



Dear Parents and Carers,

Believe it or not we are heading for half term! Another great few weeks have passed with amazing learning taking place in school. I feel so proud of our school when I walk around. The vast majority of children behave impeccably every single day and come into school with a great attitude. Our staff help children achieve high standards in exciting ways and you as parents support us within our community in so many ways. Occasionally we have a lovely email or message about something or someone that has impressed you. For example, we had a lovely message from a parent who was bowled over by the Young Voices event and was almost in tears when they saw how much the children were enjoying themselves. These kind of messages mean a lot to us - thank-you for the positive feedback.

Year 6 Meeting

A great turnout for the important SATs preparation meeting on Monday. Thanks to all of you who made it. Copies of the slides will be sent via email. Please can those of you who were not able to make it collect the pack for your child from the main office and read through the slides.

Lost property

Weather permitting, we will aim to place lost property with no names outside classroom areas on Friday.

Half Term

Playpals holiday club looks filled with great activities going on. If you are having some time off, then I hope you and your children enjoy the break and we will see you all on Monday 25th February.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Robinson
Headteacher BEd Hons. NPQH

REMINDER FOR YEAR 6 PARENTS – TO MAKE PAYMENTS FOR SKERN. THE REMAINING BALANCE NEEDS TO BE PAID IN FULL BY 13TH MARCH 2019 AT THE LATEST. THANK YOU.

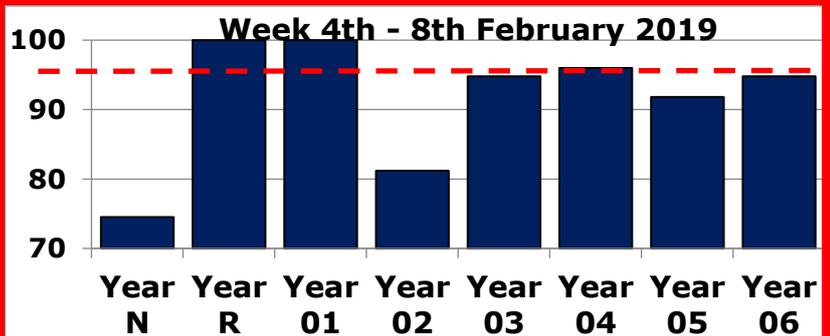
WEEKLY FOCUS

Assembly Focus: Internet Safety

Musical Inspiration: 2010s: Shake It Off – Taylor Swift

Language Word of the week: Say hello in Swahili: 'Hujambo' (jambo)

ATTENDANCE BY YEAR GROUP



SPORTS NEWS

Our Y5 & 6 High Fives Netball Team put in a very strong performance against Grange Farm Primary on Thursday evening. It was the team's first league game of the season and they started this year's league campaign with an emphatic 12 - 0 victory. The parents watching commented on how well the children moved the ball across the court at times passing with pace and precision. For the second game running Bobby (Y6) was chosen by the players from the other school as the star player. Very well done Bobby. Well done to the team Megan, Mia W, Grace, Nicola, Summer, Theo, Charles and Bobby. Congratulations to Nicola who made her netball debut and scored a goal.

The girls Cross Country squad have continued with their training with Mr Coyle and Mr Tarn at Allesley Park. The training is hard involving a long run up the hill and through the park before performing hill repetitions and then running back. Mr Coyle is very impressed with the hard work that the girls are putting in during this session. The races will take place at Bablake Fields on Saturday 2nd March - the first Saturday after half term.

Our girls had a fantastic time at the Indoor Football Tournament at Ryton on Tuesday evening. Placed in a difficult group with Bablake Primary, Finham Primary and Whoberley Primary, the girls won all three matches scoring 14 goals and conceding just 1. The girls now progress to the finals tournament which will be held on Tuesday 5th March at Ryton once more. Very well done to Summer, Mia, Megan, Grace, Alana and Isabel.

Finally, our next league fixture for the Netball Team is on the Monday we return when Spon Gate Primary are the visitors.

Pupil of the Week Awards

Pupil of the Week Awards go to:

- Jago - 1E: being resilient, showing a positive attitude to learning, and learning to blend.
- Maddison - 1P: being a kind and caring friend. It was lovely to see you sharing so nicely.
- Arjun - 2C: becoming more confident and believing in yourself. You are a superstar!
- Maryam - 2I: improved attitude to learning and her growing confidence in English. She is also working hard in Theme and Art.
- Isla - 3B: always challenging herself to do more, both at home and in school. Keep it up Isla!
- Callum - 3S: excellent behaviour in lessons and around school. We are all so proud of you. Well done!
- Sienna - 4C: settling in well and starting school with a positive, hard working attitude.
- Ellie - 4P: increased confidence and participation in lessons leading to some super progress in maths and writing.
- Daniel - 5P: an amazing, inventive piece of homework.
- Sam - 5L: his fantastic contributions in our Science and theme lessons. Sam is great to have in the classroom.
- Joseph - 6N: his excellent use of scientific language when classifying animals in Science.
- Charlotte - 6T: her excellent application of methods during an arithmetic test.

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 13 th February 2019	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Tuesday 5 th March 2019	Year 3 - Visit to Cadbury's World
Wednesday 13 th March 2019	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Tuesday 9 th April 2019	Parents Evening
Wednesday 10 th April 2019	Parents Evening
Thursday 11 th April 2019	PTA – Easter Disco
Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th May 2019	SATs week – Year 6
Wednesday 15 th May 2019	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Wednesday 12 th June 2019	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Friday 21 st June/Monday 24 th June 2019	Year 6 Skern Residential
Wednesday 3 rd July 2019	Moving on Day
Wednesday 3 rd July 2019	Nursery closed
Wednesday 3 rd July 2019	Year 6 – Leavers Ball
Wednesday 10 th July 2019	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Friday 12 th July 2019	Sports Day
Week beginning Monday 15 th July 2019	Year 6 Performances – days and times to be confirmed
Tuesday 16 th July 2019	Mystery Trip – Year 6
Friday 19 th July 2019	Nursery closed

DATES ARE ALSO UPDATED ON THE PARENT APP AND THE SCHOOL WEBSITE.

SAFEGUARDING AT ST CHRISTOPHER

At St Christopher Primary School, we take the role of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children very seriously. This means that we consider, at all times, what is in the best interests of children in our care.

We have a safeguarding policy and child protection policy, which include all of the advice and guidance given to us by Coventry City Council. These policies are available on the school website.

Children in school are aware of who they can talk to if they have any concerns and all staff who work at school receive safeguarding training regularly. Any concerns relating to the well-being of children are reported to the Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs).

The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs A Harrison



The Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Mrs C Robinson



The school's priority is the welfare of the children and in the interest of safeguarding, there may be occasions when the DSLs need to make contact with external agencies without parent's prior knowledge. Such consultations may result in a formal referral which could result in social care and/or police involvement.

We fully understand that this can be a distressing set of circumstances, but we can assure you that we sensitively and confidentially follow the procedures, which have been laid out by the Coventry safeguarding Team in order to meet the statutory responsibility to safeguard children.

SUPPORTING PARENTS IN THEIR CHILD'S FIRST YEARS

Building Blocks

With sessions tailored to meet your needs that take place in your home and involve the whole family, Building Blocks will:

- Support you to better understand your child's needs
- Enable you and your family to make positive changes together
- Help you to feel more confident as a parent

If you have a child aged 0-7 years old, please get in touch:

Being a parent or carer can be a rewarding but sometimes challenging role. Building Blocks can help you and your family.

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