



St Christopher Community Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Nursery pupils have entertained their parents this week with a sing-along. To see so many children standing in front of an audience singing with actions was a pleasure to see. Some of these pupils are only 2 and 3 years old. We are so proud of them.

Reception rehearsals of their Christmas performance have been very successful so we think their parents and families are going to be in for a real treat this afternoon and tomorrow evening.

The sports success last weekend was again phenomenal. Our two teams did incredibly well against over 400 other runners and over 40 primary schools. Team A did so well they finished runners up. The team overall were awarded the runners up trophy and a medal each. This is the highest place the school has ever finished in Cross Country - the winning school was Bablake who are renowned for winning. What a massive achievement for these boys and our school! Congratulations all.

Frankie Whelan is again performing at the Belgrade this year in the pantomime Dick Whittington. Frankie was selected through auditions back in October - should you be going to see the panto- do look out for her! Well done Frankie.

On Thursday we will try to distribute any lost property to children in class - if the items are named it makes it very straightforward. For non-named items they will be placed outside of school close to where your child is dismissed. Please look through and take any of your child's belongings.

Google expeditions visited school on Monday afternoon. Pupils in Year 3-6 had an amazing time using state of the art equipment. It linked in with their themes in class. If you haven't looked at one of the clips on twitter then please do - you can see and hear how amazed the children were.

On Friday pupils can wear a Christmas Jumper (or something else if you don't celebrate Christmas). They can also bring in a toy or game. Please ensure these are not valuable and are appropriate for school e.g.: not skates, toy guns or swords. Year 5 and 6 may bring in devices and we will give children the opportunity to have these locked away during breaks.

Finally, on behalf of staff and governors I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas. I hope you all enjoy the festivities and have a well-deserved rest. School reopens to pupils on Wednesday 4th January. Look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.
Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Robinson
Headteacher BEd Hons. NPQH

Sports News

Saturday was another history making weekend for sport at St. Christopher Primary School. The Coventry Primary Schools Sports Association Cross-Country races at Bablake Fields in Coundon, attracted a record number of schools this year with 50 Coventry Primary Schools fielding over 450 boys.

A huge crowd of parents attended which made for a fantastic atmosphere as the Boys team of 6 - Finn (6E), Finlay (6E), Cameron (6E), Joe (5T), Calvin (5N) and Patrick (5N) lined up for the A race along with over 200 boys. The race is run over a 1.1 mile circuit. The team performed magnificently putting into practice all of the training they had benefitted from with Mr Coyle and Mr Tarn at Allesley Park. Finn, Finlay and Jo all finished in the top 20 with Cameron, Calvin and Patrick all finishing well inside the first 100. The results confirmed that the team had finished in second place behind Bablake, the highest ever finish in the history of our school. An amazing achievement. The boys collected a trophy and well deserved medals. Finn finished in 6th place, the highest ever individual placing by a St. Christopher pupil.

The second race saw a field of 250 boys start and again the St. Christopher boys recorded a fantastic 6th place. The team of Jonathon(5N), Ismail (5T), Joseph (5N), Joseph (5N), Lorcan (5N) Joseph (5T), Zak (6L), Max (6E) and Ethan (6E) all ran really well with Jonathon finishing 12th overall. Many of the boys are Year 5 so already we have some fine prospects for next year.

Earlier in the week the St. Christopher Netball team secured another fantastic win beating Templars Primary 12-0. Beth (6E), Freja (6E), Alisha (6E), Caitlyn (6E), Megan (6L), Rhia (6L), Evie (6E) and Ace (5T) put in another very strong performance to secure the second win of the season maintaining their unbeaten start. The support of Kerrie West has been instrumental in the continued success of the Netball team and this is really appreciated by the school and the children.



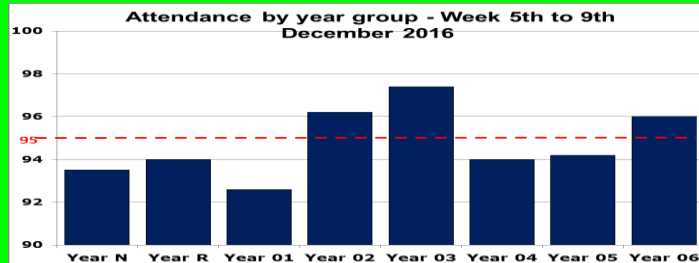
WEEKLY FOCUS

Assembly Focus: All About Christmas

Musical Inspiration: Various Christmas Songs



ATTENDANCE BY YEAR GROUP



Pupil of the Week Awards



Pupil of the Week Awards go to:

Lillie - 1C: being an enthusiastic learner, and for trying her best in all of her lessons - Well done!

Ruby - 1W: being creative! Ruby regularly shares things she has made

Darci - 2H: always trying her best and for making super progress in reading

Hope - 2K: fantastic effort in every lesson. Hope always listens carefully and tries her very best

Thomas - 3D: his positive attitude and effort in all lessons. Keep it up Tom!

Alfie - 3M: developing beautiful fluency and expression when reading and trying hard to contribute during Spy Time

Grace - 4I: contributions in Music theme lessons and a confidence with performing. Well done Grace

Harvey - 4P: all his hard work in Maths. You are really achieving great things Harvey

Kristian - 5N: increased confidence in himself while learning to play the keyboard! Keep it up!

Phoebe - 5T: her fantastic attitude and application of knowledge during recent assessments

Leah - 6E: working hard, making good contributions and making good progress in reading and writing

Georgia - 6L: her excellent participation and thoughtful contributions during our Jigsaw lessons

Well done to all of the above pupils

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (further dates/information to follow, please be aware that some dates may change)

Wednesday 14 th December 2016	Reception Performance 2.30 pm (please order tickets)
Thursday 15 th December 2016	Reception Performance 5.30 pm (please order tickets)
Friday 16 th December	Nursery will be closed to all children – letter sent out
Friday 16 th December 2016	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 3 rd January 2017	Staff Training day – school closed for pupils – Nursery visit PM for prospective parents
Thursday 19 th January 2017	Reception children – Hearing Screening – further information to follow
Wednesday 25 th January 2017	Drop in for Mid-Year reports – - further information to follow
Monday 6 th February 2017	KS2 SATS Information Evening for parents – further information to follow
Monday 13 th February 2017	KS1 SATS Information Evening for parents – further information to follow
Thursday 6 th April 2017	PTA – Easter Disco and Games Event
Tuesday 25 th April 2017	Parents Evening – - further information to follow
Wednesday 26 th April 2017	Parents Evening - further information to follow
Monday 1 st May 2017	May bank holiday day – school closed
Monday 8 th May – FRIDAY 12 TH MAY 2017	YEAR 6 SATS WEEK
Friday 26 th May 2017	Staff Training day – school closed for pupils
Friday 16 th June 2017	PTA – Summer Fete
Friday 23 rd June – Monday 26 th June 2017	Y6 Residential Skern Lodge Devon
Wednesday 5 th July 2017	Transition Day/Year 6 Ball
Tuesday 11 th July 2017	Sports Day
Wednesday 12 th July 2017	Year 2 Performance
Monday 17 th July 2017	Year 6 Evening Performance
Tuesday 18 th July 2017	Year 6 Afternoon Performance and leaving assembly
Thursday 20 th July 2017	Mystery Trip – Year 6