



Christ Church School Newsletter 22nd March 2024

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NEXT WEEK—VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

Monday 25th March	Y6	Trip to the Natural History Museum
Wednesday 27th March	Whole School	Easter Assembly, Christ Church 2.30pm
Thursday 28th March	Whole School	End of Term, 1.30pm

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Reception Class:

Jana & Freddie L

Year 1:

Willabee & Albie

Year 2:

Whole Class

Year 3:

Rowan & Olivia

Year 4:

Lexi & Anna

Year 5:

Whole Class

Year 6:

Nia & Nariah

Dates for your Diary

A	Monday 15th April —Back to School 8.50am
P	Wednesday 17th April —YR Trip to Pizza Express
R	Tuesday 23rd April —Y5 Trip to Sikh Gurdwara
I	Monday 29th April —Y4 Trip to Tate Modern
L	Monday 29th April —Child Internet Safety Talk (for parents) 7pm, Holy Trinity, Cadogan Gardens
	Wednesday 1st May —Y3 Pop Up Restaurant 6.30pm

On Wednesday, our KS2 children took part in an Athletics afternoon in Battersea Park. It was fantastic—a great way to celebrate the speed, stamina and perseverance of those competing, as well as our first KS2 Federation sporting event! Thank you to Mr Henwood for organising the event and well done to everyone.



BOOK FAIR TOTAL

Thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair last week.

We raised a fantastic: **£664** which equates to **£266** in commission for books for our school!



Osmington Bay Meeting

For Year 5 Parents

Date:
Tuesday 23rd
April 2024

Time: 9am
Location:
School Hall



OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES
Federation Instagram
[@cchtfederation](https://www.instagram.com/cchtfederation)
School Kitchen Instagram
[@chandhtschoolkitchen](https://www.instagram.com/chandhtschoolkitchen)



School target 97%

Whole school attendance figure: 9%

Date: Whole school	Authorised Absence %	Unauthorised Attendance %	Attendance %
11 th -15 th March	2.27	0.05	97.68

Class	% Attendance	% Unauthorised	Number of lates
YR	98	0	4
Y1	96	0	2
Y2	99	0	0
Y3	94	0	2
Y4	100	0	6
Y5	97	0	9
Y6	100	0	2



Mrs Wordsmith (lazy/relaxing)	
YR	lethargic
Y1	drowsy
Y2	lounge
Y3	pampered
Y4	sluggish
Y5	soothing
Y6	unwind

NOMINATE OUR SCHOOL KITCHEN FOR A CATERING AWARD



PLACE YOUR VOTE HERE VIA THIS LINK:

https://www.jamieoliver.com/schoolfoodawards/apply/?utm_source=instagram&utm_medium=story&utm_campaign=gsfa&utm_content=inf&utm_term=qla

New Wishes added to our Amazon Wish List

We have added some exciting new wishes to our 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 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.

Thank you to everyone who has purchased something for our school from our Amazon Wish List.

CHECK OUT NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL MENU

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Secondary School Transfer

We thought you would be interested to see which Secondary Schools have offered places to our children so far this year. There are a wide range of offers as usual but I am concerned that parents are not looking carefully enough at the admission criteria for schools and just hope their child will get into places without looking how likely it is.



Please do come to either one of your Secondary Transfer meetings we are running next half term.

Holy Trinity - Wednesday 17th April at 9.30am
Christ Church - Thursday 18th April at 8.30am

State Schools	Independent Day Schools	Boarding Schools
Westminster City	Alleyns	Hurst Pier Point
Lady Margaret's School	Francis Holland	St. Swithun's School
Chelsea Academy	Godolphin & Latymer	Cheltenham Ladies College
Saint Thomas Moore Language College	Kensington Park	
Holland Park	Latymer Upper	
Fulham Cross Girls	More House	
Marylebone Girls	Putney High	
Fulham Boys' School	Queensgate	
Pimlico Academy	Thomas's	
Grey Coat Hospital	Wimbledon High	
Saint Cecilia's		
Hurlingham Academy		

A Message from Mrs. Hawkins regarding Internet Safety:

Gaming and Social Media

As you know, we have a no phone policy at school and have had for the last three years. This has had a positive effect on reducing the issues around cyberbullying and problems with phones being used inappropriately on journeys to and from school. It has also had the effect of encouraging more parents to drop off and collect their children rather than getting them to do that alone, which also causes lots of problems if they are not ready. What all my teachers and learning support assistants still report on is the worrying amount of time many children seem to be on screens at home, either gaming or using social media, which is not appropriate for their age. Many children seem to be going to bed late because they have been on a screen, and this is not good for them and certainly will not help their reading attainment if this is a substitute for reading a book. Just to remind you that **What's App age is 16 +**, and that makes so much sense as being able to navigate the problems around group chats is hard enough for adults, let alone primary school children. It will undoubtedly cause problems that children are not experienced enough to deal with. Children need to learn how to communicate and deal with friends face to face before they can do it virtually. Please think very carefully about how you are parenting your child and the access you give them to both gaming and social media.



We are running an Internet safety meeting with Childnet on Monday 29th April at 7pm in Cadogan Gardens. Please put it in your diary and come along.

We all need to think more about how our children are accessing screens at home.

Mrs Hawkins



Comic Relief Red Nose Day 2024

Thank you very much to everyone who generously donated to our Comic Relief Red Nose Day fundraiser. By sending your children to school wearing red to toe or fancy dress, buying the nose that grows and donating and buying cakes, you helped us raise an incredible: **£852.76** for Comic Relief.

This money will help support incredible projects and organisations that are making a real difference for people across the UK and around the world – this includes helping people experiencing homelessness, poor mental health and food poverty.



K&2 Athletics Afternoon In Battersea Park



Sienna and Mrs Davies went to the Saatchi Gallery for the opening of the Chelsea Young Art Competition. Her beautiful watercolour painting of a Chelsea street in Springtime was chosen out of 400 entries and she was awarded one of the exciting prizes. Her artwork will hang on public display in the Gallery for the next few weeks! Congratulations Sienna!



"I am so proud to have come highly commended in the Cadogan Art Competition— Neighbourhood Nature and I loved seeing it hanging in the Saatchi Gallery"



STEP-UP

STUDYING, TUTORING, EXAM PREP

WHAT: A COMPLETELY FREE REVISION WORKSHOP DURING THE EASTER HOLIDAYS WITH PROFESSIONAL TUTORS TO HELP OUR GCSE AND A LEVEL STUDENTS SUCCEED IN THEIR SUMMER EXAMS

WHEN:
APRIL
2-5



WHO:
AGES
15+

WHERE: THE HUT, 12 ALPHA PL, SW3 5SZ

THERE ARE LIMITED SPACES, SO CONTACT MADY AT MADYMCDANIEL@CHELSEAPARISH.ORG TO REGISTER OR WITH ANY QUESTIONS

LET'S GET STUDYING!

A little about the event: STEP-UP (Studying, Tutoring, Exam Prep) runs from April 2-5th and is a free week of supplemental education for students who are about to take their GCSE or A Level exams. It involves one-on-one tutoring, group tutoring, peer study, and independent study. The space will be quiet and relaxing, a dedicated space to study. The space will be open from 10 am to 5pm and students are free to come and go as they please. We have hired a number of lovely professional tutors, so students get the best of the best. A schedule of said tutors will be sent out to participants a few days before the event begins. We have some available spaces, so get in touch if your student would like to participate! Thank you so much.

Our needs:

1. We need a Spanish tutor! The one we hired has just cancelled, so if you are one or know of one, please get in touch.
2. If you have any spare stationary like note pads, pens, pencils, highlighters, even a calculator, we would love to take those off your hands.

Donations! We can't run events like these without help from people in our community, so if you are able to donate, please do so here:

Nat West

PCC of St. Lukes and Christ Church Chelsea

Sort code: 60 05 14

Account number: 29615410

Email Mady at madymcdaniel@chelseaparish.org or call the Parish Office at 020 7351 7365

Kensington & Chelsea Foodbank

If you can contribute some staples that Kensington and Chelsea Foodbank need for their larder, these basic supplies are a lifeline:

Tinned meats and fish that may be eaten cold – corned beef; chicken breast; (no pork please); tuna; mackerel

Many varieties of pasta sauce (again, not with ham, please)

All varieties of tinned vegetables

Cup-a-soups & tinned soup

Sunflower and Olive oil

Long-life Juices and Milks – including dairy-free

Tea Coffee Sugar

Toilet Paper and Sanitary products (pads preferred)

Personal toiletry products (deodorants; toothpaste/brushes; shampoo; shower gel; shaving materials)

Easter Treats



At present no clothes are required, thank you. Your gifts can be taken to Holy Trinity Church until Sunday 7 April after the Eucharist Service (12.30). As always, families needing help with food contributions should contact the K&C Foodbank.

If you prefer to make a financial donation, add HTSS in your reference so they know it comes from us.

Bank details: Kensington and Chelsea Foodbank

postal address: 240 Lancaster Road W11 4AH

sort code: 60-83-01

acct number: 20442606

or via Just Giving (site includes access to gift-aid)

As always, many thanks for your help and support to our community.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/kensingtonandchelseafoodbank>

REMINDER—WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL!

Children who suffer from nut allergies can develop mild or potentially life-threatening allergic reactions. If someone has a nut allergy it is not just eating nuts that can cause a reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts can trigger anaphylactic shock (which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties).

Some foods, especially after school snacks, need to be checked for their ingredients. Snacks for break time should be **FRUIT** or **VEGETABLES** only. **NO SWEETS** or **CHOCOLATE** allowed at school or after school clubs. Please can you check that you have no nut products in the lunch boxes or brought into the school:

- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Chocolate spreads
- Cereal bars
- Granola bars
- Cakes
- Biscuits / Cookies

This list is not exhaustive, so please check the packaging of products closely. We appreciate your help and respect with this and know that you understand the importance of this rule in place.



Nature Champions Exploring, protecting and enjoying the natural world

This Easter holiday **Holland Park Ecology Centre** is running our Nature Champions sessions for eight to 12 year-olds in partnership with Change4Life and the Department for Education. These drop-off sessions are outdoors in our woodland area and include a campfire cooked lunch. There are **FREE funded places** for those eligible for **Free School Meals** and charged places.



Join us in Holland Park for exciting activities including outdoor exploration and play, nature connection and wellbeing, food growing and campfire cooking. The sessions will be outdoors using the beautiful woodland site.

The programme will be different each day and you can choose which days to attend.

During these drop-off sessions we will provide a FREE healthy lunch and snacks.

To apply for a funded place, follow this link to complete a form:

[Nature Champions HAF funded place application form](#)

If families are not eligible for Free School Meals, they are able to book the charged places at £36 per child per day, follow this Eventbrite link: [Nature Champions on Eventbrite](#)

Time: 10.30am-3.00pm

Ages: 8 to 12 year-olds

Dates: Tuesday 2 to Friday 5 April

Please contact the Ecology Centre for more information:

Email: ecologycentre@rbkc.gov.uk

Phone: 020 7938 8186

Location: The Ecology Centre, Adventure Playground, Holland Park



TCS Mini London Marathon

SATURDAY 20th APRIL
FUNDRAISING FOR CCHT

TCS will give £10 to our school for every child under the age of 17 who completes their distance!

The TCS Mini London Marathon invites schools to bring their children and young people to run, jog, walk, or wheel one mile or 2.6K in the heart of the capital.

The event is free to enter, and what's more, our title partner, TCS, is giving schools £10 for every participant aged 17 or under who finishes the event! Participants cross the iconic TCS London Marathon Finish Line and receive a TCS Mini London Marathon medal.

The 2024 event will take place on 20 April, and we want as many children as possible to be able to take part, so there is a one-mile event for children in Reception to Year 7 and a 2.6K route for those in Years 4 to 12 who can go a bit further.



Money for schools!

For every participant aged 17 or under who finishes the TCS Mini London Marathon, our title partner TCS will donate £10 to their school to spend on PE or IT equipment. So, the more children who take part and get active, the more money your school will raise!

Since the London Marathon started in 1981, its participants have raised more than £1 billion for good causes – so why not make your TCS Mini London Marathon a fundraising event and raise money for your school or our charity partner [WWF-UK](https://www.wwf.org.uk).

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PARENT VOLUNTEERS TO ACCOMPANY THE CHILDREN IN THE TCS MINI MARATHON

CHRIST CHURCH HAS BEEN SELECTED TO TAKE PART IN THE TCS LONDON MARATHON, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE CHILDREN WE HAVE SPACE FOR 20 ADULTS TO JOIN THE 2.6KM START (WE NEED TO MEET THIS RATIO) AND 40 ADULT SPACES ARE REQUIRED FOR THE 1 MILE STARTING POINT.

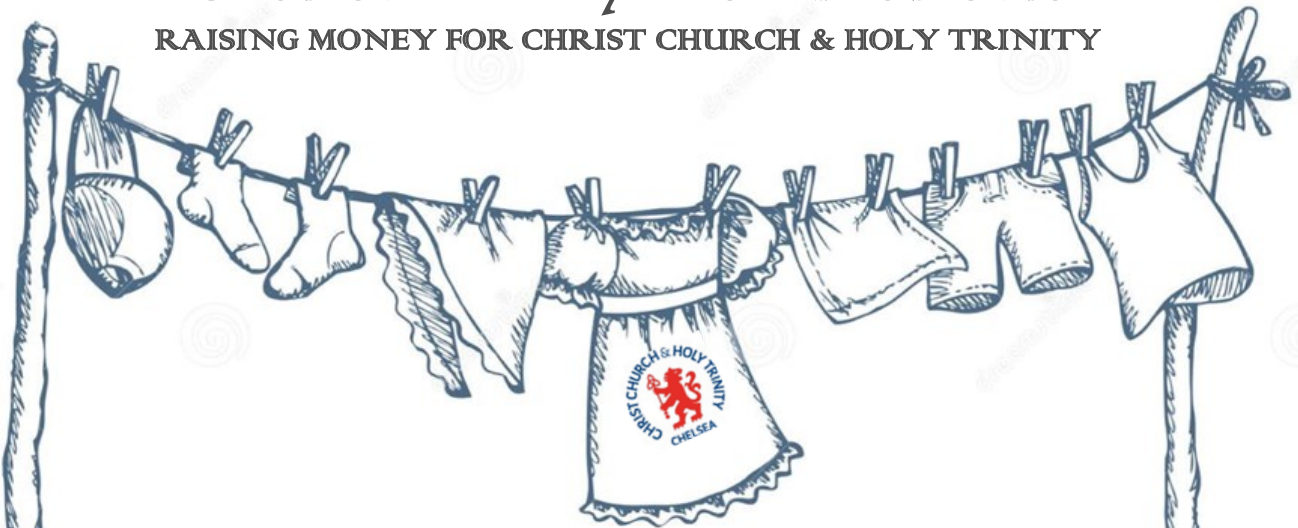
PLEASE EMAIL [KROSE@CCHT.RBKC.SCH.UK](mailto:krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk) TO PUT YOUR NAME DOWN.

Our participants' safety is our top priority. The event takes place on a closed, secure route (see maps above) with stewards and a dedicated Welfare Team on the course to make sure all children have a safe and enjoyable experience. All participants need to be escorted to a safe and secure 'drop off' zone at the Start Area.

Children in Year 3 or above on Event Day can complete the route on their own, while children in Reception to Year 2 need to be accompanied on the course, with a minimum ratio of one adult for every eight children. Participants will also need to be collected from a safe and secure zone by the Finish Line.

Chelsea Luxury Pre-Loved Sale

RAISING MONEY FOR CHRIST CHURCH & HOLY TRINITY



SATURDAY 18th MAY 2024
10:30am – 12:30pm
in Christ Church School Garden

Pre-loved luxury clothing; womenswear,
Menswear, childrenswear,
accessories, homeware, and much more.

Brands such as Temperley, Olivier London, Trotters, Hunter,
La Coqueta etc

To secure a stand please email krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk directly
Cash or Bank transfer on the day to purchase

T's & C's

- To secure a table please email Katie Rose directly: krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk this will go on a first come first served basis to parents of students from both schools
- There is a £50 non refundable deposit to secure a selling table (*it is possible to share tables with other parents to reduce cost but please ensure payment for the table is made by one of you and sort out split costs amongst yourselves*)
- If you require a hanging rail please mention to Katie Rose
- 20% of your profits are to be donated to the schools within 48 hours
- Entrance donation fee on the door - £2 minimum
- Each table holder is responsible for set up and set down, all items must be removed from the premises. Tables can be loaned by the school with prior arrangement.
- Each table holder should have their bank details printed ready to take bank transfers for payment if they so wish; alternatively, they can accept cash but they are to manage their own petty cash
- Tea, coffee and homemade baking stand with all proceeds directly going to the schools

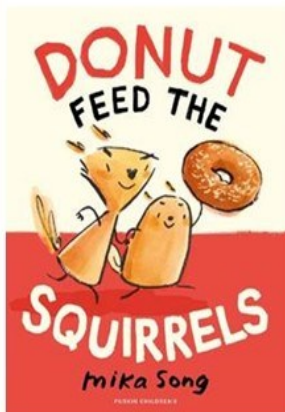


Recommended Read



Donut Feed the Squirrels (ages 6-8 & up)

Author: Mika Song Publisher: Pushkin Children's Books



When Noma and Belly spy a donut truck near to the forest, they desperately want a sweet, delicious donut for breakfast. Yet when the grumpy donut seller sprays the hungry squirrels with water instead of giving them what they want, Norma and Belly hatch a plan to get inside the donut van and help themselves – and add some chestnuts into the mix for extra yumminess.

Things are going very well until the donut machine explodes, and the donut seller catches Normal and Belly cake-handed. Fortunately, the squirrels escape – leaving the donut seller with a huge mess to clear up, and inspiration for a new donut flavour...

Mika Song's sweet, amusing and simple graphic novel about two naughty squirrels features large panels and brief text, meaning that this is a suitable read for younger and middle primary readers, especially any young reader who enjoys animal friendships and gentle humour. It's a quick read which is also arranged into chapters, which adds a layer of ease and accessibility to the reading process. Plus, there's donuts. What else could you really ask for?

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}
	Isaac	Elena		Astar

Christ Church

Year 2 _{NK}	Year 3 _{LL}	Year 4 _{EA}	Year 5 _{MB}	Year 6 _{NW}
Maisy	Sofia	Leo	Chelsea	Molly



Weekly Headlines



Holy Trinity

Year 1 _{CM}	Year 2 _{ZP}	Year 3 _{MQ}	Year 4 _{AJ}	Year 5 _{CP-B}	Year 6 _{JD}
Aurelia			Elena		

Christ Church

Year 1 _{OD}	Year 2 _{NK}	Year 3 _{LL}	Year 4 _{EA}	Year 5 _{MB}	Year 6 _{NW}
Celine	Selina	Amana			Molly

ST LUKE'S &
CHRIST CHURCH
CHELSEA

HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2024



Palm Sunday – 24 March

10.30am Sung Eucharist and
Procession with Donkey from
St Luke's to Christ Church
6.30pm Music and Readings for
Holy Week at St Luke's

Monday – 25 March

8.00am Eucharist at St Luke's
9.00pm Compline at St Luke's

Tuesday – 26 March

8.00am Eucharist at St Luke's
9.00pm Compline at St Luke's

Wednesday – 27 March

8.00am Eucharist at St Luke's
9.00pm Compline at St Luke's
with Choir

Maundy Thursday – 28 March

8.00pm Sung Eucharist with
Foot Washing and Vigil
at Christ Church

Good Friday – 29 March

10.00am Children's Service
at St Luke's
12.00pm-1.00pm Veneration of the Cross
at Christ Church
2.00pm-3.00pm Passion of Our Lord
at St Luke's

Holy Saturday – 30 March

8.00pm Vigil Service with
Lighting of the New Fire
at Christ Church

Easter Day – 31 March

8.00am Holy Communion
at St Luke's
10.30am Sung Eucharist
at St Luke's
11.00am Sung Eucharist
at Christ Church
3.00pm Choral Evensong
at St Luke's

Code Cadets




EASTER Coding CAMP

Block coding, Scratch, Python, HTML, and Lego Robotics. Minecraft coding and Unreal Engine for older kids.

Age 8-12+

[BOOK NOW](#)

Holy Trinity School, Chelsea
8 - 12 April
10AM - 3PM

8.30-10 am and 3-5 pm also available. Email us!



An active format with computer breaks and outdoor activities

[Click here to view more information on our camps!](#)



CHRIST CHURCH & HOLY TRINITY CHELSEA

www.codecadets.co.uk - 07872583565

BUILD CONFIDENCE | ACT | SING | LAUGH | MAKE FRIENDS | HAVE A BLAST!



B.O.S.S. BROADWAY EASTER CAMP!

JOIN OUR AWARD WINNING DRAMA SCHOOL!

MONDAY 8TH APRIL - FRIDAY 12TH APRIL





CHELSEA EARLSFIELD WIMBLEDON

HALF DAY: 09:30 - 12:30 / FULL DAY: 09:30 - 15:30

JOIN US FOR AN EPIC, ACTION-PACKED WEEK OF PERFORMING ARTS!
OUR BOSS ACTORS WILL SPEND THE WEEK WORKING TOWARDS AN ORIGINAL MUSICAL PRODUCTION INSPIRED BY OUR WEST END FAVOURITES. ON THE FINAL DAY, FAMILY AND FRIENDS WILL BE INVITED INTO A THEATRE TO WATCH THE SHOW WHICH WILL BE PROSEFFIOALLY RECORDED FOR YOU TO KEEP FOREVER!

BOSSACTINGSCHOOL.CO.UK/CAMPS 07388 103 198

Childcare Vouchers Accepted! Sibling & Referral Discounts




Inspired by the new movie musical 'WONKA' Easter Camps!

Working towards a professionally filmed final performance

Monday 8th - Thursday 11th April
Full Days: 9am - 3.20pm
Half Days: 9am - 1pm (1.30pm finish on the final day)

Age 5-11 Yrs

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

Ofsted Registered

A great opportunity for children to have fun and build in confidence through singing, drama and dance. Our videographer comes along on the final day to film the children performing their scenes and songs with props, costumes and excitement. Our experienced instructors ensure that children are cared for and learn in a safe and supportive environment. Children will be split into smaller, age-specific groups throughout the week to allow everyone a shine and be heard! Props and costumes are provided by us, children just need to bring a nut-bag packed lunch for each day of the camp with some music and water.



Little Voices
Drama & Singing Lessons of Distinction

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

£10 off for Little Voices Pupils!

Full Days: £252 per child. Half Days: £215 per child (Childcare vouchers accepted & sibling discount).
Options to pay over do not apply to this camp.

*Terms and conditions apply. You must apply via our application form to book onto a Little Voices camp. Please wait for Little Voices 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 day they can no longer attend. Anyone displaying coronavirus symptoms will be required not to come to our camp until they have met the self-isolation or testing requirements. All Little Voices courses will be extended (50% booked and 50% not) and will be held. Booking is on one way subject to application and consent for your child to be filmed for the final performance.

EASTER FOOTBALL CAMPS
WEEK 1: 2ND 5TH APRIL
WEEK 2: 8TH-12TH APRIL



PHONE: 07772547192
INSTAGRAM: DH_SPORTS_COACHING

Aged 4-14

Battersea Park: 9.45am - 2.45pm

FOOTBALL SKILLS MATCHES AWARDS

BOOK BEFORE 30/03/24 FOR DISCOUNT






Friday 22nd March

Reception Class Newsletter

This week we:

- Revisited the long sound /oo/ (boot), the short sound /oo/ (cook) and /oa/ (boat) in our Alphabet Code lessons.
- Used mathematical language to compare objects by their height and length. We found objects around the school which were taller or shorter than us. We painted our hands and compared who had the longest and shortest fingers. We also ordered the class by height.
- Read *The Great Race* by Emily Hiles. We learnt which Chinese zodiac animal we are and wrote sentences to describe our attributes. The children born in 2018 are the year of the dog, whilst the children born in 2019 are the year of the pig. We also took part in our very own great race around the beach and wrote a recount about it.
- Read the Easter story and learnt about the symbolism of the cross for Christians. It is a symbol of God's love. We went on a hunt to spot crosses around our school and covered our beach in chalk crosses. We also discussed the importance of saying sorry. Christians believe that God loves us and will forgive us if we apologise for our mistakes.
- Became toy-makers from the past and made toy rabbits from old socks. The children really impressed me with their perseverance 😊
- Made imaginary creatures using wool and glue. It was very tricky and required lots of concentration, but we had lots of fun and tried our best.

Next week, we will:

- Revisit the codes /ar/, /or/ and /ur/.
- Explore mass and capacity during our Maths lessons.

Have a fabulous weekend 😊



Learning at Christ Church in Year 1

Friday 22nd March 2024

In English, we have continued our unit on 'The Clock Tower'. We thought about the main character the little girl and wrote some descriptive sentences about the little girl's face, clothes, movement, job and feelings. We then explored the feelings of the characters in The Clock Tower and how the little girl must have felt going outside to darkness and the world frozen.

In Maths this week, we have been looking at length and height. We have measured things using centimetres and blocks.

For Alphabet Code this week we have been looking at the /w/ code and writing sentences using this code. Next week, we will practice our spelling using the different codes.

In Guided Reading we have been reading 'Zog' by Julia Donaldson. We have identified rhyming words and repeated phrases and thought carefully about why an author repeats certain sentences and words throughout a story.

In Science, we have continued looking at our unit on 'Sustainability' we have thought about how we can help and care for our planet. We thought about how we must stop using so much single use plastic for things and instead use reusable bags and water bottles.

Key words:

Translucent
Transparent
Opaque
Sequence
Retell

A great week in Year 1!

Have a peaceful weekend!



Learning in Year 2 at Christ Church

Friday 22nd March 2024

This week, Year 2 visited the National Gallery to explore Art further – using their super power of looking to think about texture, colour and to try and understand why people, and objects, have been depicted in a certain way. They behaved exceptionally well throughout the afternoon and represented the school brilliantly. I am very proud of them all.



Throughout the week, we have been reading lots of books and finished the Bible on Wednesday morning. We were able to link our school virtues to the stories in the Bible and have been able to visualise the bible timeline alongside learning about Easter in RE. Next week, Year 2 will be acting out the part of The Last Supper in our Easter Assembly.

Year 2 are writing their last extended piece of writing for the term and will be editing and publishing these stories next week. We have been reading 'The Dark' by Lemony Snicket, and have used this story to write our own versions of a character who overcomes a fear. As mentioned in their whole class special mentions, they are continuing to shine as mini authors. As a collective, they use such ambitious adjectives and verbs, interesting descriptive phrases and even some descriptive techniques like onomatopoeia and similes.

Have a lovely weekend
Miss Kennedy



Learning in Year 3 at Christ Church

This week Y3 continued with Spyfox in English. We looked at a range of newspaper articles to understand how witnesses are introduced, what questions are asked of them and how to use quotation marks correctly.



In Maths, we looked at perimeters and how to calculate them. Y3 went outside to measure the perimeter of the piazza with different measuring tools such as trundle wheels, measuring tapes and meter long rulers.

learning about

information. We have been using a program called J2Data to use the branching tool to organise information by criterion. For example, we sorted insects based on appearance, colour or ability ('Does it have legs?' 'Can it fly?'). It took critical thinking and creativity to sort all 15 insects into branches. Students can have a go at this free program at home.

In Computing we have been

KS2 athletics on Wednesday was a great day out! Y3 loved having the opportunity to compete. Swimming will recommence next week.



Learning in Year 4 at Christ Church

Friday 22nd March

This week in English, we continued to read 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter'. We revised using fronted adverbials at the beginning of a sentence. We wrote a short description of the full moon ceremony using exciting adjectives, fronted adverbials and subordinate clauses. We then used our green pen to review our writing and check our punctuation was accurate.

In Maths, we have been measuring and calculating the perimeter of rectilinear shapes. We explored the strategy of adding double the length to double the width to work out the perimeter of rectangles. We know that a rectilinear shape has straight lines that meet at right angles. We also learn that standard units are commonly used units of measurement, which help us measure length, height, weight, temperature, mass and more. These units are standardised, which means that everyone gets the same understanding of the size, weight and other properties of objects and things. We measured the rectilinear shapes in centimetres and metres.

In Science, we explored patterns by altering circuits and making comparative tests. Our goal was to test what happens to the brightness of one bulb when more batteries are used. We then wanted to see what happens to the brightness of each bulb when more bulbs are added. Year Four systematically planned their investigation before building their circuits. After finding out what happens to the brightness of the bulb(s) in each case, they drew a picture of their different circuits.

Year Four had a brilliant time at the athletics afternoon in Battersea Millennium Athletics Arena on Wednesday. They participated in the sprint and relay races, showing amazing resilience and motivation. Well done to the whole of Year Four for supporting all your friends at Christ Church and Holy Trinity!

Good questions to ask your child this week:

- In a circuit, what happens to the brightness of one bulb when more batteries are used?
- What units of measurement would you use to measure the length of a book?
- What might cause a break in a circuit?

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: sluggish - slow, lazy, or lifeless; how you feel when you get up too early in the morning



Learning in Year 5 at Christ Church Friday, 22nd March 2024

Another learning filled week at Christ Church has come to an end. Thank you to all the adults who came to Kew Gardens with us. We had a lovely time orienteering ourselves across the grounds and we had a lot of fun visiting attractions such as the giant treetop walkway and the log trail. This Wednesday, Year 5 also took part in an athletics tournament, in which the children showed great enthusiasm, team spirit and sportsmanship.

In English Year 5 wrote a poem about the four seasons inspired by Karl Nova. Children brainstormed important milestones that repeat themselves every year such as having to wrap up in thick coats in winter or celebrating the end of a school year in summer and incorporated these ideas in their poems. Children also carefully considered how to make their poems rhythm and used hyperboles, personifications and similes to create vivid descriptions.

In Reading, Year 5 have been reading chapter 8 and 9 of Kensuke's Kingdom and analysing the text, focusing on inferencing questions and summarising skills.

In Maths, Year 5 learned how to estimate the area of a shape using a scale and squared paper. Year 5 also started a new unit focusing on statistics. Year 5 learned how to interpret line graphs and how to record data in a line graph, making decisions about scale and labels.

In Science, Year 5 learned about the gestation period in mammal. The gestation period is the number of days the unborn baby spends in the mother's womb. Children learned that most of the time, the bigger the mammal, the longer its gestation period. Children compared and contrasted the gestation periods of a variety of mammals using a timeline and they created a bar graph to visualise how the size of an animal can impact the length of its gestation period.

In Computing, children learned how to use the 'and' and 'or' functions to refine searches in a database.

In Art, children learned about an artist called El Anatsui, a sculptor from Ghana who transforms simple, everyday materials into large-scale sculptures. Children learned that this artist uses materials such as discarded water bottle caps to touch upon broader topics such as climate change for example.



Learning in Year 6 at Christ Church

Friday 22nd March 2024

English: In English this week, we have continued our newly started English unit: Tales in a Historic Context. This week, the class has learnt about how to authors add intricate details to character to add extra depth to the overall story. These details can be simple adjectives, language of clothing or actions or even using metaphors to describe the character. The class used this knowledge to find evidence from the text about many characters from a text.

Maths: This week in Maths, we started our next unit of Decimals. The class has learnt about place value, decimals places and rounding (of tenths, hundredths, and thousandths) this week.

Swimming Trials and Athletics afternoon:

On Wednesday, Year 6 had an extremely sporty day. Ten students volunteered to attend swimming trials. These students needed to be confident and strong swimmers to participate. Congratulations to everyone who swam!

Later that day, KS2 from both Holy Trinity and Christ Church had an Athletics afternoon. Year 6 left at 12:30 and walked to Battersea Park Millennium Arena. The students participated in a range of running races (sprints and relays) competing against their peers. It was an enjoyable day of fun and fitness.



Trip to the Royal Courts of Justice: On Monday, Year 6 had a deeply engaging day at the Royal Courts of Justice in Temple. In preparation for the trip, students were assigned roles such as Judge, Juror, Solicitor, Witness, Barrister, Usher, or Clerk. We arrived at the Court house and escorted through the courts into an unused court room. The class had many questions about the court room and how they are used. After the questions, the class became actors and embodied the roles which they had been assigned. Some students wore black gowns and wigs when in their roles, while others had to read scripts and answer questions. All students played important roles to determine if the person was guilty of Cyberbullying. Using evidence and beyond reasonable doubt, the person was found guilty.



Have a great weekend.

Nick Williamson.