

## Dear Families,

Welcome back to a new year at Christ Church. We are looking forward to many exciting events that are due to take place over this term.

Year 3 and 4 have just enjoyed our 'Roman Day' and there will lots more events for everyone to share.



## **Swimming**

Mr Cunningham's class will commence with their swimming lessons at the Meadowside this week. I am sure they will be excited to practise the important life skill of being able to swim. Other Year 3 and 4 classes will take part in lessons over the coming year.

## The Brewhouse-Places in spaces project

Year 3 and 4 will be working with Tutors from the Brewhouse on a mini project this half term. The project sees empty shop windows in Burton Town centre being utilised to create an exciting installation using the theme 'environment'. The Tutors will work with the children to create drawings and then they will be displayed in the February half term.



## **Parents' Evenings**

There will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress and achievements in February 2022. Letters will be going out in the near future.

#### **Curriculum letters**

These will be made available to you soon 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.

### **Inset Day**

Staff will be undertaking training in the arts for our INSET day this **Monday 17 January 2022**. We have been working towards achieving the Artsmark for schools and we will be using these skills to showcase children's work as well as providing greater opportunities for the children to develop and appreciate a love of the arts.



#### **Illness and Absence**

Please would you continue to communicate, via e mail in the first instance, to the school office to report any absence for your child.

#### Please state:

- Your child's name
- Their class
- The reason for the absence

This can then be effectively communicated to the class teacher.

There are a number of different childhood illnesses circulating at this time of the year. Please make sure that for any sickness and diarrhoea cases, your child stays at home for 48 hours to ensure that the illness has passed and to prevent onward infection.

### Messaging

We no longer use the text messaging service. All future communication will be sent via e mail or using the Parent Mail App. Please can you ensure you have access to the App (available to download) if you have not already done so.

#### Covid-19

We continue to be affected by this virus. Please make sure you follow the most up to date guidance provided, as this does change from time to time. Please inform us as soon as is possible for any positive cases or symptoms requiring isolation. We will continue to provide home learning for those who require it.



## **Dates for the Diary**

**Spring Term 2022** 

**INSET DAY:** Monday 17 January

Half Term: Monday 21 February – Friday 25 February

**Term ends:** Friday 8 April

Holiday: Monday 11 April – Friday 22 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 17 April

**Summer Term 2022** 

Term starts: Monday 25 April

May Day: Monday 2 May

Half Term: Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June

**INSET DAY:** Friday 8 July

Term ends: Wednesday 20 July

Holiday: Thursday 21 July – Friday 2 September

The previously published last day of term for 2022 was 21 July 2022. This has been altered to 20 July 2022 to take into account the celebrations for the Queens Jubilee.