 20,000 students in the UK and on working with the two largest school districts in the US, Quentin will provide a grassroots perspective of how financial literacy education needs to adapt to all the changes in the new economy as we accelerate towards a cashless society.

A study by the Money and Pensions Service confirmed that money habits and behaviours that will stick with children for life are formed by the age of seven which means that early year interventions are critical. He will provide some helpful tips to parents on how to navigate the evolving landscape and to better empower the next generation in making more informed decisions.

Speaker:

Quentin Nason is a seasoned financial professional whose career in investment banking and asset management spans over thirty years across four continents. While he has been at the forefront of the international capital markets and the development of new financial products, his true passion really lies in the field of education.

As a parent himself, Quentin saw first-hand the lack of financial literacy education in schools. Together with a group of volunteers, he decided to do something about it and created his educational charity **City Pay it Forward**.



Register Now:

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Lecture Information

Date: 12 December 2023

Time: 11:00 - 11:45 GMT

Type: Webinar

Presented by:
City Pay It Forward



Speaker(s):



Quentin Nason
Founder
City Pay It Forward



Recommended Read



The Snow Girl (ages 9-11 & up)

Author: Sophie Anderson **Illustrator:** Melissa Castrillón **Publisher:** Usborne



Tasha and her parents move to the mountains to take care of Grandpa and his fam. When winter arrives, Tasha is delighted to see snow for the first time, and quickly sets to work sculpting a snow girl. Tasha wishes the girl was real, as she finds it difficult to make friends and is desperately lonely. Incredibly, the snow girl, Alyana, comes to life and whisks Tasha away on exciting moonlit adventures, night after night. When Alyana explains that she will disappear with the arrival of spring, Tasha makes a wish that the winter will last forever, as cannot bear the thought being alone again.

As the harsh weather conditions worsen, Grandpa falls gravely ill, but the doctor cannot reach him through the snow. Tasha knows that she must ask Alyana to bring winter to an end, but will this mean she will lose her only friend forever?

Beautifully written, this is an enchanting story about facing fears, reaching out to make new friends and knowing when to let go. The novel is interwoven with folk tales of snow spirits and enhanced by magical illustrations in wintry blue tones.

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS!



Weekly Headlines



Individual Class Leaderboards

Holy Trinity

Year 2 <small>ZP</small>	Year 3 <small>MQ</small>	Year 4 <small>AJ</small>	Year 5 <small>CP-B</small>	Year 6 <small>JD</small>
Margot	Andre	Georgie		Cici

Christ Church

Year 2 <small>NK</small>	Year 3 <small>LL</small>	Year 4 <small>EA</small>	Year 5 <small>MB</small>	Year 6 <small>NW</small>
Jisoo	Amana	Marina	Chelsea	



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Holy Trinity

Year 1 <small>CM</small>	Year 2 <small>ZP</small>	Year 3 <small>MQ</small>	Year 4 <small>AJ</small>	Year 5 <small>CP-B</small>	Year 6 <small>JD</small>
Margot	Margot	Christopher	Leena		

Christ Church

Year 1 <small>OD</small>	Year 2 <small>NK</small>	Year 3 <small>LL</small>	Year 4 <small>EA</small>	Year 5 <small>MB</small>	Year 6 <small>NW</small>
Amira	Cesar	Amana	Anastasia	Axeline	



Friday 24th November

Reception Class Newsletter

This week we:

- Learnt how to read and write the codes /ss/ (hiss), /ll/ (pull) and /j/ in our Alphabet Code lessons.
- Explored repeating patterns in our Maths lessons. We continued patterns, created our own and corrected errors in patterns. We used combinations of 2D shapes, letters, numbers and colours.
- Continued our unit, Festivals and Celebrations. This week, we explored the Jewish celebration, Hanukkah. We played with dreidels and won gelt (gold coins.) We listened to traditional Jewish blessings and lit candles on the menorah each day. We made and decorated the Star of David using playdough. We also had a feast of doughnuts, as is traditional! The children set up the tables themselves, including napkins, knives, forks, jugs and cups. We focused on our table manners and also on our fine motor skills, as we cut up the doughnuts to share.
- Read Hanukkah Bear by Eric A. Kimmel in our English lessons. We wrote speech bubbles for the characters, wrote a list of objects that we need to celebrate Hanukkah and we also wrote a recipe for doughnuts.
- Continued to learn about the Nativity story in R.E. We wrote a card to announce the birth of baby Jesus.
- Celebrated our differences for 'We Are All Different Week.' We discussed our family units, our religions, how we have many things in common and neurodiversity.

Next week we will:

- Learn how to read and write the sounds /v/, /w/ and /x/ in our Alphabet Code lessons
 - Learn about 3D shapes
- Go on a trip to The Chelsea Theatre to watch a pantomime with our lovely shepherds

Have a lovely weekend 🍷



Learning at Christ Church in Year 1

Friday 24th November 2023

In English, we finalised our stories on The Great Fire of London. We correctly used all of our senses to describe the terrible fire that took place in 1666. We then began our unit on 'Owl Babies' and first familiarised ourselves with the story.

In Maths, we have been looking at subtraction and addition as well as fact families. We have learnt that when looking at part-part-whole models in subtraction we always start our subtracting with the whole.

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

In Science, we have been thinking about different materials, such as: Transparent, Translucent and Opaque and how these material let differing amounts of light through. We thought about how light travels in straight lines and predicted which materials we thought would be transparent, translucent and opaque. We then put these to the test to see if our predictions were correct.

In RE, we continued looking at the nativity story and thought about the roles of Mary and Joseph in the story and how important they are.

In Computing, this week we have been looking at the paintz application, where we have been creating pictures in the style of different artist. This week we focussed on the artist Wassily Kandinsky. We are now more confident when logging onto Google Classroom and typing in our usernames and passwords using our keyboards and mouse to help us.

If anyone has any **thick wool** that they would like to donate to Year One it would be greatly appreciated for our Owl Babies English unit!

Please bring it in by **Wednesday 29th November!**

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



Learning in Year 2 at Christ Church

Friday 24th November 2023

Well done, Year 2, for working incredibly hard with your report writing this week. They've written fantastic first drafts of a shark report – making sure to include headings, subheadings, diagrams and captions as well as using technical vocabulary like 'species' and 'habitat'.

In Maths, they've continued with addition and subtraction using the expanded/partitioning method. It's really important they're taught a variety of methods so they feel confident using one that works for them. This method involves partitioning of the ones and tens of 2 numbers, and adding the total to find the answer. Please go over quick recall of adding tens – e.g. $10+60 = 70$ (*because you know $1+6 = 7$*) at home!

For example:

$$67 + 14 = 81$$

Add the ones: $7+4 = 11$

Add the tens: $60 + 10 = 70$

Find the total: 81

We've really enjoyed celebrating the 'We Are Different' week in school and have read lots of books to explore how our differences make us special – families/religions/cultures and have also found that we are all similar also in many ways.

Have a happy weekend & with best wishes,
Miss Kennedy



Learning in Year 3 at Christ Church



On Monday, we went to the Natural History Museum to take part in a Mission to Mars workshop. The students had to create a rover made of Lego and then use a coding program to make the rover move. Their first mission was to work as a team to make the rover travel forward. Their second mission was to add an element on the rover that would help their mission to Mars and the NASA researchers, such as a 360 camera or a rock collector. Then, they had to program the rover to move over rocky terrain and reach a

specific point and turn back to base. The children loved participating in this workshop and used fantastic problem solving and teamwork all day!

In English we have started to write our first drafts on our story about dragons. We are editing our drafts and adding in ambitious adjectives, paragraphing, fronted adverbials and punctuation! We have lots to think about when creating stories and the students are doing a great job.

In RE we have started our topic on Advent learning about different prophets and how different cultures celebrate the time around Christmas. This lesson tied in well with our overall theme this week 'We are all different', where we looked and celebrated all the ways in which we are different at CCHT. We spoke about how equality looks in and outside the classroom and how to behave using our Christ Church virtues.



Learning in Year 4 at Christ Church

Friday 24th November

Year Four have been having a wonderful time in Hooke Court this week. They have been experiencing what it was like to live as a Tudor! As well as attending a Tudor school, baking traditional biscuits and making candles, they have learnt Tudor dancing and even attended a Tudor banquet!





Learning at Christ Church Friday, 24th November 2023

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

In English, Year 5 have started a new unit focusing on tales from other cultures. They have been studying a Brazilian tale called 'How Brazilian Beetles Got Their Gorgeous Coats'. They have been analysing the personalities of two of the main characters: the beetle and the rat. They have been brainstorming ambitious synonyms to describe their personalities such as humble, arrogant, self-important and considerate. Year 5 have been practicing their inferencing skills and quoting from the text to justify how the rat and the beetle can be described with the previously listed words.

In Maths, Year 5 learned the difference between an improper fraction, a proper fraction and a mixed number. They learned how to convert a mixed number into an improper fraction and how to convert an improper fraction into a mixed number. They also learned how to compare fractions with the same numerator, denominator and how to use their knowledge of equivalent fractions to compare fractions with different denominators.

In Science, children learned that it is the size of an object (and not its mass) and how much air resistance acts against it which determines how fast or slowly an object falls to the ground. Children found out that if they dropped a feather and a bowling ball from the same height in a room with no air, both feather and bowling ball would hit the ground at the same time.

In RE, children studied a painting depicting the story of Christmas called the '4am Madonna'. Children identified the sacred objects featuring in that piece of art and discussed the artist intention: to depict Mary and a unique, yet ordinary mother.

In History, children discussed some of the technological, social and day to day life changes brought about by the industrial revolution during the Victorian Era.

In Computing, children learned about story boards and how they are used to plan filming. Children practiced filming using a story board.

In Art, children started their shadow boxes and cut the opening to their cardboard boxes.

We hope you have a lovely weekend!



Learning in Year 6 at Christ Church

Friday 24th November

English: In English this week, Year 6 continuing our English topic about letter writing. During our lessons this week, students have studied and investigated letters, specifically a letter from a World War 2 evacuee, named Maureen. Students have started to draft an evacuee letter, imagining they are writing home after being evacuated during World War 2, adding in events and details which children from World War 2 lived through such as being separated from their families, wearing a gas mask, and even moving into the country.

Mathematics: This week, students finishing our unit about multiplication and division. Students have been learning about long division, multi-step problems and worded problems involving multiplication and division. The class has been persistent and focused, learning all they can about this topic before we move onto our next topic, next week.

History: For History this week, Year 6 went on our school trip to Poppy Factory. The trip started with the class walking to Sloane Square before catching the District Line to Richmond. After arriving at Richmond, it was a quick walk to the factory. The students enjoyed their time at the Poppy Factory, learning about its past and its contributions to both the World War 1 and World War 2, and how the factory supports veteran soldiers and their families now. The class also participated in the creation of Poppies badges and Poppy Wreaths which the factory produces every year for Remembrance Day. The factory was extremely impressed with the number of poppies badges and wreaths created by the class. During our short visit, the class created 16 poppy wreaths and more than 150 poppy badges!



Spanish: In Spanish this week, Year 6 have been investigating Pablo Picasso. The class have been learning about Picasso's life and have focused on his famous 1937 painting called **Guernica**. Guernica is an oil painting depicting the German bombing of Guernica and is considered one of the most moving and powerful anti-war painting in history. Next week in their Spanish lesson, students will be tasked to redraw/recreate this artwork. Here is a picture of Guernica.



Once again, I want to thank all parents who volunteered their time to attend the Poppy Factory this week. You made this trip seamless and efficient, and the entire class is thankful for your support. Have a wonderful weekend.