

# CHRIST CHURCH PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWS

15 September 2021

**Learning with God and Each Other to Be the Best We Can Be  
Respect: Endurance: Friendship**

## Welcome

A warm welcome to children who are new to Christ Church CofE Primary Academy and also to our existing pupils. We have had a very positive start to the new school year and are looking forward to this continuing.

I am sure that you would like to join me in saying congratulations to Miss Brayford and Miss Edwards who both married during the summer holidays and have returned as Mrs Shaw and Mrs Roberts.

You should have now received a letter from your child's class teacher sharing information about what will be happening during the Autumn term. If you have any questions about this or you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher via the DoJo system or in person at the end of the school day. Can I please ask that any Dojo messages are sent to your child's class teacher as they are in the best position to be able to provide answers to any questions or concerns you may have.

Nursery – Mrs Cooper  
Reception – Mrs Roberts  
Year 1 – Mrs Kendrick  
Year 2 – Mrs Shaw  
Year 3 – Miss Jones  
Year 4 – Mrs Park  
Year 5 – Miss Lake  
Year 6 – Mrs Bennett



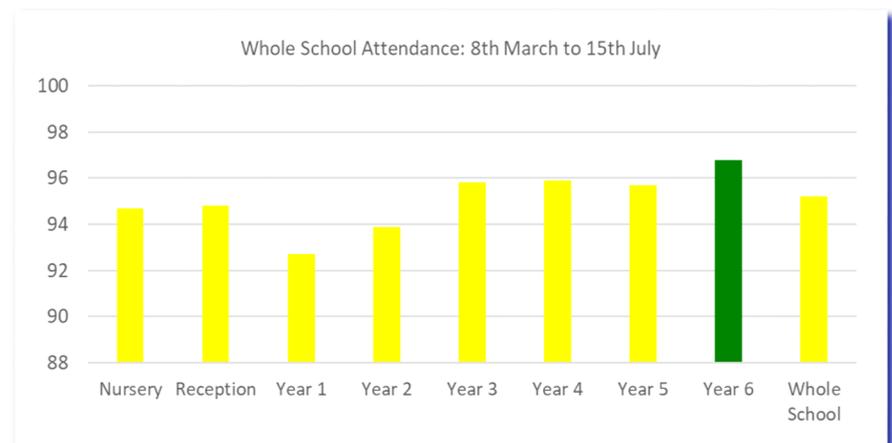
## Diary Dates

- Wednesday 22nd September:  
School Photos
- Friday 22nd October:  
School Closed for Teacher Training
- Monday 25th – Friday 29th October:  
School Closed
- Monday 1st November:  
School re-opens
- Monday 20th December:  
School Closed for Christmas holidays
- Wednesday 5th January:  
School re-opens

## Attendance

Due to Covid-19 our whole school attendance was not as consistent as it has been in previous years. However, these were exceptional times and hopefully we can begin to get back to normality.

Our whole school target continues to be 96%. Hopefully with your continued support and the support from Andy Brian our EWO this will be achieved. Last year's attendance from March to the end of the academic year can be seen below:

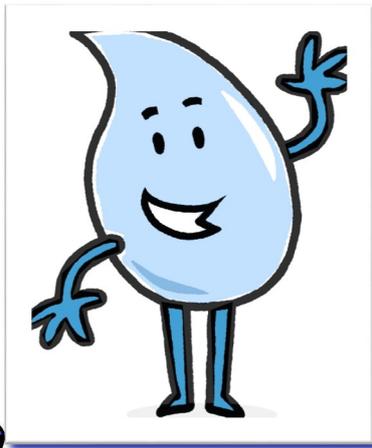




### Punctuality and Absence

It is really important that your child attends school punctually each day. Learning starts from the moment the children enter the classroom so any lateness really does have an impact.

If your child is unwell and not able to come to school can you please contact school as soon as possible and before 10am to let us know why they are absent.



### The Wonderful World of Water – Severn Trent

We have a special whole school assembly taking place on 20th September delivered by Severn Trent Water. The children will learn all about the important job that Severn Trent do and why we need to look after our wonderful water.

### School Uniform

Nearly all pupils have been extremely smart wearing the correct school uniform. Can I take this opportunity to remind you of a few school uniform rules:

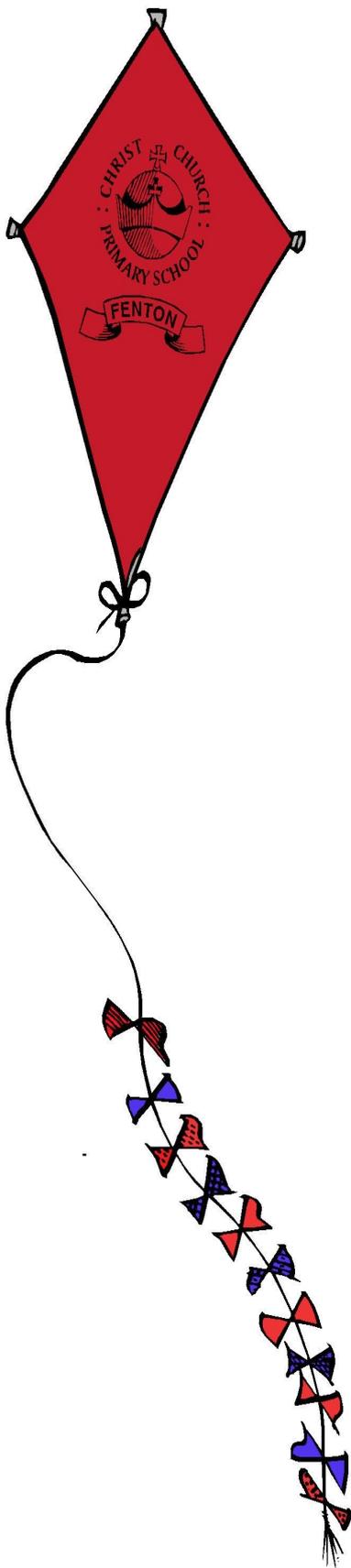
- Earrings are not allowed and should be removed. Plasters should only be used if the earrings have not been in place for six weeks and they cannot be removed
- Long hair needs to be tied back.
- Black sensible shoes should be worn not trainers

If your child arrives to school complying fully with the uniform policy shown above, they will receive a DoJo. If your child comes to school inappropriately dressed, we will contact you so that you can bring the correct uniform to school.

To reduce the number of mislaid jumpers, cardigans, coats and other uniform and PE items please make sure that all of your children's clothes, including shoes, are clearly labelled with your child's name. This will help us to reunite children quickly and easily with their uniform and PE kit.

## Our School Uniform





### NEW Reading Reward

To continue to encourage our children to read at home, we have updated our reading reward system. In EYFS and KS1, each night that the children read at home, they will now get a raffle ticket at school the next day that will go into a prize draw. One raffle ticket will be drawn at the end of each week for each class and the winner will receive a special prize. In KS2, children must show that they have read at home at least 4x each week to get a raffle ticket. The prize draw will be drawn at the end of each half term for KS2. Remember, the more raffle tickets in the bag, the greater the chance of winning a prize. Please read with your child at home at least 4 nights each week.



### Harvest

Harvest celebrations will be taking place in Christ Church on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am. This will be for children in Year 1 upwards. Our Nursery and Reception children will be celebrating in school.

Our Worship Ambassadors along with Fr Tommy have decided to support Christian Aid's Harvest Appeal, Sisters stronger together, this year. All donations to this appeal can be made on Parent Pay until Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Further information can be found at:

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/harvest-appeal>



### Changes to the Beginning and End of the Day

We have decided to make a few changes to our beginning and end of the day routines:

- You can now enter and leave the school grounds via both William Street and Manor Street.
- Gates will open at 8.45am and 3pm and the start and finish times will remain the same for all year groups.
- More than one family member can drop off and collect their child.

### Year 6 Music

Year 6 played their musical instruments for the first time this week. They all did amazingly well. Please watch their very first performance using the link below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fQFvTUA9fEI>

