



# St Christopher Community Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have enjoyed a colder and drier week- they (and we!) have not missed the rain at all!

### Playground equipment

As explained in the Junior Leadership team letter, we have worked hard to ensure pupils have various things to play with on both playgrounds. Our most recent equipment includes two table tennis tables- already being enjoyed by the children during their downtime.

### SATs Meeting Year 2/Year 6

I was massively impressed with the number of parents who joined us for the Year 6 SATs meeting. It was the highest turnout. Thank you Year 6 parents - we hope you found the session helpful. The presentation slides have been sent via email.

The **Year 2 meeting is on Monday @ 5pm**. It would be amazing to have a similar turnout to Year 6 with every child represented. We can help with child care so if you have to bring children along with you then we will have something to occupy them - we will also have the kettle on as we appreciate many of you will come straight from work.

### Year 2 Gymnastics competition

How wonderful to see our Year 2 in city wide competitions. They did so well and we are so proud. We must give credit to Flix Gym – Nikki Wood Edens and her team who have trained these children well.

### VR Headsets

I do hope you have had a chance to look on twitter. All your support at PTA events has enabled 30 VR headsets to be purchased. To say these will enhance the curriculum is an understatement. All pupils will be able to access these across school and in all areas – the sets bring the outside world into life in the classroom. I must say a big thank-you to Mr Nagra who is so knowledgeable about IT. He consistently keeps abreast of developments and enables us to keep up with changes in technology and get the best equipment for our school.

### Mrs Loysin-Stokes

Mrs Loysin-Stokes starts her maternity leave today. I would like to wish her a healthy and happy time over the next few months. Mr Harriet has settled in well – thank you to Year 3 parents for making him so welcome - he will look after Mrs Loysin-Stokes class for the rest of the year.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Robinson  
Headteacher BEd Hons. NPQH

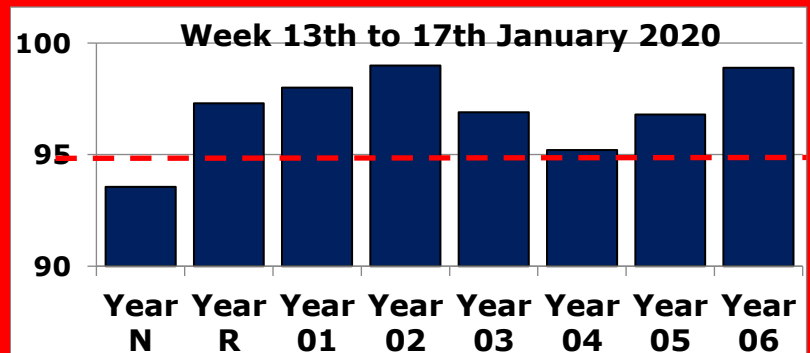
### WEEKLY FOCUS

**Assembly Theme: Martin Luther King Day**

**Musical Inspiration: Symphony No.5 (Allegro) – Ludwig van Beethoven**

**Language Word of the Week: say hello in Urdu - āssālam**

### ATTENDANCE BY YEAR GROUP



### PLAYPALS

#### FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB

**Monday 24th February - Friday 28th February. Booking forms need to be in no later than Friday 7th February. Please collect a booking form from Playpals or the School office.**

**Make your own pencil pots \* Ninja stress balls \* Cooking Sock Worms \* Have a go at 'marbling'**

**Group games: Elephant tennis \* Heads and Shoulders**

**Friendship Bracelets \* Crazy gloves \* Hamma beads**

**Free choice \* Music Madness \* Light and dark picture**

### YEAR 6 – SKERN

**REMINDER: THIS NEEDS TO BE PAID IN FULL NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020. THANK YOU**

## **SPORTS NEWS**

Our Year 2 children had a fantastic time at the gymnastics tournament at Tribe Centre on Monday. The facilities and coaches at the centre are amazing and in between the competition rounds the children from all of the schools were allowed to use the tumble run, sprung floor and trampolines. The competition involved sixteen schools with our team finishing runners up to eventual winners Grange Farm Primary School by just 0.5 of one point. The top two teams progress to the County final. With one more day of competitions to come, our team have the second-best score overall and are in a great position to qualify. This will be a school record should it happen. We have come close in the past to qualifying for the final, so our fingers are crossed for the children this time.

Our extra-curricular clubs for the Spring term start this week and it's brilliant to see all of the clubs full and children being able to access such a wide variety of activities. This is due, in many cases, to the support of the teaching staff and parents and we cannot thank them enough for giving up their free time to ensure the children have the opportunity to engage in such fun activities.

Next week our girls football team continue their league campaign with a trip to St John Vianney Primary School so we wish them luck there.

## **Pupil of the Week Awards**

**Pupil of the Week Awards go to:**

**Tommy – 1S: always being a very kind and helpful member of our class!**

**Nicholas - 1W: always following the golden rules. Trying his best and being a kind friend to others.**

**Ibrahim – 2C: trying hard in every lessons! Your writing has improved so much. Well done for never giving up!**

**Joseph – 2I: always trying his best in all areas around school and following the golden rules. Well done Joseph.**

**Chloe - 3M: Making a great start in her new English Class and putting in lots of effort in her writing.**

**Robson – 3S: super Spanish when revising numbers and greetings! Well done**

**Joseph - 4C: Improved effort during English and Maths-Joseph is eager to answer questions and join in.**

**Caleb - 4P: trying to use expressive language and exciting vocabulary in his writing.**

**Ellie-Mai – 5L: working productively and challenging herself in English lessons on conjunctions.**

**Michael - 5P: his hard work in every lesson, striving to be the best he can be.**

**Reggie – 6T: displaying excellent problem solving ability in Maths.**

**Daniel - 6N: his enthusiasm and focus when learning about WWII.**

**Well done to all of the above pupils**