

# **Christ Church School** Newsletter 28th March 2024

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NEXT WEEK—VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT					
Monday 15th April	Whole School	Back to School 8.50am			
Wednesday 17th April	YR	Trip to Pizza Express			
Thursday 18th April	Y3, Y4 & Y5	Secondary Transfer Meeting, 9am School Hall			

Happy Easter to all our children, parents and friends!

Thank you so much for your cards, gifts and good wishes.

We look forward to seeing you all again at the start of the summer term on

> **Monday 15th April** at 8.50am on the Piazza.

#### **CLASS MEETINGS**

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You are invited to come along to our Summer Term class meeting. All meetings will start at 9.10am in your child's classroom. Come along and find out what your child will be learning next term.

#### **Reception Class:**

Tuesday 16th April

Year 1:

Wednesday 17th April

Year 2:

Thursday 18th April

Year 3:

Monday 22nd April

Year 4:

Wednesday 24th April

Year 5:

Tuesday 23rd April

Year 6:

Thursday 25th April



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# **Dates for your Diary**

Tuesday 23rd April—Y5 Trip to Sikh Gurdwara P

Monday 29th April—Y4 Trip to Tate Modern

Monday 29th April—Child Internet Safety Talk (for parents) R

7pm, Holy Trinity, Cadogan Gardens Ι

Wednesday 1st May—Y3 Pop Up Restaurant 6.30pm



# Mrs. Davies, our Deputy Head Teacher after Easter

Mrs. Davies has been a teacher at Christ Church since 2008 and Holy Trinity since

She has been Assistant Head for nearly three years and we are thrilled to announce that she will be the Deputy Head Teacher at both our Federation Schools from April.

How will her job be different?

Well it won't be much different day to day. For instance she will still teach lots of classes, be responsible for History, Geography, Art and Design Technology and help lead the school.

The difference is she will be the Head Teacher on site whenever Mrs. Palmer and I are not at school.

She will also have new stickers when she is rewarding excellent

We are so lucky to have such dedicated staff in our schools. Mrs. Hawkins

## **Osmington Bay Meeting** For Year 5 Parents

Date:

Tuesday 23rd April 2024

Time: 9am

Location: School Hall Combined with Class Meeting



#### **Attendance and Punctuality**

#### School target 97%

Whole school attendance figure: 97%

Date: Whole school	Authorised Absence %	Unauthorised Attendance %	Attendance %
18th-22nd March	3.25	0.05	96.70

Class	% Attendance	% Unauthorised	Number of lates
YR	98	0	3
Y1	97	0	1
Y2	99	0	0
Y3	95	0	0
Y4	100	0	2
Y5	96	0	1
Y6	91	0	3

## **Parent Coffee Mornings**

Parent Coffee Mornings will begin again in the Summer term, to give everyone the chance to gather together and catch up. We will be hosting them in the school garden for both Key Stages. Here are the dates:

Wednesday 1st May at 8.30am for KS1 (YR, Y1 & Y2) Thursday 2nd May at 8.30am for KS2 (Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6).

> Hope you can make it! We look forward to seeing you then!

# Mrs Wordsmith (hard-working)

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YR	improve
Y1	exhausted
Y2	backbreaking
Y3	gruelling
Y4	laborious
Y5	overwhelming
Y6	tedious

# 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=st ory&utm\_campaign=gsfa&utm\_content= inf&utm\_term=gla



New Wishes added to our Amazon Wish List



Mrs Hawkins and Mrs Davies 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.







# Please sponsor our children from CCHT who are taking part in the TCS Mini London Marathon!

We have almost 200 pupils taking part across the federation on either the one-mile routeor 2.6K route to the iconic TCS London Marathon finish line on The Mall.

TCS will give every child that completes the course (one-mile or 2.6K) £10 for their school towards PE or computer equipment.

We would like to maximise on this and raise additional funds.

Please follow the QR code to sponsor us!













Christ Church is Wave 13 for the 2.6km start and it starts at 10:30am. Christ Church is Wave 29 in the 1mile start and it begins at 13:30.

Please arrive at Horse Guards Parade approximately 30 minutes before.

We are still waiting on the event packs which will contain the running bibs for the participants and an Event Guide. Parents must complete the participant wristband for your child (that will be with the Bib) with emergency contact details before the race itself.

Any adults who are collecting participants will also need to use the tear off strip on the bib. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

I am still waiting on confirmation from adults joining – please assume if your child is taking part in the 1 mile start that one parent WILL need to accompany them.

Please share the sponsorship link with family and friends and good luck to all the participants who will no doubt be practicing over the holidays!

#### SPONSORSHIP LINK:

https://cchtrbkc.enthuse.com/cf/sponsor-ccht-in-the-tcs-mini-london-marathon---sat

# **School Chess Club**



#### My Background

My name is Rob Willmoth. I have played chess for 35 years. I am currently ranked in the top 100 players in the UK . I run chess coaching services, which provides professional chess coaching in schools.



#### What can Chess offer to Children.

- Potential for better performance in academic studies
- Enhanced problem solving
- Enhanced strategic thinking
- Enhanced self esteem
- •Friendly forum for making friends
- Healthy competition in a safe environment

#### Chess Club Lesson.

- Structured lesson plan by term ,from basic play to advanced play
- Regular grading system to assess performance.
- •Weekly coaching on demonstration board
- ·Graded weekly games against other children
- Weekly recap on knowledge learnt.



#### Sign up For Chess Club

#### .....ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY.....

Chess Club on Monday and Tuesday morning between 7.30am and 8.30am......

Cost:- £9 per lesson. Total cost for term is £81 for Monday( 9 lessons) and £90 for Tues ( 10 lessons)....

Online pay/ registration at https://www.chesscoachingservices.net/online-payments/school-club.......

Further Enquiries. Email:admin@chesscoachingservices.net Mobile 07956 297329





Summer Term 2024 Clubs on offer at Christ Church School

TIME	TIME Dean Henwood Sports Clubs am							
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
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0800 to 0855	Advanced Football	Netball	Girls Football	Multisports	Advanced Football			
	Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4	Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6	Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6	Y1/Y2	Coaching			
	(Invite only)	16/04 to 16/07	17/04 to 17/07	18/04 to 18/07	Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6			
	15/04 to 15/07				(Invite only)			
					19/04 to 12/07			
			ood Sports Clubs p					
	Y2/Y3/Y4	Y4/Y5/Y6	YR/Y1	Y2/Y3/Y4	Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6			
4500 - 4000	Football	Multisports	Football	Multisports	Football			
1530 to 1630	15/04 to 15/07	16/04 to 16/07	17/04 to 17/07	18/04 to 18/07	19/04 to 12/07			
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TIME	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
0800 to 0850	Breakfast Club in	Breakfast Club	Breakfast Club	Breakfast Club	Breakfast Club			
	children's kitchen	children's kitchen	children's kitchen	children's kitchen	children's kitchen			
0800 to 0855	Chess Club	Chess Club						
	Y1 to Y6	Y1 to Y6						
	(External)	(External)						
0810 to 0855	29/04 to 08/07	30/04 to 09/07		Choir	Band			
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				Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6	Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6			
				18/04 to 11/07	19/04 to 05/07			
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0815 to 0855		Dance and		(Exceeding Er ouncy				
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		YR to Y6						
		16/04 to 09/07						
1530 to 1630	Ballet Club		Coding Club	Drama				
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	(External - Rachel		Cadets)	18/04 to 11/07				
	Loxton)		17/04 to 10/07					
	16/04 to 09/07							
	Gardening Club							
	Sarah and Johnny							
	15/04 to 15/07							
1530 to 1800	After School Club	After School Club	After School Club	After School Club run				
	run by	run by Mrs	run by Mrs Barrett	by				
	Mrs Osman/Mrs	Osman/Mrs	Snack and play	Mrs Osman/Mrs				
	Barrett	Barrett		Barrett				
4800 4 1015	Snack and play	Snack and play		Snack and play	0.1.1.1.10.1			
1530 to 1645	Colourbox Art Club				Colourbox Art Club			
	Mrs Davies				Mrs Davies			
	Y1/Y2/Y3				Y1 to Y6			
4500 1- 4040	15/04 to 15/07				19/04 to 12/07			
1530 to 1640	Art Club				Art Club			
	Seung Woo				Seung Woo			
	Y1 to Y6 15/04 to 15/07				YR/Y1			
1530 to 1700	10/04 10 10/07		Judo	Homework Club	19/04 to 12/07			
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			Mesa-Ray)	and				
			Y1 to Y6	Enrichment Club				
			24/04 to 10/07	Y4/Y5/Y6				
				18/04 to 11/07				
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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 23rd March 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.

## **School Uniform**

Just a reminder that children should be wearing their summer uniform after the Easter holidays. (please see list opposite). Here is a link to our uniform provider where you can purchase new uniform if you need to <a href="https://www.stitchdesign.co.uk/">https://www.stitchdesign.co.uk/</a> When searching for the school on the Stitch Design website, please use the

Christ Church School Postcode SW3 4AA

Please remember navy blue coats only.









### **Girls Summer uniform consists of:**

A light blue checked summer dress (not navy please)

Navy blue or red socks or tights—white and any other colour socks are not uniform!

Navy blue or black shoes

A red cardigan

A school uniform coat or a navy blue duffle coat (no puffer jackets please)

School sun hat

Red, navy or - light blue and white checked (to match the Summer dress) hair accessories

# **Boys Summer uniform consists of:**

A white shirt long or short sleeved Navy blue trousers or long shorts The school tie

Navy blue socks - white socks are not uniform!

Navy blue or black shoes

A red v neck jumper (no tank tops please)
A school uniform coat or a navy blue duffle coat (no puffer jackets please)
School sun hat

# PE kit and Reception Class uniform:

Navy blue polo with school logo Navy blue shorts or joggers with school logo Navy blue or red socks - white socks are not

Navy blue or black trainers A school uniform coat or a navy blue duffle coat (no puffer jackets please) School sun hat

# 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 What all my teachers and learning support assistants still report on is the worrying an



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

# 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: <a href="Nature Champions on Eventbrite">Nature Champions on Eventbrite</a>

**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: ecology.centre@rbkc.gov.uk

Phone: 020 7938 8186n: The Ecology Centre, Adventure Playground, Holland Park

# 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 2-5<sup>th</sup> and is a free week of supplemental education for students who are about to take their GCSE or A Level exams. It involves one-onone 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.

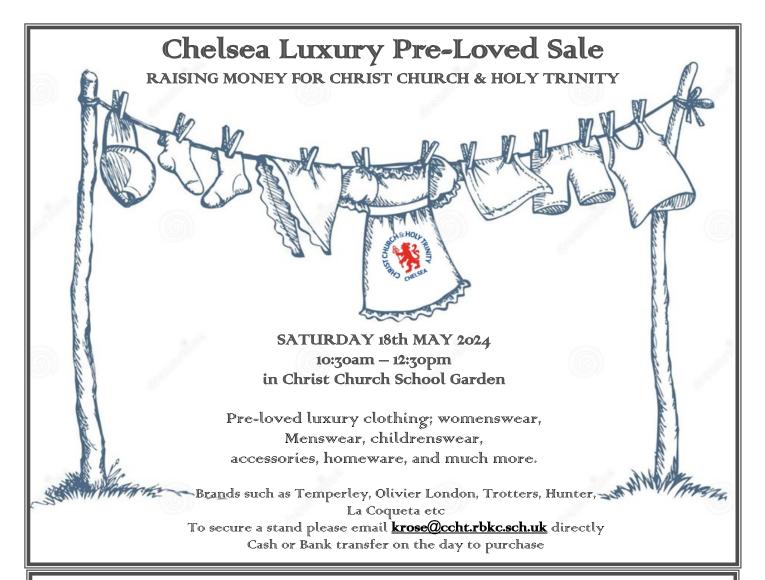
**Bank details:** Kensington and Chelsea Foodbank **postal address:** 240 Lancaster Road W11 4AH

**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. <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/kensingtonandchelseafoodbank">https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/kensingtonandchelseafoodbank</a>





#### T's & C's

- To secure a table please email Katie Rose directly: <a href="krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk">krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk</a> 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  $\pounds 2$  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

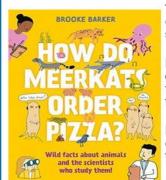


# Recommended Read



# How Do Meerkats Order Pizza? (ages 6-8 & up)

Author: Brooke Barker Publisher: Faber



This fascinating, highly-illustrated non-fiction book explores the work of 17 scientists from around the world, each of whom has focused their research on a specific animal or region.

Readers are presented with a wealth of fun facts about a range of animals, from dogs and roosters to humpback whales and Antarctic midges. They will also find out about some of the ingenious methods scientists have devised to study their subjects.

For example, when researchers wore a series of masks while interacting with crows, they learned that the birds could remember human faces and were able to communicate details about these humans to other crows.

And when scientists discovered that jaguars love the smell of certain perfumes, they sprayed the scent near hidden cameras, which enabled them to capture rare images of the elusive cats. The scientists hope that by learning more about jaguar behaviour, they'll be able to better protect these endangered creatures.

Each glossy page is packed full of colourful, amusing illustrations, while a useful glossary at the end explains some key concepts and terminology. A fabulous book for budding scientists and anyone with an interest in animals.

### TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS!



# Weekly Headlines



# Individual Class Leaderboards

# Holy Trinity

Year 2 zp	Year 3 ma	Year 4 AJ	<b>Year 5</b> <i>c</i> p-b	Year 6 JD			
Benjamin	Isaac	Enerel		Astar			
Christ Church							

#### Christ Church

Year 2 NK Year 3 LL		Year 4 EA	Year 5 мв	Year 6 NW
Josefine	Sofia	Leo	Chelsea	



# Weekly Headlines



# Holy Trinity

Year 1 cm	Year 2 zp	Year 3 ma	Year 4 aj	Year 5 cp-B	Year 6 JD	
Aurelia			Elena			

#### Christ Church

Year 1 ob	Year 2 NK	Year 3 LL	Year 4 EA	Year 5 MB	Year 6 NW
Celine		Amana	Beatrice		

# 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

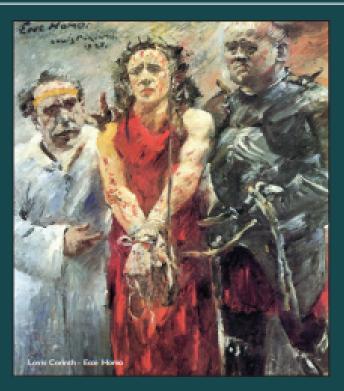
8.00am Eucharist at St Luke's 9.00pm Compline at St Luke's

# 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











## Friday 28th March

# Reception Class Newsletter

#### This week we:

- Revisited the sounds /ur/ (surf), /or/ (cork) and /ar/ (shark) in our Alphabet Code lessons.
- Designed a toy from the future.
- Wrote a fact file about things we might see in spring.
- Were introduced to the greater than and less than symbols in Maths. We used them to compare quantities and numerals. For example: 7 > 5. When there is an equal amount, we can write it like this: 7 = 7
- Explored capacity in Maths. We set up a potions lab and ordered the glasses from full to empty.
- Discussed the resurrection of Jesus in the Easter story. We then ordered the events and verbally retold it to an adult.
- Enjoyed an Easter egg hunt on the beach.
- Sat beautifully during our Easter Assembly. We were very proud
  of the Easter garden that we made in class and enjoyed sharing it
  during the service.
- Decorated eggs with colourful patterns.

A big well done goes to the children for all their amazing learning this term. They have made incredible progress and I am so proud of them all.

Have a fabulous holiday @



# Learning at Christ Church in Year 1

# Friday 28th March 2024

In English, we have finished our unit on 'The Clock Tower'. We wrote and retold the middle and end of the story including nouns, adjectives, verbs, expanded noun phrases and all the correct punctuation. We have then been looking at our creative writing skills and planning and writing our own unique stories. Some stories created were wonderful and very extremely special.

In Maths, we have been looking at length and height and using rules to measure different items around our classroom. We then went outside to measure different items outside using our rulers in centimetres.

In Guided Reading, we have been reading 'Zog' by Julia Donaldson. We finished our story and thought about the different emotions of 'Zog' and the Princess throughout the story.

In Science, we have been looking at sustainability and how we can care for the planet, this week we thought of a whole school initiative we could undertake to look after the planet all together.

In Alphabet Code, we have been looking at the /h/ code. We have now finished all of our codes so next term will start revising all of the codes, to consolidate our learning.

In RE, we have been learning all about the Easter Story this term, in particular Palm Sunday. Where Jesus arrived back into Jerusalem and was welcomed by many crowns wavy palm leaves at him as a sign of respect. We then acted out this part of the story as part of our Easter Service on Wednesday. We all did so well!

A great week in Year 1!



# Learning in Year 2 at Christ Church

# Thursday 28th March 2024

A massive well done to Year 2 for publishing yet another piece of extended writing – this time, writing a story about a character who overcomes a fear. We used Lemony Snicket's 'The Dark' to inspire the structure of this story and have thought about using coordinating and subordinating conjunctions. They've worked incredibly hard throughout the term to add more specific details to their writing to make it more interesting, and exciting, to read. We have read the entire Children's Bible and a plethora of other books together using the texts to develop our inference skills. We will focus on this more next term with our new class books!

The Easter homework will once again be a reading challenge — can you read EVERY day and record it in your reading record?! This doesn't have to be for long, it could be for 10 minutes or 10 pages. You could listen to an audio book or listen to an adult read to you but you must record it clearly so it can be celebrated when we get back. I would also like you to practise your 2, 5 and 10 x table and for those who know them already, practise the division facts for these times tables. I will be holding a mini test first week back!

Next term, in Maths, we will be looking at temperature, fractions, time, statistics, position and direction. This term, Miss Crawford focused on length, height and mass. Year 2 have been great at visualising these amounts and using comparative skills to solve problems.

Thank you to all the parents who joined us this term to discuss their jobs which really helped our PSHE learning, and to everyone who joined us on trips. We have more lined up for next term.

Wishing you a very happy Easter holidays – on and off the slopes!

Best wishes,

Miss Kennedy



# Learning in Year 3 at Christ Church

What a fantastic Spring 2 we have had! We have squeezed a lot of learning in. Y3 have also been incredibly lucky to have had Miss Kyle join us these last few weeks. We wish her all the best on her teaching journey!

In English we finished our newspaper articles on Spyfox. We all wrote fantastic reports about Dr Hammer's evil plan. Y3 included quotes from witnesses and wrote like true investigative reporters!

In Maths we have been learning how to problem solve and reason. We have been focusing on learning to identify the key words that will help us understand the problem and learning to show working out. Y3 also had a chance to come up with their own problem-solving questions (some a little too tricky for even Miss Lang!)

In Geography, the students presented their research projects to the class. Y3 have done such a fantastic job at creating posters on climate zones around the world. If you have time, come and view the posters that will be on display next term near the Y3 classroom.

Lastly, we ended the week in Y3 reflecting on our year so far and what's to come. We wrote some goals for Summer term and how we are going to work towards these goals. Everyone should be very proud of their progress, and I can't wait to see what amazing things we all achieve next term.

Have a relaxing and safe break!



#### Learning in Year 4 at Christ Church

### Thursday 28th March

In Maths, we began our unit on fractions. We learnt how a fraction is an equal part of a whole. We used pictorial representations to show different fractions including tens frames, bar models and number lines.

Year Four spent a full day working on their DT unit to design and make torches. They applied their scientific knowledge on electrical circuits to build a series circuit using electrical components. Then, they wrote a questionnaire for the client to find out what specific criteria their product must meet. They drew and crafted the outside of their torch using cardboard cylinders and then used aluminium foil and a cardboard cone to help the light from the lightbulb shine in a focussed way.



Year Four worked collaboratively to create their performance about the stations of the Cross for the whole school Ester assembly. They used their amazing drama skills to act out Jesus' walk to Calvary.

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

- Why do we evaluate products we make in DT?
- What day of the week did Jesus' crucifixion take place?
- What is an equivalent fraction of \(\frac{1}{4}\)?

#### Reminders:

- Homework is sent home on Thursdays.
- Please bring Reading Records and Homework books in on <u>Tuesdays</u>.
- Homework club takes place on Thursdays.
- P.E. is on Monday and <u>swimming is starting on Wednesdays</u>. Please send your child in wearing their P.E. uniform and trainers.
- Have a blessed Easter! I look forward to seeing everyone in Summer Term. 💿

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 Thursday, 28th March 2024

Another learning filled week at Christ Church has come to an end. A big well done to Year 5 for their amazing singing and performance during our Easter Assembly this Wednesday. Year 5 have been working hard up until the very end of the Spring term and everybody is looking forward to the Summer term which will be filled with lots of new learning and exciting activities.

In English, Year 5 analysed one of Karl Nova's poem called Misinformation. They interpreted the messages Karl Nova might be trying to communicate through his poem and discussed vocabulary choices and figures of speech. Year 5 also learned about Haikus. They learned that a Haiku is made up of 3 verses of 5, 7 and 5 syllables and usually talk about nature. Year 5 wrote their own Haikus on a variety of topics such as technological progress, climate change, endangered animals and the Easter holidays.

In Reading, Year 5 have finished Kensuke's Kingdom and reflected on Michael Morpurgo's ability to blend reality and fiction.

In Maths, Year 5 learned how to interpret line graphs and tables. Children learned that line graphs are used to show variation over time and that a two lined line graph can be used to compare two sets of data against each other.

In Science, Year 5 learned about the correlation between an animal's gestation period and its lifespan. Year 5 created a scatter graph to show that usually, the longer an animal's gestation period, the longer it will live for. However, Year 5 spotted some anomalies, for example, horses have a longer gestation period than humans but live on average 40 years less than them.

In Geography, Year 5 learned about the difference between human geography (the study of manmade features such as bridges) and physical geography (the study of natural features such as rivers and mountains). Children also learned about the rocks and fossils that can be found along the Jurassic Coast.

We hope you have a lovely Easter holiday and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday, 15th April 2024!



## Learning in Year 6 at Christ Church Thursday 28th March 2024

English: In English this week, Year Six focused on the use of parenthesis - brackets, commas, and dashes - to improve the flow of their English writing. The use of parenthesise is to add additional information (afterthoughts) to their writing. The class also completed a short lesson on the use of the semi-colons and colons as it is a method of joining two related, independent clauses together or used when listing objects in texts.

Maths: This week in Maths, we finished our unit on Decimals. It was a short unit only lasting five lessons. This week the class learnt about adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing decimals. We finished off the unit with a maths assessment before we start our new unit of Percentages next term.

Easter Assembly: On Wednesday Christ Church had its annual Easter Assembly. Year Six had a key role in the assembly as most students narrated throughout the assembly. The few students who did not have a narration role, played an acting role in the Year Six section of the assembly: Jesus has Risen. Students who were acting played the roles of either taking Jesus's body down from the cross and covering it in a white linen cloth or act out the two Mary's and the Angel after Jesus's resurrection.



Shepherds and Sheep - Easter Fun: On Thursday, after break, Reception and Mrs Hawkins conducted a secret activity for Year Six. They both thought it would be fun to conduct and Easter Egg Hunt at school. It took place outside in the playground where the eggs had been secretly and selectively hidden throughout the area. Year Six had a blast (despite the weather) hunting down the eggs with Reception and everyone enjoyed some delicious chocolate Easter eggs to celebrate.



Have a great holiday, Nick Williamson.