

# OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



## Dear Families,

As we approach the end of the half term it has been great to see how well all the children have returned and adapted to their new classes, routines and systems in place. We have had lots of fantastic events taking place for our families and children across the half term with Bikeability for our Y4s, girls and boys football tournaments, a variety of after school clubs, Reading Eggs/Express parent meetings and of course our wonderful Harvest Festival at the Elim Church!

It is now a time of coughs and colds and keeping up the routines of hand-washing will help to minimise the spread of these viruses as well as COVID-19. We are pleased that so many of our families are adhering to the 'hands, face and space' protocols outside the school and urge you to continue to do so. As we approach the Winter months it is important that the children are dressed appropriately with winter coats, hats and gloves.

There are a few staffing changes in the next few months as Mrs Rosen will be starting her maternity leave, ready for the birth of her second child. Mr Cunningham will be leaving us to become a Headteacher at another school, starting in January. I'm sure you will all join me in congratulating him on a well deserved appointment, we wish him the best of luck with his new venture! Mrs Gilbert will also be leaving us to start a new career as an assistant educational psychologist. We would like to thank them both for their wonderful contributions during their time with us at Christ Church. They will be missed.



### **Parents Evening**

This year we will be returning to face-to-face parents evening. KS1/EYFS meetings will be on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October and KS2 will be on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October. We would request that there are a maximum of 2 adults and no children when attending the meetings. Please ensure that you are ready at your allocated time slot as timings will need to be closely adhered to, if you would prefer a telephone appointment instead please contact the office before the day of the meeting with your preferred contact number. If you feel you need a further conversation with the class teacher after this meeting then please contact the office to arrange this for a mutually convenient time.

### **Twitter**

Please check out our Twitter page to see some of the wonderful work the children are doing at school and keeping up to date with what is happening! [@CChurchPrimary](#)

Kind regards,



Mr L Archer



# Life at Christ Church

## Bikeability



Y4 & 5 completed the first part of their 'Bikeability' training this half term. Learning how to maintain their bikes as well as how to ride safely.

Vlad from C3/4 said 'It was good because I like to ride my bike every single day. It was fun to ride on the playground. I learned how to check the air, the brakes and the chain.'



## Football tournaments



'When we went to the football tournament, we played 3 matches. We drew two of them 0-0 and lost the other. The tournament was hosted at Robert Sutton Catholic High School. We had lots and lots of fun. It was an amazing opportunity for all of us, we all had a great time and we made sure we thanked our parents for taking us!' – Erika Y6



'On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October, Christ Church Primary School played in a football tournament at Robert Sutton. The matches were a thrilling experience and we had a great opportunity. I was lucky enough to be chosen as captain and had great fun playing in the matches. We won two matches and drew two, the thrill of running down the pitch with the ball dribbling skilfully between my feet gave me goosebumps! The whole team had loads of fun and I think more people should practise so they can be chosen in the future.' – Muhib Y6

## Art Ambassadors & School councillors

The votes have been cast and the results are in for our new school councillors who will be helping to shape the school over the coming year. We have also got some brand new art ambassadors to promote the arts across the school and our local community. Congratulations to all of our successful pupils, we look forward to lots of exciting contributions throughout the year!



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## Harvest Festival



Our EYFS and KS1 children put on a fantastic harvest performance on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at the Elim Church with the help of 'Pastor Chris'. We celebrated with some harvest songs as well as some facts and information about Harvest around the World. There were some super confident speakers, fabulous singing and wonderful support from our families!



## Food bank donations



Thank you to all of our families who donated food and toiletries for our local food bank. Our school council helped them to load it ready for the Van.

'Today the Salvation Army came to our school because we bought in food for the less fortunate. I helped Paul and Ron load the food into the crates with all of the school council.' – Sydney Y5 school councillor.



# Calendar Dates



## **Parents Evenings:**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October - EYFS/KS1- 3.30-7pm

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October -EYFS/KS1- 3.30-6pm

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October- KS2- 3.30-7pm

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – KS2 - 3.30-6pm

**Half term:** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October- Friday 28<sup>th</sup>  
October

**Inset Day (school closed):**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November

**Term ends:** Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December



# THANKS

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