

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



Dear Families,

As we approach the end of the half term it has been great to see how well all the children have returned and adapted to their new classes, routines and systems in place.

Home-learning

Please remember that if any children are having to self-isolate then they must complete the 'Home learning' that is being provided for them. If this work is not completed and submitted to the class teacher then the child's absence will not be authorised and a fine may be incurred. All 'Home learning' can be found on the school learning platform, please contact the office if you do not have access to the internet or a device to work on.

COVID-19

If your child has symptoms of COVID-19 please remember to get a test at the earliest opportunity, test results are being returned very quickly and a negative result will mean your child can return to school as long as they remain well. If the test is positive then the symptomatic person will need to isolate for at least 10 days. We would also advise that the rest of the household get tested. Ensure you also inform school if your child or anyone in your household has a positive result. In adhering to these rules we help to keep each other safe and to keep the school operational as much as is possible.



It is now a time of coughs and colds and keeping up the routines of hand-washing and social distancing will help to minimise the spread of these viruses as well as COVID-19. We are pleased that so many of our families are adhering to the 'hands, face and space' protocols outside the school and urge you to continue to do so. As we approach the Winter months it is important that the children are dressed appropriately with winter coats, hats and gloves.

Parents Evening

This year we will be sharing how your child has settled into their class in the form of a phone call rather than through a face-to-face parents evening. KS2 meetings will be on Tuesday 12th October and Wednesday 13th October and KS1/EYFS will commence the following week on Tuesday 19th October and Wednesday 20th October. Please ensure that you are ready at your allocated time slot as timings will need to be closely adhered to. If you feel you need a further conversation with the class teacher after this meeting then please contact the office to arrange this for a mutually convenient time.

Twitter

Please check out our Twitter page to see some of the wonderful work the children are doing at school and keeping up to date with what is happening! [@CChurchPrimary](#) 

Kind regards,

Mrs V Anderson & Mr L Archer



Life at Christ Church

Poetry competition

To celebrate National Poetry Day this year, the children had the opportunity to take part in an exciting poetry writing competition. Children were asked to write a poem based on a painting by Deborah Milton about looking after the earth. We had a huge 57 entries altogether. Winners will be announced shortly; Mrs Shaw and I really enjoyed reading them all and choosing winners will be very tricky! We certainly have some budding poets at Christ Church.



Art Ambassadors & School councillors

The votes have been cast and the results are in for our new school councillors who will be helping to shape the school over the coming year. We have also got some brand new art ambassadors to promote the arts across the school and our local community. Congratulations to all of our successful pupils, we look forward to lots of exciting contributions throughout the year!

Big Bike Revival

On Wednesday 13th October some of our Y5 & Y6 children, as well as some of our staff, will be able to bring in their bikes for a health check to ensure they are safe to ride. This is part of the 'Big bike revival' initiative, funded by Staffordshire County Council. We have been chosen as one of only ten schools in Staffordshire to be nominated for this initiative due to all of our hard work in promoting healthy lifestyles.

Mr Honman's Nature/Art Competition

Please look out for the details about the half term competition coming soon. The theme will involve nature and recycling and will be lots of fun, so please do take part. Thank you to Mr Honman for organising this.



Life at Christ Church

We would like to congratulate Mr and Mrs Barke on the most recent addition to their family. Olivia Barke, weighing a healthy 8lb 4oz, is a lovely new baby sister for Emily- who can be seen taking great care of her in the picture. All are doing well and we send them all of our love.



Congratulations to the new Mrs Timmins!

We have also had cause for further celebration at Christ Church since our last newsletter, as Miss Neish got married on October 2nd to Ryan Timmins. We wish the new Mrs Timmins (formerly known as Miss Neish) and her husband many happy memories together.






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