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NEXT WEEK—VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

Thursday 21st December

Whole School

End Of Term, 1.30pm

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Reception Class:

Miss B

Year 1:

Willabee & Liv

Year 2:

Whole Class

Year 3:

Hannah & Isabella

Year 4:

Anastasia & Kamila

Year 5:

Carla & Axeline

Year 6:

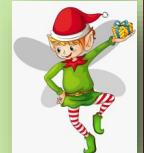
Maia & Violet

**School Term Ends Thursday 21st December at
1.30pm**
Please ensure your child is picked up from
school promptly. Many thanks.



CCHT ELF AUCTION ENDS AT 7PM TODAY!

[https://www.32auctions.com/
cchtelfauktion2023](https://www.32auctions.com/cchtelfauktion2023)



Please support our online auction by raising funds for playtime resources at CCHT, in particular our two Reception Classrooms, the Beach and Cadgoan Gardens playground. Your one-stop Christmas shop includes 100 Lots with treats such as bottles of Champagne, magnums of wine, Christmas treats, Rococo chocolate boxes, indulgent beauty gift boxes from Space NK, tickets to a Christmas pantomime or an Arsenal match at their home ground, plus much much more. The auction ends tonight at 7pm. Good Luck and thank you to everyone who has donated in all sorts of ways, we are very grateful to have already reached our target of £3,000, even before the auction ends.

Save the Children

COACH CHRISTMAS

WE'RE TAKING PART IN

SAVE THE CHILDREN'S

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

FR Registered with FUNDRAISING REGULATOR

Save the Children Fund is a charity registered in England & Wales (12049). Number 2023020 registered with the Charity Commission.



Thank you for sending your children to school wearing a Christmas/Festive jumper today, they look fantastic! Photos of our Christmas Lunch today, and Christmas Jumpers will be in next week's newsletter.

We are very grateful for your wonderful donations to the Save The Children Charity. If you haven't made a donation yet but would like to, please follow the link below or scan the QR code on the left.

[https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/
CJD230016498](https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/CJD230016498)



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Date: Whole school	Authorised Absence %	Unauthorised Attendance %	Attendance %
4-8 th December	3.12	0.15	96.73

Class	% Attendance	% Unauthorised	Number of lates
YR	96	0	5
Y1	96	0	0
Y2	98	0	3
Y3	99	0	1
Y4	95	0	8
Y5	95	1	6
Y6	98	0	11

How to Book External After School Clubs for the Spring Term:

Judo: -

Club Leader David Mesa Ray, Wednesday 1545 to 1700 in the school hall.

First lesson to start on Weds 10th January, last lesson 27th March
Please contact David directly to book and pay for a place, open for Y1 to Y6 only.

Mobile: 07496904642

Email: davidjudostyle@gmail.com

Chess:

Run by Chris Rice - an experienced coach and player who has taught in many schools throughout the London and Kent area. Currently working with former British Chess Champion and Grandmaster Chris Ward at Dulwich London Prep, alongside several other schools included in the Chess for Schools Community programme.

Starting on Monday 8th January, last lesson Monday 25th March

Starting on Tuesday 9th January, last lesson Tuesday 26th March

BOOK DIRECT, please email: name of student, parents name, contact no.email address, if child has any allergies to: -

chrisrice17@hotmail.com – Chris will get back to you to confirm whether your child has a space.

Ballet:

Club Leader Rachel Loxton, Monday 1530 to 1630 in the school hall.

First lesson to start on Monday 8th January, last lesson Monday 25th March.

Please contact Rachel directly to book and pay for a place, open for YR and Y1 only.

Mobile: 07494899773

Email: rachelloxtondance@gmail.com

Coding Club:

NEW CLUB – Run by Code Cadets - Wednesday 1530 to 1630 in the ICT suite.

First lesson to start on Wednesday 10th January.

Book via the email link sent by Mrs Palmer earlier in the week.

Spring Term 2024 Clubs on offer at Christ Church School

Dean Hemwood Sports Clubs am					
TIME	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
0800 to 0855	Advanced Football Y2/Y3/Y4 (Invite only) 08/01 to 25/03	Netball Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 09/01 to 26/03	Girls Football Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 10/01 to 27/03	Multisports Y1/Y2 11/01 to 28/03	Advanced Football Coaching Y4/Y5/Y6 (Invite only) 12/01 – 29/03
Dean Hemwood Sports Clubs pm					
1530 to 1630	Y2/Y3/Y4 Football 08/01 to 25/03	Y4/Y5/Y6 Multisports 09/01 to 26/03	YR/Y1 Football 10/01 to 27/03	Y2/Y3 Multisports 11/01 to 28/03	Y4/Y5/Y6 Football 12/01 to 22/03
OTHER CLUBS HELD THROUGHOUT THE WEEK					
TIME	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
0800 to 0855	Breakfast Club in the children's kitchen	Breakfast Club in the children's kitchen	Breakfast Club in the children's kitchen	Breakfast Club in the children's kitchen	Breakfast Club in the children's kitchen
0800 to 0855	Chess Club Y1 to Y6 (External – Chris Rice) 08/01 to 25/03	Chess Club Y1 to Y6 (External – Chris Rice) 09/01 to 26/03			
0810 to 0855				Choir Mr Dollard Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 11/01 to 28/03 (Excluding 8 th Feb)	Band Mr Dollard Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 12/01 to 29/03 (Excluding 9 th Feb)
0815 to 0855		Dance and Games Club YR to Y6 09/01 to 26/03			
1530 to 1630	Ballet Club YR and Y1 (External – Rachel Loxton) 08/01 to 25/03		Coding Club (External – Code-Cadets) 10/01 to 27/03	Drama Natalia Rowley YR to Y6 11/01 to 28/03	
1530 to 1800	After School Club run by Mrs Osman/Mrs Barrett Snack and play	After School Club run by Mrs Osman/Mrs Barrett Snack and play	After School Club run by Mrs Barrett Snack and play	After School Club run by Mrs Osman/Mrs Barrett Snack and play	
1530 to 1645	Colourbox Art Club Mrs Davies Y1/Y2/Y3 08/01 to 25/03				Colourbox Art Club Mrs Davies Y1 to Y6 12/01 to 22/03
1530 to 1645	Art Club Seung Woo Y1/Y2 08/01 to 25/03				Art Club Seung Woo YR 12/01 to 22/03
1530 to 1700			Judo (External – David Mesa-Ray) 10/01 and 27/03	Homework Club Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 and Enrichment Club Y4/Y5/Y6 11/01 to 28/03	

You can sign up and pay for any clubs run by the school on your school comms account under the payments tab – any clubs that say external will have the information on the email sent 14th Dec of who you need to contact.

N.B. - Once the club is fully booked it will no longer appear on the list of clubs on offer to your child.

After School Clubs will be available to book from **Monday 18th December at 0900** for the Spring Term. All clubs will start the 1st week back unless otherwise stated.

Please note that Dean has hanged some of his clubs around

My Day as a Head Teacher By Miss Hunt

"I had a really fantastic day as Head Teacher. There are so many different roles including dishing out lunch, blowing the whistle at break time to tell everyone to tidy up, testing pupils on their Times Tables, giving out pen licences to Year 1. I even managed to teach Reception Class some Maths, as they were learning their numbers up to 11. One of my favourite parts of the day was awarding Student of the Week certificates to my friends Sara and Rosie and also having a conversation about our school life with the Secretary of State for Education, Mrs Gillian Keegan, at Mrs Palmer's desk. I really loved my day!"



Christ Church Christingle Service Part II



Reverse Advent Calendars – Christmas 2023

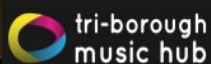
This December we would like continue with our different kind of advent calendar with the children. We are going to ask two children in each class to bring in an item (from the wish list below) each day from 1st December leading up to (and including) Wednesday 20th December. These items will then be donated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



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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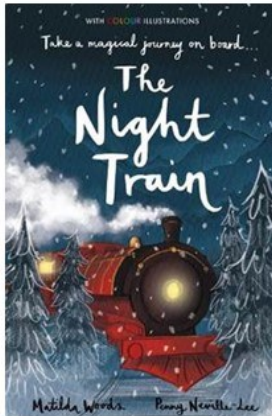


Recommended Read



The Night Train (ages 6-8 & up)

Author: Penny Neville-Lee Illustrator: Matilda Woods Publisher: Little Tiger



Some very special passengers embark on a magical journey aboard the Night Train. There's a hairy white yeti, Princess May with her pet dragon Ruby, Henri the ballet dancer and a scary-looking monster who is actually very friendly. Their destination is Sleepy Town, where each passenger will become the main character in a child's dream.

As the train hurtles along, Charles the guard checks everyone's ticket and the passengers share stories about their dreamworld adventures. They are all startled when the train suddenly shudders to a stop, as a large tree has fallen on the track. Charles is frantic: the train must arrive in Sleepy Town by midnight or the passengers will be too late to enter the dreams of their sleepers, but he can't move the obstacle by himself. The passengers must work together to get the train moving again, but do they have the skills?

This imaginative, wintery tale for newly confident readers highlights the importance of courage, resourcefulness and team work to overcome obstacles. The short chapters feature colourful, expressive illustrations, which are full of character and help to bring the story to life.

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}
Margot	Max	Elena	Dina	Cici

Christ Church

Year 2 _{NK}	Year 3 _{LL}	Year 4 _{EA}	Year 5 _{MB}	Year 6 _{NW}
Magnus	Amana	Annabelle	Chelsea	



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Holy Trinity

Year 1 _{CM}	Year 2 _{ZP}	Year 3 _{MQ}	Year 4 _{AJ}	Year 5 _{CP-B}	Year 6 _{JD}
Sophia	Esme	Ayra	Elena	Dina	

Christ Church

Year 1 _{OD}	Year 2 _{NK}	Year 3 _{LL}	Year 4 _{EA}	Year 5 _{MB}	Year 6 _{NW}
Eden	Noah	Amana	Annabelle		



**MAY THEIR CHRISTMAS BE
MERRY & BRIGHT**

CALLING ALL CHRISTMAS FARIES:
IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR WHEN WE ASK FOR
DONATIONS FROM ALL THOSE WHO ARE IN A
POSITION TO GIVE

ALL CHRISTMAS
SWEETS/CHOCOLATE/CRACKERS/CHRISTMAS
PUDDINGS/SIMILAR ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED



OUR BACK STORY

During lockdown, as a family (and with the backing of our Church, St Stephen's) we decided to collect a selection of knick-knacks that make Christmas 'Christmas' for all of those who were really struggling financially.

Unfortunately, each year the need has got greater and greater. Fortunately, each year the collections and donations have got larger, as has the support.

We collect on behalf of the Westminster Food Bank: The Trussell Trust and we now have several drop off points including a church and a school.

DROP OFF LOCATIONS & FINAL COLLECTIONS

Holy Trinity School (either office) 18/12/23	St Stephens Church, Rochester Row 15/12/23	Christchurch School (office) 18/12/23
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Thank you, thank you, thank you
-Merry Christmas-



OTHER USEFUL ITEMS

Practical & can be given as Christmas gifts:

- Children's warm gloves/hats/socks
- Baby blankets
- New children's books

POPULAR ITEMS

- Selection boxes
- Twiglets/Cheese biscuits
- Candy canes
- Hot chocolate bombs
- Mince pies/Christmas puddings

Please no nuts



THE BIG AMBITION

The Children's Commissioner for England has recently launched 'The Big Ambition' to hear directly from children, young people and parents across the country.

We want to hear from all children, in every part of the country and in every setting.

This is your chance to tell key policymakers what is important to you ahead of the general election. Take part now and ensure your needs are reflected in the decisions that will affect you in years to come.

Scan the QR code to take part



CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONER
www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition


Hester & Hester - Battersea-based Babysitters

My name is Tom. I'm an 18 year old A-level student at the Fulham Boys School and my younger sister Josephine is studying GCSEs at Lady Margaret School. We are both former Christ Church pupils.

We are reliable, responsible and really enjoy looking after children.

Our family home is in Battersea and one or other of us is often available for evening and weekend babysitting in the local area (SW11) but we're also happy to travel to SW10, SW3 and SW4. Our rate is £8ph and we'd be delighted to hear from you if you think one or other of us could be of assistance.

Mob: 07598 880 637
Email: Tomhester59@gmail.com
References available on request.





Friday 15th December

Reception Class Newsletter

This week we:

- Learnt how to read and write the codes for the sounds /qu/ (queen), /sh/ (shark) and /ch/ (church).
- Used the Christian festival of Christmas as a focus for our writing.
- Developed our cutting skills by making snowflakes. We then used them to decorate the classroom.
- Read and wrote CVC words. Some of us then put these into sentences.
- Learnt about the differences between story books and information books. We identified the main characters in story books and the settings.
- Read and wrote phase 2 and phase 3 tricky words.
- Enjoyed wearing our Christmas jumpers and having Christmas lunch with our shepherds.
- Took part in our first Nativity assembly. The children sang so beautifully - there was not a dry eye in the church!
- Learnt to use the greater than and less than symbols (< >) to compare numbers in Maths.

Next week, we will:

Revisit all previously taught codes and sounds in Alphabet Code
Recap key maths concepts during our Maths Meetings

We will finish school on 1.30 on Thursday 21st December.
There are NO after school clubs.

Have a lovely weekend ☺



Learning at Christ Church in Year 1

Friday 15th December 2023

In English this week, we finished off our 'Owl Babies' unit. We looked at Expanded Noun Phrases and how sentences with expanded noun phrases include two adjectives split by a comma which come before a noun. We then made our own sentences to describe the setting and story in The Owl Babies!

In Maths, we have been looking at 2D and 3D shapes and completed our shape assessment. Next week we will be revising place value and addition and subtraction to 10. Next term we will be looking at length and height as well as mass and volume.

For Alphabet Code this week we have been looking at the /er/ code and writing sentences using this code. Next term, we will move onto the /u/ code.

In Science, we have thought about how light travels in a straight line. We then sorted different materials into groups depending on how much light they let through. Objects that you can see completely through are called 'transparent' and objects that block light out are called 'opaque'. We made shadow puppets with our hands by using a torch!

In RE, we concluded our Christmas unit on the nativity story and we thought about all of the different people in the story and the important part that they played in the story.

In DT, we completed our sliders and levers and put them together to create a moving picture book in the style of 'The Enormous Turnip'.

An exciting week in Year 1!
Have an amazing Christmas!



Learning in Year 2 at Christ Church

Friday 15th December 2023

This week, Year 2 started their latest maths unit – exploring 2D and 3D shapes. They've identified the difference as well as finding out about properties of shapes and trying to remember the names of shapes learnt in Year 1. They have been able to recognise these shapes in different orientations and sizes, and know that rectangles, triangles, cuboids and pyramids are not always similar to each other.

They have continued to work hard in English lessons – writing detailed summaries of stories written by Jill Murphy. They've also been identifying apostrophes for possession and omission in SPAG – and finding examples when we've been reading together. Their next set of spellings will come home in January and next week, they will be tested on various words from throughout the term.

In RE, we have been learning about the light of Jesus and although our unit came to an end when taking part in our Christingle service – we have used the time to start reading The Bible together from the beginning. It's really helped us to understand how our school parable links to our virtues and helps us to be good people.

We have also been enjoying painting sunflowers, this time inspired by Van Gogh, which will be proudly displayed alongside the O'Keeffe poppies on display in the classroom.

Hope you have a lovely weekend
Miss Kennedy



Learning in Year 3 at Christ Church

In English we wrote 3 paragraphs about the mythical creature, the mallodile. We looked at how to describe it's diet, habitat and appearance. We wrote fantastic sentences such as *"mallodiles feast on sugary treats and small children. They prefer warmer climates and murky swamps. According to experts, mallodiles use their long tails to bounce around and fool their prey."*

In History we wrote about our trip last week to Fulham Palace. We wrapped up our Stone Age topic by discussing all that we have learnt about the three periods: paleolithic, mesolithic and neolithic. It has been a fascinating topic and we have all enjoyed learning about this time period.

In RE this week we discussed the birth of Jesus. We looked at different representations of the nativity scene in art and how artists interpreted this event. We noticed and observed that in most art, Jesus was at centre of the image and covered in golden light. The class reasoned this was because Jesus is the light of the world.

On Thursday we had our Christmas Assembly. Year 3 were the Kings and sung We Three Kings beautifully in Church. It was a fabulous production!

On Friday we had a great trip to the Science Musuem to learn more about the human digestive system. After a delicious roast lunch, we headed off to watch the It Takes Guts show. We learnt a lot and had a great time!



Learning in Year 4 at Christ Church

Friday 15th December

This week in English, we have watched the animation 'The Shoemaker' and thought carefully about how the two main characters advertised their products. We recounted the narrative and used co-ordinating conjunctions to improve the flow of our writing. We then looked at a range of prepositions. We know that prepositions show position or connection. They go with a noun or a pronoun. E.g. He sat on the chair. The lady gave it to her. We recapped that an adverb tells you how, when and where, such as 'quickly', 'now' and 'there'.

In Maths, we looked at multiplying numbers by 1 and 0, dividing a number by 1 and itself and then multiplying three numbers together. We thought about how the mathematical operations of multiplication and division are **associative**. This means that you can change the order of the numbers and the answer you get will be the same. E.g. $4 \times 3 \times 2 = 24$ is equal to $2 \times 3 \times 4 = 24$.

We continued to look at Computer Systems and Networks in Computing this week. We explored the difference between the Internet and the World Wide Web. We then thought about websites can be shared on the World Wide Web. We also learnt about the meaning of web addresses. The middle part is usually associated with the theme or organisation behind the website, and the end part indicates where a website originates from or the type of organisation, such as .com, .edu, or .co.uk.

Good questions to ask your child this week:

- What does the 'co.uk' part of a web address mean?
- What is the same and what is different about the equation $3 \times 8 \times 1 = 24$ and $3 \times 4 \times 2 = 24$?
- What is an example of an adverb?

Reminders:

- Dance takes place on Tuesdays this term.
- 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.



Learning at Christ Church Friday, 15th December 2023

Another learning filled week at Christ Church has come to an end. A huge congratulation to the whole of Year 5 for their beautiful performance in the school's Christmas Assembly. Year 5 spent a lot of time rehearsing and all their hard work and patience paid off.

In English, Year 5 have been learning how to write formal letters. They have also been learning how to craft arguments to convince the 2 friends in the Brazilian tale '*The Legend of the Mafumeira*' to stop cutting down trees. Finally, Year 5 have been learning about the different usages of commas and how to use commas appropriately in their writing.

In Maths, Year 5 learned how to subtract two mixed numbers from each other with and without breaking the whole. Breaking the whole requires children to transform both mixed numbers into improper fractions with the same denominator, then subtract the numerators from each other and finally simplify the result back into a mixed number.

In Science, children recorded the results of their experiment on water resistance last week using scientific diagrams. They also considered how these results compared with the predictions they made last week and used scientific vocabulary to explain that their boats sunk when the forces of gravity and upthrust became imbalanced.

In RE, children read about the story of the nativity in the Bible and considered what various elements such as the manger or the shepherds symbolise. For example, children suggested that the manger stands for Jesus being a role model of humility.

In Computing, children created storyboards which they will use to film a movie about our Science topic: forces.

In Art, children finished drawing their endangered animal on a piece of cardboard to add to their shadow boxes.

We hope you have a lovely weekend!



Learning in Year 6 at Christ Church

Friday 15th December

English: In English this week, Year 6 have continued our English unit about Balanced Arguments. This week students have explored in more depth the structure and features of a balanced argument focusing on the persuasive and factual elements of the paragraphs. The class then collaborated and produced a variety of points 'for' and 'against' the use of mobile phone at school and wrote practice paragraphs using the Point, Evidence and Explain structure.

Mathematics: This week, students continued our new maths unit, fractions. This week specifically, students have learnt about adding and subtracting fractions. Students are actively engaged and are enjoying the tasks of adding or subtracting fractions.

Christmas Concert: This week, Christmas in full swing, particularly around practicing for the Christmas Concert. Students had a range of roles from being a narrator to playing an instrument or even playing the role of the main protagonists.



Drama: Drama has taken hold in Year 6! Mr Tolley has been teaching the class about Shakespeare, specifically Macbeth. Over the past few weeks, students have been partnering up and learning the lines a particular character of their choice. A condition of choosing their characters, students must also attempt to memorise all their lines, which is easier said than done.



Shepherd's and Sheep: This week was the final Shepherd's and Sheep of 2023. This week, Year 6 met up in the reception classroom for another fun filled afternoon. This week the students made Snow globes. Shepards and Sheep paired up and made the designed and drew the images inside of the globes. All children who were involved did an amazing job.



Have a wonderful weekend and it is not long till Christmas! Mr. Williamson