



CHRIST CHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL



October 2019

Dear Parents

It has been a very busy half term. With so many more exciting events planned for next half term, please see the diary dates overleaf

The darker nights are sadly upon us, please speak to your child about taking extra care when crossing the road.

School Council

This year in school council we have been focusing on healthy school meals. Each council member has brought ideas for what we could do to encourage children to bring or choose healthy school meals. In our last meeting, we discussed having a 'special table' for the children who made healthy food choices. Each child that is chosen can bring one friend along. We would also like to set a 'design a healthy lunchbox competition'.

For the younger children, we thought about having prizes or stickers if they eat healthy food. We discussed having healthy treats in our lunchbox. Please remember no sweets, chocolates or fizzy drinks should be in lunchboxes.

Nursery

Our Nursery provides a great start to children's education and introduction into our Christ Church Family. The staff are extremely welcoming and highly trained practitioners. Our Nursery will now be accepting children to start in January who turn three years old before the end of December. Please contact the office if you would like to apply for a place.

Air Quality

At the end of September, Ryan Proctor from **Air Quality Staffordshire** delivered an assembly to the whole school. The main theme of the assembly was looking at improving the air quality outside of school. As a result of the assembly, the school has chosen some travel ambassadors in KS2 to raise awareness of this issue. The ambassadors will receive training after half-term. An assembly will also take place after half-term to highlight the importance of road safety around school, particularly as the nights are drawing in.

Travelling Book Fair

The book fair will be in school from Thursday 21st November to 27th November, this is a wonderful opportunity for you to choose and buy some exciting books to read with your child.

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Dates for your diary and INSET days are over the page.

PTFA

This is a very loyal and hardworking group of parents and new members are always welcomed. We held our annual Chocolate Bingo and raised £237, Thank you so much for supporting this. Our next meeting will be on 5th November at 3.30pm. The PTFA will be holding a KS2 film night on 14th November. We will be having a Coffee Morning on 15th November at 9am please join us if you can, this is to raise funds for Children in Need. Please contact Chair of the PTFA and School Governor Lisa Shaw if you require any more information.

Everyone Active Drawing Competition

There was a drawing competition. To win, you had to draw a picture of what you think is fun in sports, you could win £1000 of sports equipment for your school and a term of free swimming lesson and goody bag for yourself. I thought if I enter I might have a chance of winning. About two weeks later, Miss Douglas told me that I had come runner up in the competition and I won £500 for my school and won some gifts for myself. I am very happy and proud of myself and I would love to enter more competitions. I would recommend that other children to enter competitions. By Hanna

Retirement

We would like to wish a fond farewell to **Mrs Baker** who will be retiring from Christ Church on Wednesday. She has kindly stayed to cover these parents' evenings so it will be an opportunity for you to say goodbye in person. Mrs Baker started work in 1997 and has worked tirelessly and with love for many years at Christ Church. She will be sadly missed but we know she will enjoy quality time with her family and enjoy more of the outdoors.

Thank you for all you have done, Mrs Baker and have a great retirement!



School Term and Holiday Dates

Sporting Events

Christ Church have played 3 football league games this half term and remain unbeaten. Our first matches were against Scientia - our first game was a thrilling 3-3 draw and our second game finished 1-1. We had been winning until the last minute but unfortunately conceded a very late equaliser. Our 3rd game resulted in a 0-0 draw against Anglesey which means we have 3 points from 3 games so far.

Autumn Term 2019

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

Half term: Monday 28 October - Friday 1 November

4th November School Reopens

5th November 3.30pm PTFA Meeting,

6th November Year 1 and 2 Phonics Parents Meeting

8th November Year 3 and 4 Remembrance Assembly

12th November 3.30pm Year 2 Parents SATs Meeting

13th November 3.30pm Year 6 Parents SATs Meeting

14th November PTFA Film Night

15th November Children in Need Day

15th November PTFA Coffee Morning

18th November ROAD SAFETY WEEK

21st November All School Flu immunisation

21st November - 27th November Travelling Book Fair

22nd November British Wildlife Rescue Centre bringing in Owl for children to meet.

6th December School Christmas Fayre

9th December West Midlands Theatre

10th December Christmas Performance

18th December Infants Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

19th December Juniors Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

Term ends: Friday 20 December