



Christ Church CE VC Primary School

NEWSLETTER
February 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have enjoyed another full term, with children being inspired in a variety of ways to support their learning. This week we have landed many of our topics with lots of exciting activities. Year 3 have been making exploding volcanoes. While year 4 have been debating whether 'Theseus should be a hero'.

Year 5 enjoyed a trip to Dorchester Museum and the Tutankhamun exhibition. Year 1 have been discovering all about Robots and have been creating animations of robots made out of nuts and bolts. They landed their topic by inviting parents to watch their animations and look at their fantastic art work. We hope all the parents enjoyed their time.

A few weeks ago many of your year 5 and 6 children went to the O2 as part of Young Voices you can read what a great time they had in a report written by George and Tor. Thank you to all the adults that went especially Miss Brown for organising such a great experience.

Thank you to all the parents who came to our workshop on our updated spelling scheme. We have now added some of the information that was available at the workshop to our website. You can use QR code at the bottom of the page to help you link to the website.

On Tuesday it was Internet Safety Day, although Christ Church did not do anything special for this day, our computing curriculum constantly looks at internet safety with the children. However we will be focusing on this after half term. We have included some helpful links for parents to keep children safe when using the internet at home.

You will have seen that the building work has now started. The children have been very excited watching the different vehicles coming onto the site. Thank you for your patience while the building work takes place. You will be able to follow the progress of the build on the school website under projects.

I am pleased to inform you that we have received a letter from the local authority congratulating us on our Key Stage 2 SATS results for 2015/2016. We are in the top 10 schools in Wiltshire.

Today we have been visited by the staff from a school in Weymouth who have come to look around our school and be inspired by all the exciting learning that goes on at Christ Church. Our staff will be visiting their school on our next INSET day in March.

Finally I hope you have an enjoyable and safe holiday and thank you for your continued support over this last term.



Claire Hann-Perkins,

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Interim Headteacher

House points at the end of Term 3

Gryphon 2460 Dragon 2080 Unicorn 2000 Pegasus 1910

Term 4 begins on Monday 20 February 2017

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Dates for your diary



Term 4 Monday 20 February - Friday 7 April 2017

Monday 20 February	Term 4 begins - children return to school
Friday 24 February	Collective Worship for Rabbits Class (Year 2)
Friday 3 March	Collective Worship for Year 5 (Joint)
Monday 6 March	INSET Day - SCHOOL IS CLOSED
Wednesday 8 March	FOCCS Open Meeting
Friday 10 March	Collective Worship for 4HD
Wednesday 15 March	Christ Church Young Musicians concert 6.00pm
Friday 17 March	Collective Worship for 6JD
Friday 24 March	Collective Worship for Year 1 (Joint)
	Records of Achievement go home
Tuesday 28 March	Parents consultations 4.00 - 7.00pm <i>sign up sheets will be put up outside the school office the week before</i>
Wednesday 29 March	Parents consultations 4.00 - 7.00pm <i>sign up sheets will be put up outside the school office the week before</i>
Friday 31 March	Photographer in school for Class Photographs
3 - 7 April	Arts week
Friday 7 April	End of Term 4
	End of Term service in Christ Church (pupils only)
Saturday 15 April	FOCCS Easter Egg Hunt

Young Voices - Thursday 19th January 2017

Tor Fossberg and George Hearn (5GT)

It all started with a lively coach journey, full of film fun and telling jokes. We were excited but worried at the same time. When we saw all the tall buildings we knew we were near our destination. The O2 looked like a hedgehog dome with spikes. Imagine a place as big as a football stadium where the spikes are so tall they reach up to the sky, where people are scurrying around like ants, you are imagining the O2. Our hearts were thumping out of our chests when we saw the big O2 sign, this was real.

We had lunch in an artistic hexagonal Stonehenge with cable cars to the left side of us, immense buildings to our right. Entering the building we were all raring to go. We climbed steps that seemed to go on forever, the arena looming ahead of us. We got our first glimpse of the arena through one of the doors, it was massive. When we entered we were flabbergasted at the sheer size of it all. We were so high up, we could see everything. It was really scary, it was so steep. When we looked down or stood up it felt like we would fall.

The rehearsal was great, there were over 7.000 children and all our voices sounded amazing put together. The conductor was funny and serious at the same time.

We knew where our parents would be, (they were in the best seats). We were all gobsmacked when they all started to arrive. They looked minute from where we were but we could pick them out and waved frantically. The banner showed our parents our high position. The show kicked off with an amazing light show. It felt phantasmagorical. It felt incredible to be part of such a big team. Highlights were seeing the beat boxers, singing the pop medley, doing all the dance moves and just having the once in a lifetime experience. One we will never ever forget.

Thank you Miss Brown for making it all possible and to all the teachers, TAs and parent helpers who came along to support us on our amazing journey!

Thursday 19th January, 2017

O2 Arena, London

YOUNG
VOICES



A huge well done to all of Young Voices. Your beautiful singing, funky dance moves and endless enthusiasm made it a day to remember forever.

Bring on next year! Miss Brown 😊



Celebrating Childrens Achievements

Musical Theatre

Some Christ Church School pupils took Trinity Musical Theatre exams just before Christmas. They did really well and both groups achieved a Merit and each individual performer received a certificate with their name on it!

The pupils who took the exams were:

Grade 2 with a Merit

Hazel Tucker (3LM)

Bethany Nicholas (3LM)

Jasmine Robertson (3DH)

Jack Hobbs (5AH)

Ellena Ede (Woodpeckers)

Eva Jackson (Badgers)

Grade 5 with a Merit

Annabelle Swinney (6AR)

Oscar Belmont (6JD)

Daniel Hoyle (6JD)

Congratulations to everyone who took part!

Gymnastics

Well done to Tabitha Olivier (3LM) who has recently achieved her Grade 4 in Gymnastics. She has been invited to participate in an International Invitational Women's Artistic Gymnastics competition in Malta in July 2017.

If you have any news you would like to share in a newsletter or collective worship, please let Sarah Jones, Senior Admin Officer, know (admin@christchurch.wilts.sch.uk).

Internet Safety sites for parents

<http://www.childnet.com/resources/supporting-young-people-online>

<http://www.safetynetkids.org.uk/personal-safety/staying-safe-online/>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre>

Meeting re the new Vodaphone tower located at local BT exchange

Friday 10 February 2017 7.00pm Free Admission

United Church, St Margaret's Street, Bradford on Avon