

Newsletter 15-Friday 10th January 2025

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**



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LETTER FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Good afternoon,

Welcome back to a very cold start to Term 3. Please make sure you wrap your children up nice and warm to come to school. We are looking forward to the term with lots of things planned including the Young Voices for 2025. We have two new members of staff starting with us, Mrs. Rogers is the new teacher in Year 4 and Mrs. Tattersall has joined our support staff team.

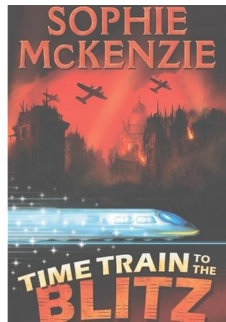
Have a peaceful weekend and we'll see you on Monday.

COLD WEATHER

As the weather has gotten colder, please remember to send your child to school with the following, labelled with their name: **Hat, Gloves, Scarf and Coat.**

Even on milder days, it can get chilly, especially during playtime. Having the right clothing will ensure your child can enjoy outdoor activities and stay comfortable throughout the school day.

BOOK OF THE WEEK



Our Reading for Pleasure Service takes place every Wednesday. Reading for pleasure is a wonderful way to spark imagination, develop empathy, and improve language skills. It's a chance to escape into different worlds, meet fascinating characters, and learn new things.

Each week, one of our teachers will share their favourite book and read a short extract from it. The book will then be displayed in our foyer and will be available for pupils to borrow. This is a great opportunity for the children to discover new authors and genres, and to find books that you and your child will enjoy reading together.

This week, Mr James shared his favourite book to teach in school, *Time Train to the Blitz* by Sophie McKenzie.

'It all starts when a mysterious train appears in the park. Before they know what's happening, Joe and Scarlett are whisked away on a journey back in time.

Magically transported to World War II, they're given a mission: to save a young boy's life. But with bombs falling on London, they find they are counting down to disaster... Travelling back to danger...May 1941, London, The Blitz.'

PROTECTING KIDS ONLINE

It's crucial to be aware of the games your children play and ensure they are age-appropriate. Games with mature content can expose children to violence, strong language, and sexual themes that may be harmful.

Parental Controls: Most gaming systems and online platforms offer parental controls. Utilize these features to restrict access to mature games and monitor online activity.

Make sure there is open communication: Talk to your children about the games they enjoy and any concerns you may have.

For more information go to <https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/help-my-child-wants-to-play-games-that-are-too-old-for-them>

READING AT HOME

Please can we remind families that all children must read to to an adult at least 4 times a week. This is the **only** homework that our pupils need to do, and will earn their class points to win a prize.

Please see the table below to see how well each class did this week:

Year	R	1	2	3	4	5	6
Read 4 times	59%	25%	46%	45%	38%	25%	63%

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK...

Year	R	1	2	3	4	5	6
Attendance	99%	99%	96%	89%	95%	98%	98%
WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE: 96%							

Getting your child to school on time really matters		
If in a school year your child is late everyday	Your child would have lost approximately	Or they would have missed approximately
5 Minutes	3 days from school	16 lessons lost
10 Minutes	5 days from school	32 lessons lost
15 Minutes	8 days from school	48 lessons lost
20 Minutes	11 days from school	63 lessons lost
30 Minutes	16 days from school	95 lessons lost



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Should I keep my child off school?



Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

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Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

OPAL PLAY NEWS

Christ Church C.E. Primary School

Attention parents of Christ Church!

OPAL PLAY DONATIONS NEEDED!

We are enriching our OPAL play program and need your help.
Do you have any of the following items at home that you could donate?

- Buckets & Spades
- Plastic Containers
- Dressing Up Clothes
- Old Phones
- Keyboards
- Cable drums
- Children's Umbrellas
- Saucepans, frying pans & kitchen utensils

Every little bit helps! Thank you for supporting our children's playtime adventures!

We are always looking for any donations of used loose parts to enhance our play so please check the list below before you throw anything out!

The Play Types

- Symbolic Play
- Locomotor Play
- Recapitulative Play
- Creative Play
- Exploratory Play
- Communication Play
- Socio-dramatic Play
- Role Play
- Fantasy Play
- Object Play
- Mastery Play
- Deep Play
- Rough and Tumble Play
- Dramatic Play
- Social Play
- Imaginative Play

Opal Supporting school improvement through play www.outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk @OPAL_CE @OpalOutdoorplay

Natural Loose Parts

Acorns	Grass	Leaves	Logs	Pine Cones	Rain & Water	Sand
Snow	Shells	Soil	Sticks	Stones	Wild Flowers	Wood Cookies



PERSONAL BEST AWARDS



Every week, Personal Best certificates are awarded to children who have been recognised for their hard work and fantastic attitudes.

Reception - Riley for being a superstar!

Year One - Amelia for engaging well in learning this week.

Year Two - Desi for working really hard and joining in with class discussions.

Year Three- Luna for excellent punctuality and engagement.

Year Four - Ezra for challenging herself with some tricky maths.

Year Five - Seb for controlled gymnastics.

Year Six - Kayleen for showing tremendous effort since joining our school.

DOJO CERTIFICATES

Dojo points are Christ Church Primary School's own way of rewarding pupils for outstanding work & behaviour. Once a pupil has earned enough points they are awarded a certificate during school assembly to celebrate all their hard work.

Bronze (75 points) Ahmad in Year 4, Giovanna and Nigel in Year 5, Grace, Isaac, Szymon and Willow in Year 6.

Silver (150 points) Alvin, Antonia, Arsalan, Filip, and Lucy in Year 4, Thea, Ruby, Erin, Cedrick and Albie in Year 5, Archie, Joshua, Oli, & Silvie in Year 6.

Ruby (225 points) Amelia, Ashleigh, Jugaad, Lily, Diesel, Ella, Kelan, Mahir in Year 1, Eric, Denis, Anna, Lottie, Flavius, Daria, Arthur & Kacey in Year 2.

Gold (300 points)

Sapphire (375 points)

Platinum (450 points)

Gemstone (525 points)

Rainbow (600 points)

[Headteachers Awards](#)



A Headteacher Award is given to children for exceptional work of which they should be proud!

Well done to Yanek, Rose, Chloe, Finley & Kevin in Year 3 for their persuasive writing to Mr James, and to Amy, Ethan, Sonya & Myles in Year 1 for their great easy to follow story mapping of the Three Little Pigs.

Stars of the Week & Star Writer



Our Star of the week awards are awarded weekly to pupils and staff.

Our Star of the week is: Alif - for being brave and trying new foods which he is enjoying.

Our adult Star of the Week is: Mrs. Tattersall - For settling into her new role within our school

Our Star Writer is: N/A this week

Quick guide to FREE SCHOOL MEALS

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

If you receive any of these you will qualify:

- ✓ Income support
- ✓ income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- ✓ income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- ✓ support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ✓ the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- ✓ Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- ✓ Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- ✓ Universal Credit with annual take home pay/net earnings below £7,400 (which equals £616.67 per month) benefits not included.

WHAT IS FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Free school meals from Reception to Year 6,
Free holiday provision during the Christmas, Easter and Summer holidays through the Holiday (Activities and Food (HAF) programme), and help towards uniform & school trips.



To apply visit

<https://n-somerset.gov.uk/my-services/schools-learning/local-schools/free-school-meals> or scan the QR code



We are here to help

If you need any help applying or have any questions, please visit the school office.

Call: 01934 620738 Email: office@christchurchprimaryschool.org

Pizza making and hearing your voice!

We are setting up a new project and need the voices of young people.

What is impacting on young people's wellbeing?

What is causing barriers for young people to attend school?

What needs to change and what support is needed?

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact:
laura.brain@n-somerset.gov.uk

Join us to discuss these questions, whilst making pizza!

We will be holding two sessions:

Tuesday 14 January and
Thursday 16 January 2025 at
Nailsea and Backwell Children's
Centre, Pound Lane, BS48 2NP.

Both running from 4pm - 5.30pm



North Somerset
children's
centres



Dates for your Diary

CLUBS

Lego Club (Year 1, 2 3 & 4) Tuesdays

Little Kickers (Reception, Year 1, & 2) Thursdays

Multisports Club Mondays (Year 1 & 2), Tuesdays (Year 3 & 4) Wednesdays (Year 5 & 6)

Art Club (Year 3, 4, 5, 6) Mondays

PE DAYS

Monday - Year 5 (group A Swimming KIT, group B PE KIT) & Year 1

Tuesday - **Year 3**

Wednesday - **Reception Class & Year 4**

Thursday - **Year 2**

Friday - **Year 5 & 6**

EVENTS

Monday 27th January - Y6 to Lifeskills

Friday 31st January - Young Voices Concert

INSERVICE DAYS - School closed

Friday 28th February 2025



**CHRIST CHURCH CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
BAKER STREET, WESTON-SUPER-MARE**

**SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES
2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR**

TERM 1

Starts: Monday 2 September 2024
Ends: Friday 25 October 2024

TERM 2

Starts: Monday 4 November 2024
Ends: Friday 20 December 2024

TERM 3

Starts: Monday 6 January 2025
Ends: Friday 14 February 2025

TERM 4

Starts: Monday 24 February 2025
Ends: Friday 4 April 2025

TERM 5

Starts: Tuesday 22 April 2025
Ends: Friday 23 May 2025

TERM 6

Starts: Monday 2 June 2025
Ends: Tuesday 22 July 2025

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON:

Friday 18 April 2025 – Good Friday
Monday 21 April 2025 – Easter Monday
Monday 5 May 2025 - May Bank Holiday

INSERVICE DAYS – THE SCHOOL WILL ALSO BE CLOSED TO CHILDREN ON:

2nd and 3rd September 2024
25 October 2024
6th January 2025
28th February 2025

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