



St Christopher Community Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Children In Need

You and your family supported Children In Need last Friday. As a result of this St Christopher raised £762.86! Our Junior Leadership team led by Mrs Harrison did a wonderful job of organising the day itself. Pupils enjoyed eating the cakes and placing coins on our Pudsey. Thanks so much for your generosity.

Girls Football

In the sports news Mr Coyle has reported on the remarkable achievement of our Girls Football Team. Here they are. Special thanks to the parents and staff who supported them on that very cold morning!



Reception Open Day

Tomorrow we are welcoming some parents who will be looking around school and considering St Christopher for their child. We are looking forward to seeing these parents; some of whom are currently in our Nursery.

Extra Funding

- Schools can claim extra funding that they can use to further support pupils education. All school budgets are facing cuts and it is therefore so important that we claim as much for St Christopher as we can. If you are entitled to the following **please, please, please** click online and complete the form
- Income Support
- income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- an income-related employment and support allowance
- support under part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190

www.coventry.gov.uk/applyforfreeschoolmeals. **Please don't be put off by the free school meals-** if you apply, your child doesn't have to have the meal and if they already have free school meals like all pupils up to Year 2 there is still further funding available for us in school. The funding can make such a difference. It helps us to employ more staff and so much more! Should you require some help to complete this our Family Support Worker Miss Penn will gladly help you. She can be contacted via the main office.

Yours Sincerely

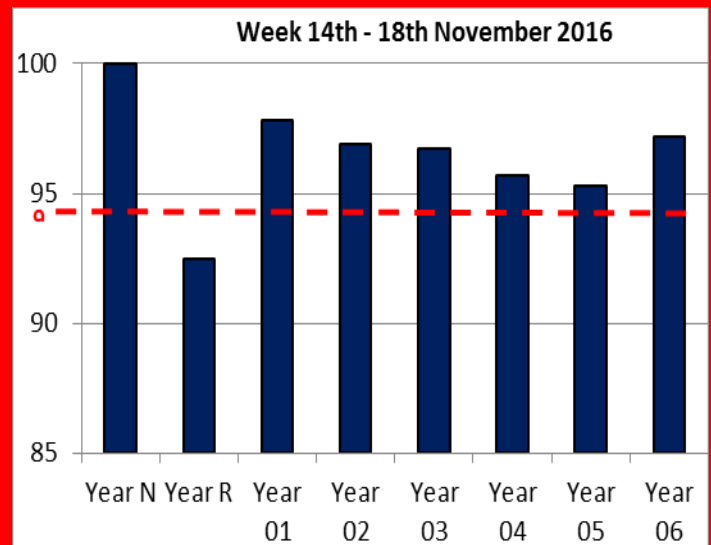
Mrs Robinson
Headteacher BEd Hons. NPQH

WEEKLY FOCUS

Assembly Focus: Road Safety week

Musical Inspiration: Hello/Lacrimosa – The Piano Guys

ATTENDANCE BY YEAR GROUP



Sports News

Last Saturday our Year 5 & 6 Girls Football Team created St. Christopher Primary School history, by winning the Coventry area final of the Primary Schools Football Association competition. The girls have qualified as the team to represent Coventry Primary Schools in the Regional finals. This is the first time that a football team from St Christopher has qualified for a regional final. The finals will be held in Birmingham on Saturday 3rd December. Last Saturday on a cold, bright frosty morning the girls, supported by Miss Potter and Mrs Robinson, entertained Manor Park Primary and Pearl Hyde Primary here at St. Christopher. The girls won both of their games 2-0. This means they have gone through the qualifying and finals tournament having played six matches without losing a game or even conceding a goal - an amazing achievement! The team Mia, Rhia, Evie, Georgia, Erin, Alisha (Year 6) and Mekriban, Saffiyah, Scarlett, Ellie (Year 5) have all performed brilliantly and were delighted to receive medals and the trophy. This week Mr Coyle and Miss Potter are taking a Year 6 team to a qualifying tournament for the Sports Hall Athletics tournament. They will be competing against Stivichall Primary, Leigh Primary and Eastern Green Primary. Next Thursday the Year 6 Netball team begin their league campaign with a home match against Leigh Primary. The Boys Year 5/6 Football Team entertain Holbrook Primary in the next round of the Ben Whelan Trophy too!

Its a busy time for sport at St. Christopher!

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

The Christmas Tree Festival at St Christopher's Church, Winsford Avenue, will be held on December 3rd and 4th. Come and view the decorated trees and vote for your favourite! The church will be open from 2 - 4pm on Saturday December 3rd and from 3 - 5pm on Sunday December 4th. Entry is free and refreshments will be available.

REMINDER - SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DINNER

Children who do not normally have school dinner

Please inform the school office if your child would like to join in with the Christmas dinner by **Thursday 1st December at the latest.**

Pupil of the Week Awards



Pupil of the Week Awards go to:

- Freya - 1C: adding with money in Maths and working more independently. Well done!
- Scarlett - 1W: following her design carefully to make a rocket for the missing alien
- Matilda - 2H: thoughtful contributions in Jigsaw lessons and for thinking for herself
- Evie - 2K: excellent effort with her reading and spellings. Keep up the good work Evie
- Jacob - 3D: his fantastic understanding of the Earth's layers
- Edward - 3M: his enthusiasm and fantastic contributions during Theme lessons
- Alana - 4I: her super teamwork during a Theme lesson
- Reegan - 4P: fantastic progress with addition method in Maths and explaining using relevant vocabulary
- Oliver - 5N: showing great ability when carrying out complex transactions on our Coventry Building Society trip
- Ismail - 5T: his clear and detailed explanations of mathematical concepts
- Ayyub - 6E: designing and making a superb scale model of an Anderson shelter
- Megan - 6L: designing and producing a fantastic and realistic model of an Anderson shelter

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)

Thursday 24 th November 2016	Reception Open Day (for 2017 intake)
Wednesday 30 th November 2016	PTA Meeting – 7.00 pm
Friday 2 nd December 2016	PTA – Christmas Fair and Non-Uniform Day
Monday 5 th December 2016	Reception – Stay and Play session 2.45 pm
Wednesday 7 th December 2016	Nursery – Stay and Play session 10.45 am and 2.10 pm
	Reception Stay and Play session 2.45 pm
Thursday 8 th December 2016	Nursery – Stay and Play session 10.45 am and 2.10 pm
Thursday 8 th December 2016	Christmas Dinner
Friday 9 th December 2016	Nursery – Stay and Play session 10.45 am and 2.10 pm
	Reception Stay and Play session 2.45 pm
Monday 12 th December 2016	Nursery – Christmas sing along - 2.15 pm
Tuesday 13 th December 2016	Nursery – Christmas sing along - 10.45 am
Wednesday 14 th December 2016	Reception Performance PM – Letter sent
Thursday 15 th December 2016	Reception Performance evening – Letter sent
Friday 16 th December 2016	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 3 rd January 2017	Staff Training day – school closed for pupils – Nursery visit PM for prospective parents
Wednesday 25 th January 2017	Drop in for Mid-Year reports – - further information to follow
Monday 6 th February 2017	KS2 SATS Information Evening for parents – further information to follow
Monday 13 th February 2017	KS1 SATS Information Evening for parents – further information to follow
Thursday 6 th April 2017	PTA – Easter Disco and Games Event
Tuesday 25 th April 2017	Parents Evening – - further information to follow
Wednesday 26 th April 2017	Parents Evening - further information to follow
Monday 1 st May 2017	May bank holiday day – school closed
Monday 8 th May – FRIDAY 12 TH MAY 2017	YEAR 6 SATS WEEK
Friday 26 th May 2017	Staff Training day – school closed for pupils
Friday 16 th June 2017	PTA – Summer Fete
Friday 23 rd June – Monday 26 th June 2017	Y6 Residential Skern Lodge Devon
Wednesday 5 th July 2017	Transition Day/Year 6 Ball
Tuesday 11 th July 2017	Sports Day
Wednesday 12 th July 2017	Year 2 Performance
Monday 17 th July 2017	Year 6 Evening Performance
Tuesday 18 th July 2017	Year 6 Afternoon Performance and leaving assembly
Thursday 20 th July 2017	Mystery Trip – Year 6