



# CHRIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Well it looks as if Spring has finally sprung and we are hurtling towards Easter. With that in mind I thought I would inform you about a number of different events happening in school. First, at the end of this week you will be receiving a mid-year report for your child. The reports can be discussed with the class teacher during Parents' Evenings next week (appointment details to follow). Years 3,4,5 and 6 have special visitors coming in for Greek and Roman Days, which I am sure will be thoroughly enjoyed. We will be celebrating Mothering Sunday by inviting mums, nans and aunties into school for lunch on 22nd March (Reception, Year 1 and 2) and 29th March (Years 3,4,5 and 6) more information to follow. The Easter Service will be held at Christ Church Parish Church for years 1-6 on Tuesday 4th April and there will be an Easter Bonnet Parade for Nursery and Reception on Friday 7th April. This will also be the day of the 'Friends Of Christ Church Easter Egg Hunt. The ladies like to hold the Easter Egg Hunt, as it is a way they can give something to each and every pupil! Of course as we near the end of term we will be thinking about 'Stars of the Term' and organising our Attendance/Reward Trip.

The termly Attendance Week has been booked for week beginning 27th March. Can we beat 98% this time?

So all in all, we have a busy few weeks planned!

## Congratulations

It with a mix of happiness and sadness that I inform parents that Mrs Surrell will be leaving us at Easter, as she has been lucky enough to gain a promotion. Mrs Surrell will be head of the Primary phase at Jane Lane School. I am sure her nurturing and supportive character will be of huge benefit as she will be working with pupils with additional needs. Year 3 parents I will be writing to you separately to inform you of who will be teaching the class in the Summer term.

I am sure you will all want to join with me in wishing Mrs Surrell all the very best for the future and to say a huge thank you for the hard work and dedication she has shown to Christ Church!

## Attendance

I thought it would be good to share with parents our brilliant attendance news. When looking at attendance for those pupils of school age, we are currently operating at 96.1% which is a 1% improvement on last year.

With a looming Ofsted it is vital that we continue to be at or above 96% as anything below could lead to a lower judgement and none of want that!

Texts will continue to be sent out to those parents whose child's attendance is below 90%, even if they have taken time off for a family holiday. However, for 100% and the most improved attendance and punctuality there will be a reward trip at the end of the term.

**Attendance Week: Week beginning 27th March.**

## Red Nose Day

The School Council will be organising Comic Relief's Red Nose Day fundraising activities this year. They have ordered 120 red noses to be sold in school and would like all pupils to donate £1 to dress in something red on the actual day, Friday 24th March. They will also be selling decorated biscuits.

I am sure you will all support the School Council as they try to raise as much money as possible for a fantastic charity!

## Bryntysilio

Year 6 completed a fantastic residential trip to Bryntysilio just before the half term break. The comments that were passed on to us were amazing and made us all feel very proud of the pupils who attended. So well done, Year 6! The Year 5 trip has been booked and we will be holding a meeting in the near future!

## Miss Shabana

Another recent leaver is Miss Shabana, who has decided to go back to care work as the hours are far more suitable for her young family. Miss Shabana joined us in 2012 as a one-to-one support worker and has supported a number of pupils over the years. I would like to wish her good luck in her new role and happiness for her family. Many thanks, Miss!

# Diary Dates

Friday 10th March:	Mid Year Reports out
Monday 13th March:	Dance Festival
Tuesday 14th March:	Roman Day, Year 3 and 4
Wednesday 15th March:	Parents' Evening
Thursday 16th March:	Parents' Evening
Monday 20th March:	Greek Day, Year 5 and 6
Friday 31st March:	End of Term Reward Worship
Monday 3rd April:	Alice in Wonderland Production
Tuesday 4th April:	Easter Service at Church (9.30am)
Wednesday 5th March:	Reward Trips
Thursday 6th April:	Children's University Graduation
Friday 7th April:	Easter Bonnet Parade: 10.00am Break Up Easter: 1.30pm
Monday 24th April:	Inset Day
Tuesday 25th April:	School Re-Opens

Week beginning 8th May: Year 6 SATs

**Children's University Graduation:  
Thursday 6th April  
2.30 pm.**