

### Dear Families,

It's great to see so many parents and carers being able to come into school and join us for a host of events this half term!

There have been lots of exciting and fun learning activities already packed into, what we're sure will feel like a short space of time, including our Daddy's stay and play in Nursery, New starters induction evening, Y4 violin concert, King Charles III coronation celebrations and a number of class assemblies!

Our Summer Fayre will be taking place on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July from 2pm, we would love to see as many parents/carers as possible as coming to support the event and enjoy the many activities/ stalls we will have on offer, including our Y6 pupils stalls. Also make sure you look out for our Christ Church Art gallery, displaying some of the wonderful artwork children have been doing across the school!

In the last few weeks we still have a few events to look forward to with Sports Days (EYFS/KS1 Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July afternoon 1.30pm), (KS2 Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July afternoon 1.30pm) and Nursery (Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July). We also have our Y6 performances taking place (Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July) as well as our Year 6 children preparing for the next chapter in their educational journey, with many children having induction activities with their new high schools.

We will be welcoming some new members of staff with Mrs Hussain, Ms Knopik and Ms Hawkins joining our fantastic team of teaching staff. We are delighted to have them on board and know they will be a great asset to our Christ Church family.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this year, wish you all a wonderful Summer break!

#### Mr L Archer





### **School routines**

In September we will be changing our school routines for coming into school in the morning, this will ensure that children will have more time to settle into class and be ready for their learning.

**KS2/KS1-School gates will open at 8.35am** and children will walk straight to their classrooms, rather than lining up on the playground, ready for registration at 8.45am. Please ensure your child is escorted to the school gate by no later than 8.40am. Gates will be closed at 8.50am.

End of the day routines will remain the same with school finishing at 3.15pm and children lining up on the playground shortly after this.

**Reception classes** to line up (as before) at the side gate ready for 8.45am, they will then line up outside the Reception classes and be greeted by their class teacher before moving into the classroom.

End of the day routines will remain the same with children finishing at 3.10pm and lining up under the shelter and parents /carers collecting from the side gate (as before).



#### Shakespeare week

This year's Shakespeare Week was celebrated as a whole school with a focus on *The Tempest* which tells the tale of a magical shipwreck. We launched the week by watching a production of The Tempest which the children thoroughly enjoyed. We then spent the week being inspired by Shakespeare's work and learning about his life as well as the story. In English, we took part in some drama and created some fabulous work from messages in a bottle to newspaper articles and atmospheric setting descriptions. In reading, we learned about the language that Shakespeare invented; did you know that he created 1700 of the words and phrases that we still use today? We also took part in activities around the Arts and considered different job opportunities in theatre including set design, costume design and being a director. It was a fantastic week and the children produced some amazing work. We can't wait to bring

back Shakespeare Week even bigger and better next year! - Miss Hill













Our trip to the violin concert was extremely interesting. First, we went on a one-hour coach ride to Stafford bringing our violins with us. When we arrived, we went to the storage place then went to the massive performance room and took our violins to our seats. We were surrounded by multiple year groups such as year ones all the way to year fives with a variety of different musical instruments. We heard recorders, glockenspiels, ukeleles and even guitars! My favourite part was the guitars because I liked the music they played. As well as playing our instruments, we also did some singing and we used sign language. Finally, we said goodbye to Mrs Edwards. - Layla



#### **Assemblies**

We have had a few class assemblies over the last few weeks and it's been great to see how well all of the children perform, developing their confidence and showcasing some of the wonderful things they have been doing at school.

#### **RM Class Assembly**

'I was happy because my mummy and daddy came and I liked showing them my pictures.'-Kaprice

I felt good, I liked the assembly, it was fun to say my words. I liked to speak into the microphone' – Alishba

'I have so much happiness. I liked to do the hungry caterpillar song!' -Aaron







#### **H4 Class Assembly**

In our class assembly, we talked about rivers and the water cycle. A river starts at its source. There are many sources of a river such as a bog or a spring. Most sources of a river start up high in the mountains. We also talked about our money pouches in DT and using running, blanket and over stitching. My favourite part was when we sang the water cycle song. We also performed a song from our violin concert for parents to see and talked about our learning in English and Shakespeare Week.

It was fun to get to perform as a class again. - Ahmed







#### P2 Class Assembly

In our class assembly, we told everyone what we have been learning about in our topic on 'The Great Fire of London.' We showed our artwork, we shared the facts and research we had found out and we sang a song that helped us to remember the main events. We then read out a poem all about fire.

'I really enjoyed singing all the songs and dressing up as Samuel Peyps' – Kacper

'It was really good to see my mum watching me reading my lines out in the assembly.' Izaan







#### **D3/4 Class Assembly**





For our class assembly, we had to tell everyone what we have been learning. We spoke about what we have done in English, Geography, Music, and Shakespeare week. Although the laptop wasn't working, Mr Drinkwater said that we did really well and is very proud of us. I think we did really well. MH



### **Scooterbility**





Maks - I enjoyed learning how to ride the scooter. It was so much fun going fast on the scooter and learning about being safe when you cross the road.

Thomas - I really liked going for a ride on the scooters around school. I felt happy because Andy, Neil, Clare and Steve were teaching me how to cross the road safely around cars. We learnt that when we meet somebody on our scooters, we have to step off the scooter and say hello to them.







So to a fond farewell to our fantastic Year 6. Over the year we have had some ups and downs but you have been truly amazing.

We wish each and every one of you success in your many different High Schools. We know you will continue to be wonderful students. You have been fun, resilient and hardworking at home and at school. We will miss you all.

Thank you to all the staff that have helped you on your way and to our families for the wonderful support they give to us all. We hope you remember to:

'Love to learn and learn to love'

Good luck in all you do!



### Calendar dates

#### **Summer Term 2023**

Half term: Monday 29 May - Friday 2 June

**Summer Fayre** - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July

Sports Day KS1/EYFS- Tuesday 11th July

Sports Day KS2 –Wednesday 12th July

Sports Day Nursery - Tuesday 4th July

LAST DAY children in school – Friday 21st

July

Inset Days (school closed): Monday 24th

July & Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July

Holiday: Wednesday 26th July - Friday 1st

September

### Next School Year Sept 2022-July 2023 INSET DAYS/Bank Holiday

Mon 4th September 2023

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023 –MAY DAY

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024

### **Term Dates**

Autumn Term 2022

6<sup>th</sup> September- 27<sup>th</sup> October

6<sup>th</sup> November – 22<sup>nd</sup> December

Spring Term 2023

8th January- 9th February

19<sup>th</sup> February- 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Summer Term 2023

8<sup>th</sup> April-24<sup>th</sup> May

3<sup>rd</sup> June-22<sup>nd</sup> July