



CHRIST CHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL



January 2019

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to school and a happy New Year to you all. We hope it is a healthy and happy year for everyone and we are looking forward to exciting things at school; fabulous assemblies, adventures outdoors and more.



Dates for your diary and INSET days overleaf –next inset date is Monday 25 February 2019

As the weather is getting colder please make sure your child brings their coat, hat and gloves and that they are all labelled with their names, thank you.

We're Going on a Bear Hunt
Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury

Reading



Inset Day

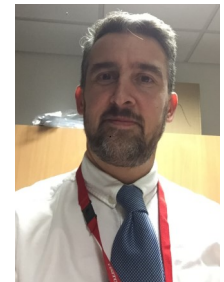
The whole of the teaching staff received inspirational training from **Michael Rosen**, children's novelist, poet and author of over 140 books including 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' on our INSET day. This was a joint venture with the Burton River Collaborative Partnership.

Reading continues to be a focus for the whole school and we are very pleased that the PTFA has given money towards extra resources to stock the class libraries with quality texts to help enthuse and engage the children. All reading makes a difference but evidence shows that reading books for pleasure brings the most significant gains. Please encourage your child to read a wide range of texts and to read every day to develop a rich and varied vocabulary and further their understanding of literature. There is a wide variety of books to choose from including a greater selection of poetry books.



Deputy Headteacher

We are pleased to announce that there will be a new member of staff after half term. **Mr Archer** will be joining the Senior Leadership team as Deputy Headteacher and we wish him a warm welcome to our school.



Parents' Evenings

There will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress and achievements on: Wednesday 6 and Thursday 7 February. Letters will be going out in the near future.

Curriculum letters will also be available to you and also on the website. These provide helpful information about the topics and subjects being covered over the half term. We strive to ensure that our children receive a broad and balanced curriculum through careful mapping across the National Curriculum making creative links between areas. It is great to see the children enjoying the performing arts, music and PE. Year 5 will soon be undertaking a residential trip to Laches Wood and this is again a super opportunity to learn outside of the classroom and to build skills such as team working, flexible thinkers through problem solving as well as enjoying the outdoor pursuits of climbing etc.

School Term and Holiday Dates 2019

Spring Term 2019

F2 Class Assembly 9.15 am in the Hall: Friday 25 January

Parents' Evenings: Wednesday 6 and Thursday 7 February

Y3/Y4 Class Assembly: Friday 15th February

Half term: Monday 18 February - Friday 22 February

Inset Day: Monday 25 February

Y5 Family Assembly: Friday 1 March

World Book Day Celebrations: Friday 8 March

Reception 'Commotion in the Ocean' Family Assembly 2.15 to 3 pm in the Hall: Wednesday 3 April

Y5 Residential to Laches Wood: Monday 8 to Wednesday 10 April

KN1 Family Assembly: Tuesday 9 April

Term ends: Friday 12 April

Holiday: Monday 15 April - Friday 26 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 21 April

Summer Term 2019

Term starts: Monday 29 April

KS1 SATs test period: May

Reception visit to Rosliston Forestry Centre: Thursday 2 May (TBC)

Nursery Maypole making Workshop: Thursday 2 May

May day Celebrations: Friday 3 May

May Day: Monday 6 May

Reception 2019 Induction evening: Wednesday 8 May

KS 2 SATs: Monday 13 May to Thursday 16 May

Half term: Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May

Year 1 and 2 Phonics check: Week commencing 10 June

Science Week: June 17-20

Inset Day: Friday 21 June

Transition day: Wednesday 3 July

Transition meeting for parents of current Y2 to juniors: Wednesday 3 July

KS2 performance: Tuesday 9 and Wednesday 10 July

M1/2 Family Assembly 9.15 am in the Hall: Friday 12 July

Reception Learning Journey open session in class 2.30 to 3.00 pm: Monday 15 July

Junior Sports and games day: Wednesday 17 July

Infant Sports and games day: Thursday 18 July

Term Ends: Friday 19 July

Inset Day: Monday 22 July

Holiday: Tuesday 23 July - Friday 30 August