

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



Dear Families,

I would like to welcome everyone back after the half term break (which seems like a long time ago now!) and I hope you all were able to enjoy a nice rest. There seems to have been so many fun and exciting things going on at Christ Church over the past few weeks including our Y5 visit to the fire station. It's been great to see all the smiles, fun, laughter and enthusiasm from all of the children and staff at school.

As the nights draw in, it is more important than ever that the children are keeping safe when coming to and from school, having a reflector on a coat or bag can help drivers to spot children when visibility is low. We have shared our road safety messages with all the children so they are reminded of how to cross the roads safely as part of our 'Be safe be seen' work. We would also encourage all of our families that if you have to travel by car, you drive slowly when approaching school and make sure you get out of your cars to help your children cross safely.

As well as lots of fun and learning, there have been some important messages shared with our children. We have had our Mental Health Support Team deliver an assembly about the importance of sharing our worries. Each class has also been involved in lots of different activities about keeping safe and kindness towards others as part of our Anti-bullying week. It has also been great to see so many of our parents and families attending our school information sessions and workshops for reading/ phonics and Y6 SATs we hope to continue offering more of these on a range of topics throughout the year.

Kind regards,

Mr L Archer

Modeshift Award Winners!



On Tuesday 7th November, the Travel Ambassadors were invited to attend the Team Modeshift Regional Awards ceremony. This was because we had been nominated for all the hard work we had done over the last year with our travel plan. We attended the awards via Zoom, it was really exciting. We all started cheering when we won Primary Regional School of the Year for Staffordshire! I was really happy. Kacper-J3



Y5 fire station visit



Y5 had a great time at the fire station learning about a variety of important life skills involving water safety, fire safety, finance management, first aid and good citizenship.



I enjoyed when we carried out CPR on the dummy. I also enjoyed going into the pretend house and learning about the electrical fire hazards. - Jarrar (H5)

When I went to the fire station I learned about the things that can burn your house. I also learned the 'DRS ABC' for CPR. D = Danger, R = Response, S = Shout, A = Airway, B = Breathing and C = CPR. - Lilly (H5)

I really enjoyed it. Learning different things like CPR and about the debit card. There was also a house fire simulator that was like a video game!

Stephanie, B5

I thought the fire station was amazing and I learnt a lot about fire safety. We learnt how to do CPR, about fire and so many other things.

- Michael, B5

Y5 visit to Abbot Beyne



Our Y5 children went to Abbot Beyne Secondary school to take part in a variety of lessons alongside some other local primary school children.



My favourite activity was Geography because we got to learn about safety on an airplane. My favourite part of Drama was when we played Splat'. - Maliha (B5)

'At Abbot Beyne we did Art, Geography and Drama. My favourite was Art because we painted a head inspired by an artist called Briana. In Geography, we pretended to go to Japan but crashed landed on a beautiful desert island. We went outside which was fun and met nice teachers!' - Subhan (B5)

'I liked drama because we got to show our freeze frames and play fun games.' - Malakai (H5)

'I enjoyed Geography because we drew maps with a key and learned about how to survive on an island.' - Niloofar (H5)

'I enjoyed the art lesson because we got to use oil pastels and paint. We created abstract faces'. - Nancy (H5)

Class Assemblies



On the 8th of November our class (SB6) did an assembly based on the Ancient Greeks. The things that we did were a timeline scene where we talked about all the events in history and when they occurred. We also did a scene from Theseus and the Minotaur. Some of us showed artwork. We talked about government and democracy back then. Two people made predictions about if the Trojan War was true or not. We also gave a summary of the Trojan War and to end the assembly we sung a song which we had learnt in music called Refuge- by Huzayf SB6.

I really enjoyed practicing the assembly about the Ancient Greeks, especially the play! I was a bit nervous at first but at the end of the assembly it was all fine. I like how we got to pick our roles or lines. At the end, we sung our favourite song from music that we had been learning this term (Refuge)- By Olivia N6



Stay and Play



It was great to see so many of our families coming to our nursery 'stay and play' event. The children were really excited to show their families all the wonderful activities they enjoy both inside and out!



Sports competitions



Boccia

After school, on Tuesday 24th October, we went to a boccia tournament at Robert Sutton. We had two teams. We played lots of other games against other schools. Our team finished third overall and we received bronze medals. I felt nervous and it was hard to play against other schools but it was great fun.

Zain Ahmed N6

Archery

After school, on Tuesday 21st November, we went to an archery tournament at Robert Sutton. We had six children in our team. We all had to fire three arrows in each round at the target. There were four rounds altogether. Finally, all the scores from every team were added together and Christ Church were the winners by two points! We got a trophy and a gold medal each. I really enjoyed it because even when I didn't hit the target my team cheered me on. Sydney Peterson N6



News/Reminders....

Non Uniform Day

On Friday 1st December, we will be having a non-uniform day in exchange for items for our Xmas Fayre.

- Nursery- Cakes (vegetarian and nut free please)
- Reception- New toys/games from Pound shop or similar bargain shop
- Years 1 & 2 -New toys/games from Pound shop or similar bargain shop
- Year 3- Chocolates - bars, selection boxes, advent calendars etc.. (NUT FREE)
- Year 4 -Chocolates - bars, selection boxes, advent calendars etc.. (NUT FREE)
- Year 5- New children's books
- Year 6 -New stationery
- We would also be grateful to receive any other prizes from any of the categories.

If you are available to offer to help in anyway with preparing for our Xmas Fayre please contact Lisa Shaw using this email address: ptfa@Christchurch-burton.staffs.sch.uk via the school office. Any help would be much appreciated!

Christmas Fayre

Our Christmas Fayre this year will be held on Friday 8th December at 2:15pm, with big raffle prizes, Christmas treats as well as a chance to have your photo taken with Santa! All of the money raised will be going towards supporting our children with a focus this year on developing our school Library so please come along, support the school and have lots of fun!

Absences/ contacting the school office

If your child is not able to attend school for any reason please could you contact the school office by e-mail (office@christchurch-burton.staffs.sch.uk) with the name of the child, the class they are in and the reason for their absence. If you have a message that you would like to pass on to the class teacher or information you would like to share with us please also contact the office by e-mail stating clearly the child's name, class and any relevant information. If you would like a phone call back please make this clear on your e-mail and we will endeavour to do this as quickly as we are able. This will help make it easier to record the details and enable us to handle any requests in a much more efficient way.

School uniform

Thankyou to everyone who has donated uniform to school , including the Newlife store in Burton who kindly donated lots of tops, summer dresses, trousers , PE tops and many more items. Don't forget to check out our recycled uniform rail in the school reception area and at our Xmas fayre.

