



1st OCTOBER 2018 * AUTUMN TERM * ISSUE 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week again here in school. Reception pupils have visited me today to find out what I do in school. They were incredibly excited by the fact that I have a phone and a desk in my office. These little things really make us smile in school. Last year the Deputy Head was perceived as my little helper!

Catering

Tomorrow we have a special menu and we are looking forward to enjoying some delicious food. We are using the day to also launch our St Chris packed lunch which we are calling 'Lunch Pick & Mix'. There have always been sandwiches available but to further improve the sandwich offer the children will be able to choose four items for their Lunch Pick & Mix.

School Policies

Our website has a number of policies that explain what we do and how we go about things. If you are new to school or in Year 1, I encourage you to take a look at the following policies that are particularly relevant to our daily practice:

- Leave of Absence Policy (this talks through the process of pupils being absent in term time)
- First Aid Policy
- Behaviour Policy

Bikes and Scooters

Please remember that we ask pupils to dismount bikes and scooters as they enter school in order to prevent accidents. As always, please encourage the children to use the bike and scooter pods available for storage.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Robinson
Headteacher BEd Hons. NPQH

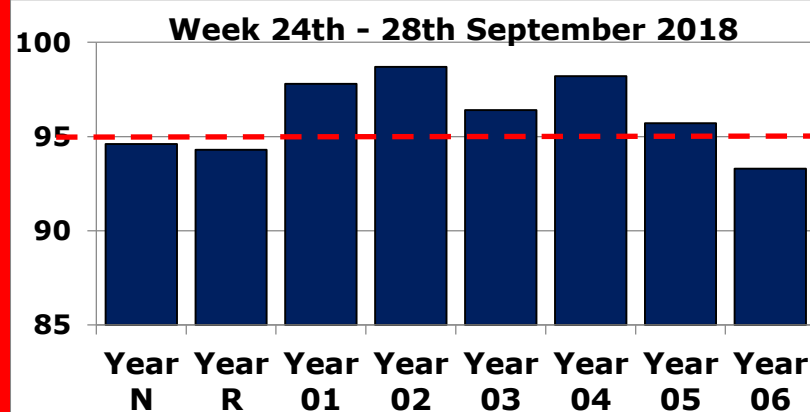
WEEKLY FOCUS

Assembly Focus: Black History Month

Musical Inspiration: Saint Louis Blues – W.C. Handy & orchestra

Language Word of the week: say hello in Turkish – Merhaba (mair-hobba)

ATTENDANCE BY YEAR GROUP



SPORTS NEWS

The sports fixtures are taking shape with lots of schools approaching St. Christopher for friendly matches. The draw for the first round of the Year 5 & 6 Boys Football Cup has been made and St. Christopher have been drawn at home to play Grange Farm. Last year, the boys made it to the quarter final stages before losing narrowly 1-0 to Park Gate Primary. The year before that they got to the semi-final losing narrowly to Christ the King Primary. Mr Coyle hopes the team this year can enjoy a good cup run again.

In PE, our Y6 children have been working on fitness assessments this half-term including agility tests and the bleep test. They have also been working on a variety of athletic disciplines as they begin to prepare for the Indoor Sportshall Athletics competition. The Netball club, Girls Football club and the Cross Country club are also in full swing as we move into the Autumn when competitions start to come thick and fast.

RECEPTION – YEAR 6

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR CHILDS FLU
VACCINATION FORM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
THANK YOU**

Pupil of the Week Awards



Pupil of the Week Awards go to:

Maisie - 1E: always giving 110% to everything and super creative homework.

Jacob - 1P: some brilliant instructions for how to make a sandwich. He persevered even though it was a challenge.

Robson - 2C: an amazing attitude towards his learning and for always being enthusiastic.

Efraim - 2I: settling in really well at St Christopher and showing enthusiasm to learn and kindness to friends.

Leo - 3B: fantastic effort throughout school, especially with his reading. Keep it up Leo!

Cain - 3S: great effort and enthusiasm in lessons particularly in Maths.

Olivia - 4C: demonstrating a positive attitude towards completing her work and for listening carefully to adults

Ashling - 4P: fantastic knowledge of Science lessons. Ashling listens carefully and loves to share her thoughts and ideas!

Isabella - 5L: showing a fantastic and committed attitude towards her learning both at school and at home.

Niamh - 5P: her attention to presentation in every lesson. Niamh really is an enthusiastic learner.

Holly - 6N: her excellent effort and attention to detail when writing for a sustained period.

Maya - 6T: her exceptional effort and attitude in all lessons.

Well done to all of the above pupils



PLAYPALS OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB MONDAY 22ND OCTOBER – FRIDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2018

Application forms are available from the school office or PlayPals. As places are limited please return the booking form to the school office or PlayPals no later than Friday 5th October 2018 to be considered for a place.

October half term holiday club activities:

GROUP GAMES

LET'S PLAY COUNTDOWN

DINOSAUR EXCAVATION

DECORATE A TILE FOR SOMEONE SPECIAL

LEAF PAINTING

MASTERCHEF

POM POM MAKING

MAD SCIENCE LAB

TEAM GAMES

PARACHUTE GAMES

CARTOON AFTERNOON

NAME COLLAGE

COFFEE FILTER BUTTERFLIES

NATURE TREASURE BOX

and many more

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

Wednesday 10 th October 2018	Single Head Photos – further details to follow
Wednesday 10 th October 2018	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Thursday 18 th October 2018	Nasal Flu Vaccinations – Reception – Year 5
Thursday 18 th October 2018	Halloween Disco - 3.30pm-4.45pm Yrs. 1, 2 & 3 & 5.00pm-6.30pm Yrs. 4,5 & 6
Wednesday 14 th November 2018	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Friday 16 th November 2018	Children in Need – further details to follow
Friday 30 th November 2018	PTA – Christmas Fete – further details to follow
Wednesday 12 th December 2018	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Monday 17 th December 2018	Nursery Sing-along – further details to follow
Tuesday 18 th December 2018	Reception Christmas Performance – afternoon – further details to follow
Wednesday 19 th December 2018	Reception Christmas Performance – evening – further details to follow
Wednesday 19 th December 2018	Christmas Dinner for children – further details to follow
Friday 21 st December 2018	Nursery closed
Friday 21 st December 2018	Christmas Jumper Day/Toy Day
Friday 11 th January 2019	Mid-Year Reports out
Wednesday 16 th January 2019	Parents drop-in for Mid-Year Reports – further details to follow
Wednesday 16 th January 2019	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Wednesday 23 rd January 2019	Young Voices - further details to follow
Monday 4 th February 2019	SATs meeting for parents – Year 2 - further details to follow
Monday 11 th February 2019	SATs meeting for parents – Year 6 - further details to follow
Wednesday 13 th February 2019	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Wednesday 13 th March 2019	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Tuesday 9 th April 2019	Parents Evening - further details to follow
Wednesday 10 th April 2019	Parents Evening - further details to follow
Thursday 11 th April 2019	PTA – Easter Disco – further details to follow
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
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
Tuesday 16 th July 2019	Mystery Trip – Year 6 – further details to follow
Friday 19 th July 2019	Nursery closed