

# End of Year NEWSLETTER



## Dear Families,

It's great to have been able to start inviting parents back into school to join us for a host of events this half term!

There have been lots of exciting and fun learning activities already packed into, what we're sure will feel like a short space of time, including our Summer Fayre, which raised over £1000 for our PTFA, £150 for our Y6 events and £40 towards the Arts after the introduction of our first ever Art Exhibition. Thank you to everyone who came to support the event (even though we all got a bit wet!) The jubilee celebrations that took place just before the holidays also proved to be a resounding success raising £256.26 which helped provide resources for the day. Again providing another opportunity to be able get our parents involved with jubilee themed activities in each class. It was great to see the Christ Church community spirit in full flow with parents coming to join in with classroom activities, 1950s music, school picnic and games on the playground culminating with a whole school assembly with singing and a live performance of the National Anthem from our school music club!

In the last few weeks we still have a few events to look forward to with Sports Days (EYFS/KS1 Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July afternoon 1.30pm), (KS2 Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July afternoon 1.30pm) and Nursery (Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July). We also have our Y6 performances taking place ( Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July) as well as our Year 6 children preparing for the next chapter in their educational journey, with many children having induction activities with their new high schools.

There are a few staffing changes for the coming year as Mr Darlington will be leaving us to become an Assistant Head at another school and Mrs Hunt will be leaving us to pursue other interests and Mrs Bingham will be spending more time exploring her passion for the Arts. Mrs Hackett is also looking to further her career development elsewhere as is Mrs Singh now that her son is moving to Secondary school. We would like to thank them all for their wonderful contributions during their time with us at Christ Church. They will all be missed.

We will also be welcoming some new members of staff with Mrs Voyce, Miss Cooper and Mrs Hussain joining our fantastic team of teaching staff. We are delighted to have them on board and know they will be a great asset to our Christ Church family. We are also really pleased to have Mrs Barke returning after her maternity leave.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this year, wish you all a wonderful Summer break!

**Mr L Archer**

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## Celebrating The Arts at Christ Church

This year has been an exciting one at Christ Church Primary school. Back in September 2021, we launched The Arts throughout our school. At Christ Church, we are passionate about The Arts & Possibilities and these are our curriculum drivers. Therefore, teachers have been working hard to incorporate The Arts in all areas of the curriculum and lessons. The following things have happened this year:

- An Arts Council elected by School council,
- The Arts council have been part of an Art club, learning crocheting and taken part in some drama,
- Arts Councillors have launched competitions and judged the entries,
- Arts Council has helped teachers organise and display work for the Summer Art Exhibition,
- Art work have been exhibited in the Big Burton Jubilee over the washlands, in the window of the old Thomas Cook and soon in the parks around Burton on Trent,
- We took the arts council on a tour of Burton to see the work of Y3/4 with the Brewhouse
- The Burton Brewhouse worked with Y3/4 on an art workshop about the rainforest
- Music club and the Arts Council have been practising a song and one of their own to perform at the Brewhouse,
- Y5 & Y6 have been having music lesson with Paget's Music teacher,
- Y3/4 have been learning the violin and performed at a concert at the Town Hall,
- Y5 and Y6 have been enjoying learning how to play the xylophones and recorder and performed in our Platinum Jubilee Celebration Assembly,
- All KS1 children have been having music lessons with Rockit Music and will be doing their music exam very soon.
- All children in school will be watching a live music concert next week.
- The whole school had a William Shakespeare week where we took part in drama, watched a performance by professional actors and took part in activities surrounding the arts and possibilities (e.g. set design, composing, costume design)
- We had a poetry week competition focused on a piece of Art about saving the environment
- Year 6 have worked with RicNic to take part in a drama project and improve their skills
- We celebrated World Book Day as a school which involved lots of art activities.

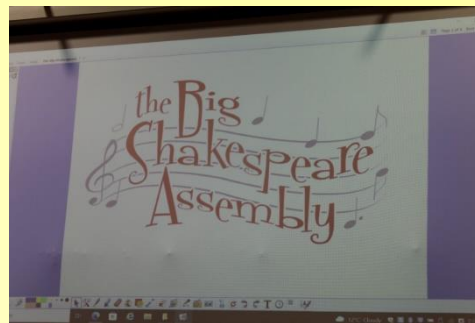


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## Shakespeare week

During June, we celebrated Shakespeare Week. This year, our theme as a whole school was 'A *Midsummer Night's Dream*'. We launched the week by watching a recorded stage production of the play and the children enjoyed laughing along to the tricks of Puck the fairy while gaining experience with live theatre. Throughout the week, the children took part in a range of exciting activities including drama and the Arts and we learned about a range of future job possibilities including directing and stage design. We were also inspired by the play for our English work, from creating magical flowers in the EYFS to writing our own plays, poems and stories. It was a joy to see all of the children so engaged and excited about the Arts as well as promoting their love of reading and English. I can't wait to bring Shakespeare week back even bigger and better next year! – Miss Hill



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## Christ Church roving reporters:

### Hiking with a Viking

Corie Evans J3/4

On Thursday 23rd June, a Viking called Rathgar came to school. The Travel Ambassadors and the Viking walked to school to promote the importance of walking to school and leaving the car at home. Next, KS2 had an assembly which was all about the Vikings – it was great fun!



### Music Concert at Burton Town Hall

Amelia-Jayne Bradshaw J3/4

On Monday 20th June, J34 walked to and from Burton Town Hall. We went there to perform a concert in front of our parents. We sang four songs we had learnt in school and played the violin too. It was amazing!



### Y6 Handball Tournament

Theo Gordon CD6

On Tuesday 21st June, a team of pupils from Y6 played in a handball tournament at Shobnall Leisure Centre. It was very exciting to see how the other teams played. The boys won all their games and the girls won one, drew one and lost one. We were runners up by just two goals! We got medals and certificates. It was great to take part in a tournament and represent the school.



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So to a fond farewell to our fantastic Year 6. Over the year we have had some ups and downs but you have been truly amazing.

We wish each and every one of you success in your many different High Schools. We know you will continue to be wonderful students. You have been fun, resilient and hardworking at home and at school. We will miss you all.

Thank you to all the staff that have helped you on your way and to our families for the wonderful support they give to us all. We hope you remember to:

**'Love to learn and learn to love'**

Good luck in all you do!

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## Calendar dates

### Summer Term 2022

- Sports Day KS1**- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 1.30pm
- Y6 performance** - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 1.45pm - Hall
- Sports Day KS2** –Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 1.30pm
- Y6 performance** - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July 1.45pm - Hall
- Sports Day Nursery** - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 11am & 2.30pm
- Inset Day (school closed):** Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July
- Holiday:** Thursday 21 July – Friday 2 September

### Next School Year Sept 2022-July 2023

#### **INSET DAYS/Bank Holiday**

- Mon 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022
- Mon 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022
- Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023
- Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023 –MAY DAY
- Mon 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023
- Tues 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023

#### **Term Dates**

- Autumn Term 2022
- 5<sup>th</sup> September- 21<sup>st</sup> October
- 31<sup>st</sup> October - 16<sup>th</sup> December
- Spring Term 2023
- 3<sup>rd</sup> January- 17<sup>th</sup> February
- 27<sup>th</sup> February- 31<sup>st</sup> March
- Summer Term 2023
- 17<sup>th</sup> April-26<sup>th</sup> May
- 5<sup>th</sup> June-25<sup>th</sup> July