



# St Christopher Community Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Year 3 and 4 Visits

Year 3 and Year 4 pupils have been on trips to The Sea-life Centre and Cadbury's World. The children enjoyed the experience and were a credit to the school. The trips link in with the themes that the children are working on in class.

### Funding Cuts

I hope that you have managed to make some sense of the funding consultation. As explained in the letter yesterday the easiest way to respond is via the petition. The petition needs 100,000 signatures and there are only 30,000 so far, please consider signing this today to help us maintain the number of staff we have in school. Please refer to the letter emailed yesterday.

### Maths Tuition

I am aware that some parents choose to support their child with Maths using tutors at home. This is not a problem as every bit of support helps. However, please ensure the tutor is knowledgeable about the National Curriculum and teaches Maths methods in the same we do in school otherwise children can become very confused. There is a document called 'Maths Methods' on the website under the curriculum tab. This is what the teachers use to guide them when teaching Maths too. I hope this is useful to you.

### Comic Relief

Mrs Harrison and the Junior Leadership Team have been enjoying judging the heats in readiness for the Talent Show on Friday. Please don't forget that we have a 'red' non uniform day and other exciting things going on.

### Governor Visits

Two of our governors spend time in school on a weekly basis. This gives them first hand experience of what it is like in school for pupils on a daily basis. Some of our other governors are visiting tomorrow morning. They will be spending time in the classroom, hearing readers and talking to the children. The visiting governors will also be on the playground first thing to talk to parents. If you see them and wish to ask questions then I am sure they will be happy to chat with you. If you have positive things to say or to share with them then I am sure they will also be delighted to hear whatever you have to say.

Yours sincerely,

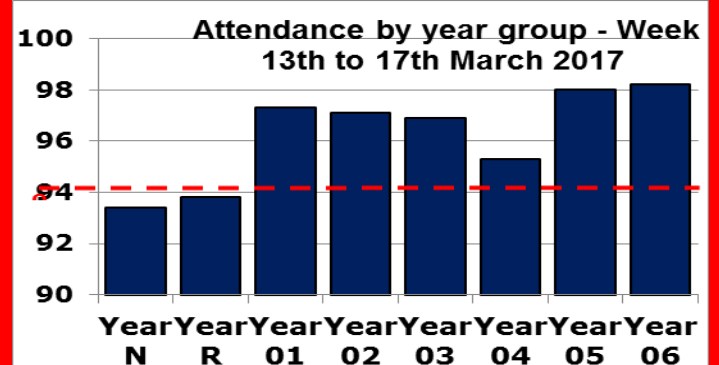
Mrs C Robinson  
Headteacher BEd Hons. NPQH

### WEEKLY FOCUS

Assembly Focus: Comic Relief

Musical Inspiration: Chuck Berry - Johnny B. Goode

### ATTENDANCE BY YEAR GROUP



### Sports News

The St. Christopher children have enjoyed another successful week of sport. On Friday, the Year 6 Sportshall Athletics team travelled to the Xcel Centre for the Coventry West Plate Final. The children competed in several indoor track and field events against three other schools Allesley Primary, Moseley Primary and Hearsall Primary. It was a hugely exciting and very close contest across the schools. The children enjoyed it immensely and were thrilled to win. It was very pleasing to see at the end of the contest the St. Christopher children shake hands with the children from the other schools as sign of sportsmanship and respect. Mr Coyle, Miss Potter and Miss Knighton said that this made them particularly proud.

On Saturday morning, the Year 5 and 6 Cross-Country children took part in the Coventry Primary Schools Relay Races. Over 40 other schools were involved. The St. Christopher children performed brilliantly. The mixed relay team finished 10th (the second best in our school's history). The girls relay team finished 7th (equalling the best result in the school's history) and the boys finished 5th (also equalling the best result for a Boys relay team in the school's history). The results for the three races when combined confirmed St. Christopher's Cross Country squad to be the best performing state Primary school on the day, beaten only by Bablake Primary. This is a fantastic achievement by the children and a testament to all the hard work and effort they have put in. Credit must also go to Mr. Tarn and Mr. Coyle for supporting the children in the lunchtime running club. This week sees the Girls Netball Team playing their final league fixture of the season.

Mrs West and Mr Coyle still have high hopes that the girls and boys can reach the netball finals day. This Saturday the Girls Football Team travel to Nottingham to take part in the English Schools Football Association Midlands Area Final. The girls continue to enjoy an amazingly successful season. and we wish them all the very best on Saturday.

### SCHOOL CLUBS

**ALL CLUBS FINISH ON FRIDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2017. THANK YOU**

## PLAYPALS – EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

Playpals will be open during the Easter Holidays. Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2017. Booking forms are now available from the School Office or PlayPals.



## HEALTH FOR KIDS

Health for Kids is a learning website for children aged 4-11 years old, brought to you by the NHS, it is run by the School Nursing Team: [www.healthforkids.co.uk](http://www.healthforkids.co.uk)

## SKERN LODGE – PAYMENT

A reminder that Skern Lodge needs to be paid in full by **24<sup>th</sup> March 2017** at the latest. Thank you

## Pupil of the Week Awards



### Pupil of the Week Awards go to:

Lucas - 1C: singing beautifully and playing an instrument in time with the music - well done!

Jenson - 1W: working super hard to write his sentences without an adult nearby. Keep it up!

Cavan - 2H: persevering when writing and producing a super story.

Bethan - 2K: always trying her very best in every lesson and being a fantastic role model.  
Well done Bethan.

Megan - 4I: an improvement in writing using a range of features for different text types, especially structure with openers.

James - 4P: his oil pastel drawing of sea life.

Taylor - 5N: showing a huge improvement in his Maths assessments through hard work and determination.

Joseph - 5T: applying skills he has learnt in lessons when completing recent assessments.

Cameron - 6E: his fantastic application of skills and knowledge during assessment week.

Erin - 6L: becoming much more consistent in her scores in our weekly times table challenge and for scoring her first 95 out of 95!

**Well done to all of the above**

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

Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	Comic Relief
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	PTA meeting – 7.00 pm
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	PTA – Easter Disco and Games Event – further information to follow
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Parents Evening – - further information to follow
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Parents Evening - further information to follow
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2017	May bank holiday day – school closed
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	YEAR 6 SATS WEEK
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	Staff Training day – school closed for pupils
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2017	PTA – Summer Fete
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June – Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2017	Y6 Residential Skern Lodge Devon
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Transition Day/Year 6 Ball
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Sports Day
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Year 2 Performance
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Year 6 Evening Performance
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Year 6 Afternoon Performance and leaving assembly
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	Mystery Trip – Year 6