



## Christ Church CE VC Primary School

### NEWSLETTER March 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term has been all about learning to be more independent. We have launched a new ELLI (Effective Life Long Learning Inventory) dimension which is our Independent bear. The launch has been aided by Rhianna Emberson in year 6 and her winning ELLI story which is helping us to launch the new dimension. The children have been challenged to see if they can be more independent with their learning. These are the things we have talked about that will help them to do this.

#### Independence

I learn well independently when I need to.

I listen to instructions carefully so I can begin a task on my own.

I use the resources in the classroom to help me when I get stuck.

Sometimes, I prefer to work at problems on my own.



The school netball team who successfully made it through the first round by coming second in the cluster tournament. They then played in a West Wilts tournament on Monday, winning their group and then going through to semi-final, where unfortunately they lost. However, they showed great sportsmanship and played well as a team. Well done and thank you to Mrs Blankley for organising the team and the parents who came to support.



The Dance Festival was a resounding success. Our year 3 and year 6 children performed brilliantly at the Bath Forum on 22 and 23 February and they were a credit to the school. Well done and thank you to Mrs Matthews for co-ordinating the event. A big thank you goes to FOCCS who funded the transport to the Dance Festival on both nights.



Our young musicians put on a fabulous concert for their parents this week showcasing their talents. They all performed brilliantly and the evening was a great success. A big thank you for the generous donations for refreshments which resulted in a collection of £120 for the music department! Thank you to all the parents who supported the event and to Rachel Wallis and Lyn Fenner for organising the event on the night.

Later this term we have Multicultural Arts Week to look forward to in the week commencing 3 April. Records of Achievement will be going home on Friday 24 March and parent consultations will take place the following week. Don't forget to book a slot for Tuesday 28 March or Wednesday 29 March.

Claire Hann-Perkins

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## Dates for your diary .....



### Term 4 Monday 20 February - Friday 7 April 2017

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 8 April	FOCCS Easter Egg Hunt

### Term 5 Monday 24 April - Friday 26 May 2017

Monday 24 April	Term 5 begins - children return to school
Friday 28 April	Collective Worship for Year 3 (Joint) Muftie Day for May Fayre
Monday 1 May	May Fayre - organised by FOCCS Bank Holiday - school closed to children
Friday 5 May	Collective Worship for 5AH
8 - 12 May	KS2 SATs week - NO MUSIC LESSONS IN SCHOOL
Tuesday 9 May	Foundation Storytelling Extravagnza for parents
Thursday 11 May	Foundation Storytelling Extravagnza for parents
Thursday 18 May	FOCCS Open Meeting 8.00pm
19 - 22 May	Year 6 Residential trip
Friday 26 May	End of Term 5 End of Term service in Christ Church (pupils only)

### **Change of Date for FOCCS School Disco**

Please note that there is a changed to advertised date for the end of year school disco. It will now take place on **Friday 16 June 2017**. Details of times will be published closer to the event.

### **FOCCS Easter Egg Hunt**

**Saturday 8 April 2017 1.00-3.00pm**

Buy your entry form (£2.00 per child) on the day in the Berryfield Hall

## **Proposed National Funding Formula**

### **Deadline for Responses to the Government - Wednesday 22 March 2017**

Please support the school by contacting your MP (draft letter available from the school office) to register your concerns and completing the survey on the link shown below:

<https://consult.education.gov.uk/funding-policy-unit/schools-national-funding-formula2/>

Thank you

## Our new building

The children have been very excited watching all the different vehicles arrive on the school site and it has been lovely to see that many children have been inspired to write about how the building is progressing. A special thank you to the year 1 boys who have been giving me regular written updates on how the building has been progressing.



It was particularly exciting seeing the building being delivered on the lorries and then craning them into place like 'giant Lego blocks'. It is hoped the building will be finished by the end of term.



## Maths to do at Home

The teachers have created some new maths games videos which will help you to practice your maths at home. Scan the QR code to take you to the page on the school website.



# Celebrating Childrens Achievements

## **Bath Half Marathon Family Fun Run**

Congratulations go to Alastair (Rabbits) and Matilda Carey (Squirrels) who both took part in the Bath Half Marathon Family Fun Run (1.5km) on Sunday 12 March 2017. They raised £40 for the British Heart Foundation. The reason they chose this charity was that Alastair was born with a hole in his heart. Well done to both of you!

## **2017 My Science Fair**

On Sunday 5 March the 2017 My Science Fair took place at the Wiltshire Music Centre. Lots of Christ Church pupils entered and congratulations go to the winners listed below:

Florence Squire (Badgers)	Year 1 Prize
Imogen Clack (Rabbits)	Year 2 Prize
Beth Stanger (3DH)	Year 3 Prize
Barnaby Squire (3DH)	Overall Prize for 'Best Link between Science and Music'

Well done everyone! It was lovely to see all your projects on display at Cake Day last week.

## **Music Composition and Radio Appearance**

Year 6 have been taking part in an Ice Composition Project with Mrs Knight and five boys from 6AR—Sammy Couch, Alex Maidment, Charlie Staddon, Edward Rhodes and Sam Rickard—were invited to BBC Radio Wiltshire in Swindon to perform their piece and talk about it. The boys were very professional and you can still hear the interview on BBC radio iplayer. Congratulations boys!

## **Gymnastics**

Izzy Brazeley (5AH) and Maya Jakubowski (4LH) in the Quatro Angel of the North Gymnastics Competition in Liverpool on 24 and 25 February 2017. Izzy came in 1st place in the Grade 5 group and Maya was 4th in the Grade 4 compulsory group. Congratulations to both girls.

## **Swimming**

Edie Norton (Woodpeckers) has just achieved her Level 4 swimming award and is moving on to Level 5. Congratulations Edie!

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](mailto:admin@christchurch.wilts.sch.uk)).



**Our Radio Fundraising Page:**  
[mydonate.bt.com/events/christchurchradio](http://mydonate.bt.com/events/christchurchradio)

We are very excited about the new FOCCS project to raise funding for our very own radio station.

Thank you to all those who have supported it so far. Please support the events coming up to help raise the £10,000 target.