



## September 2019

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#### **Dear Parents**

Welcome back to the start of a new academic year at Christ Church. It has been lovely to see the children looking so smart in their uniforms and to see their happy faces. Staff are out and about at the beginning and the end of the day so if there are any problems come and have a chat with us. Similarly, I am available if you need to talk about something. All of the children have made a great start. Curriculum letters will be going home to help keep you informed of the topics each class will be studying. These will also be posted on our school website at

https://www.christchurch-burton.staffs.sch.uk which is a useful place to find out more about school including our school policies.

# Safety: Emergency Contact Details and going home arrangements.

It is so important that we have a minimum of two contact details held in school in case we need to contact you during the day. We endeavour to keep all the information up to date so if you change your telephone numbers please let the school know.

We do not allow children to go home with other adults unless we have been advised to do so by the parent or legal guardian. We ask that you contact school and let us know if your home school arrangements alter.

# Summer Library Reading Challenge in Burton

Well done to all the children who completed the summer reading challenge. It is so important to develop a love of reading and we have lots of exciting stories and new books in school for the children to also enjoy.



### Dates for your diary and INSET days overleaf.

Friday 25 October 2019; Monday 20 January 2020; Friday 12 June 2020; Monday 20 July 2020

#### **Travel Survey**

We are required to complete a travel survey each year and it is probably timely to encourage our families to walk to school when at all possible. If you have to use a car then please park a distance from the school and walk for the last part to ease congestion. I would also ask that you park safely and not on the zig-zag lines which are there to keep all of our children safe. Please do not to park at the fire station or around local businesses such as the launderette. Thank you.

#### School Meals.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 are entitled to free school meals. The children are able to choose from the same menu as all the older children and the menus are available from the office. I am pleased to see so many of the children taking up this entitlement.

#### **Pupil Premium**

If your child is entitled to free school meals **in any year group** please will you continue to claim as this provides extra money to support your child within school.

#### PTFA

There is a meeting on 10 September at 3.30 pm in the Conference Room, please come and support us if you can. There is a very loyal and hardworking group of members and new members are always welcomed. One of the first planned events is a coffee morning on Friday 13 September 2019 at 9 am in the school hall. I do hope you will be able to attend, it is a good way to meet others and share ideas. Please contact Chair of the PTFA and School Governor Lisa Shaw if you require any more information.

#### Parents' Evenings-22 and 23 October 2019

There will be an early opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher and to discuss any issues you may have and to learn more about the curriculum on offer. Details will be sent out in the near future.

### School Term and Holiday Dates 2019 to 2020

## Autumn Term 2019

Inset day 1: Monday 2 September (students are not in school)

**Term starts:** Tuesday 3 September (students return)

Inset day 2: Friday 25 October (students are not in school)

Parents Evenings: Tuesday 22 and 23 October

Half term: Monday 28 October - Friday 1 November

Term ends: Friday 20 December

Holiday: Monday 23 December - Friday 3 January

## Spring Term 2020

Term starts: Monday 6 January

**Inset day 3:** Monday 20 January (students are not in school)

Half term: Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February

Term ends: Friday 3 April

Holiday: Monday 6 April - Friday 17 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 12 April

# Summer Term 2020

Term starts: Monday 20 April

Early May Bank Holiday: Friday 8 May

Half term: Monday 25 May - Friday 29 May

Inset day 4: Friday 12 June (students are not in school)

Inset day 5: Monday 20 July (students are not in school)

Holiday: Tuesday 21 July - Monday 31 August

Please note: The Early May Bank Holiday has changed due to the anniversary of VE day.