



# The Christ Church Chronicle

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026



## This week

Hello Everyone,

I can't believe we are at the end of the first half term of 2026, where has the time gone? We have had a busy week with lots going on in school and of course Year 6 have been on their residential! The photos shared were fabulous, showing what a wonderful and adventurous time they all had!

I was also lucky enough to spend time with Nursery and Reception pupils when they visited the 'Toy Village' in the school hall! My make-up and nails were definitely on point after!

Moonlight also had a visit from 'Hits Radio' and they were enlisted in making an advert for 'HooZoo' where they visited last Friday! So listen out for the advert when it hits the airwaves in the future.

Wishing you all a lovely half term break, look forward to seeing you all on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, when the mornings and evenings will be a little bit lighter

Enjoy the week and stay safe!

## Vision and Values



### Vision and Values

I have a bit of an ask of you as parents. We are having a look at our current 'Vision and Values' statements and trying to work out if they are right for our school and the local community.

A lot has changed in the local area since the last time we did this, so I would really like to see what you think.

If you could spare a couple of minutes, please scan the QR code above and complete the survey, it would allow us to get a real feel for what parents believe our Vision and Values should be.

This will allow myself and the team to come up with new shared values that we all agree to and can work towards together.

## Reminders:

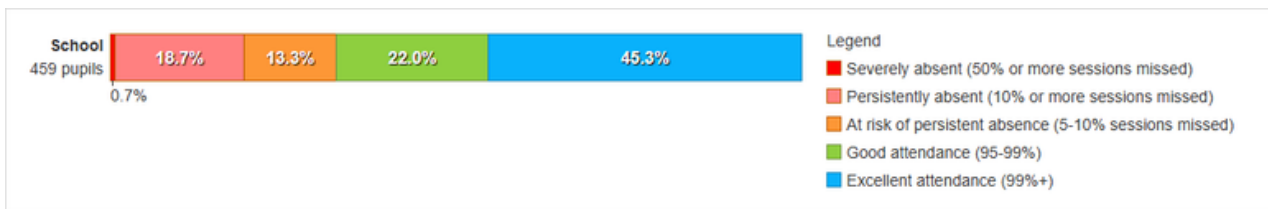
**We break up for February Half Term on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February at normal time of 3:15pm.**

**School is back open for all pupils on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.**

# Attendance

## Attendance percentage

School	94.6%
National	94.9%
Local Authority	94.5%



It is good to see that Christ Church is still above the Walsall Attendance level at the moment, however, you will note that we have dropped below the National level.

Hopefully, when we return we can catch up and continue with reaching our target of 97%.

A reminder that if your child is ill, it is vital that you let the school know as soon as possible by speaking to the Office or leaving a message on the answer phone. If we do not hear from you, we will pass on your home details to our Education Welfare Team, who will attend the family home to check on the welfare of your child.

Well done to all the children in the 99%+ band!! Great job!

## News from a PHASE

In Early Years this week, Nursery and Reception have been learning about different celebrations, including Valentine's Day and Pancake Day. On Tuesday, they were very lucky to have a visit from the Little Kid Town Role Play Village. The children were able to explore so many different places. When I popped in to see the children, they were busy taking care of the animals on the farm, paying for their food at the shop and even having their own little campfire! It was lovely to see all of their smiles and interactions as they worked together!

# ★ Stars of the Week ★

## Reception & KS1

**Reception 1:** Paisley-Rae A

**Reception 2:** Ruby F

**Year 1 Red:** Lincoln N

**Year 1 Orange:** Jessica W

**Year 2 Green:** Erin A

**Year 2 Yellow:** Seerat S

## KS2

**Year 3 Thomson:** Melodie W

**Year 3 Tolley:** Ella A

**Year 4 Ansell:** Kavish

**Year 4 Brandrick:** Mabel A

**Year 5 Chapman:** Annie O

**Year 5 Hall:** Kani A

**Year 6 Couchman:** Condoover

**Year 6 Hickinbottom:** Condoover

## SLT

**Head Teacher Mr Davies:** Savannah P

**Deputy Headteacher Mrs Molineux:** Autumn R

**Assistant Headteacher Mrs Till:** Archie P

# Makaton Information

## What is Makaton?

Makaton is a way of communicating that uses signs (hand gestures), symbols (pictures) and speech together. It helps children and adults understand and express themselves more easily.

When using Makaton, people sign while they speak, following normal spoken word order. This gives extra clues to help someone understand what's being said. Makaton can make a big difference. It helps to share ideas, connect with others and to join in with the world. It helps opens up lots of new opportunities. At Christ Church, we are excited to begin our Makaton journey. We have already begun signing to open our Worship and after the holiday, we will be learning a 'Makaton Sign of the Week' within our classes.

Please, look out for the weekly sign on the newsletter and join our Makaton journey too! Happy signing!

# Dates for your Diary

Friday 13th February:	Year 6 Back from Condoover Break up @ 3:15pm
Monday 23rd February:	School Open to all Pupils
Wednesday 25th February:	Y3 Tolley - Creative Connections at Church Reception 1 Wonderland Trip
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February:	Reception 2 Wonderlands Trip
Wednesday 4th March:	Parents Evening
Thursday 5th March:	Parents Evening
Friday 6th March:	World Book Day (information to follow)
Friday 27th March:	Break up @ 1:15pm

## **INSET Days 2026**

Monday 1st June 2026 - INSET Day  
Monday 20th July 2026 - INSET Day  
Tuesday 21st July 2026 - INSET Day  
Tuesday 1st September 2026 - INSET Day  
Wednesday 2nd September 2026 - INSET Day