

# CHRIST CHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRONICLE

09 February 2018

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

## Thank-You

We would like to thank all parents, carers and children for their patience whilst the playground improvements took place. Both play areas and the wall are now complete and we are now extremely pleased with the outside area that we have for our children. Our children are now able to use both of these and school can be accessed once again from Manor Street. As soon as the weather improves we will be looking at revamping the graffiti wall to bring it up to the same standard as the football pitch.



## Internet Safety

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February was Internet Safety Day. This was another opportunity for us to stress the importance of staying safe online and not talking to anybody they do not know. Unfortunately, from speaking to children we know that this is still happening. We want all of our children to be safe online and to use social media and the internet safely.

Concerns have also been raised about Roblox, a popular multiplayer game that allows users to design their own games and play different games, which we know a number of our children access regularly. Could you please help to reinforce the messages about internet safety so that our children are not exposed to inappropriate content online.

## Diary Dates

- \* **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February:**  
**SCHOOL CLOSED,** February Half Term
- \* **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March:**  
World Book Day
- \* **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March:**  
Mothering Sunday Pick 'n' Wrap
- \* **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March:**  
Holy Week Eucharist at Christ Church, 9.30am start. All parents and carers welcome
- \* **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April:**  
**SCHOOL CLOSED,** Easter holiday
- \* **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April:**  
New Term Starts

## The Extreme Reading Challenge

Where is the most extreme place your child has ever read a book? Whether it is up a tree, on top of a mountain or stood on their head, we want your photos!

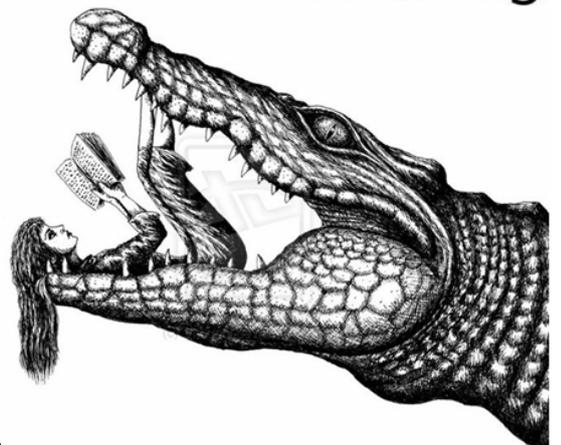
We want to create a real buzz around reading amongst our children, so for this term, we are setting you the challenge of finding the most extreme place to read a book and to photograph it. Photographs can be brought into school or emailed to

[office@christchurchfenton.co.uk](mailto:office@christchurchfenton.co.uk)

There will be a prize for the most extreme reader in each class and an overall winner. All entries will be featured on a special section of the school website and on a display in school. The deadline for entries is Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

Obviously, we encourage you to keep safe (I wouldn't recommend reading in the jaws of a crocodile!) but we are really looking forward to seeing who in school has such a passion for reading that they have to do it anywhere and everywhere!

# Extreme reading





### Multi-Academy Trust Update

Work has been continuing slowly in preparation for our school to become part of St Chad's Multi Academy Trust, Lichfield Diocese. A number of meetings have taken place with key members of the Trust and staff and we are excited about the opportunities being part of St Chad's will bring. Further information about St Chad's can be found by visiting their website:

<http://www.cecet.org.uk/our-academies/>

This is obviously a very important decision for our school so if you have any questions or worries please do not hesitate to speak to Mrs Scattergood.



### Poppy Appeal

Due to your generosity, our school raised £308.59 for the Royal British Legion during the Poppy Appeal. This is an amazing result. Our local organiser would like to say a big thank you for raising such a phenomenal amount of money.



### Fairtrade Fortnight (26<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March)

To support our work on Fairtrade our school Fairtrade shop will be open again during Fairtrade Fortnight. There will be a number of items for sale including Fairtrade crafts, snacks and chocolate. Any food purchased from the shop must be eaten after school. Prices range from 5p to £3 with many items costing less than £1.50.

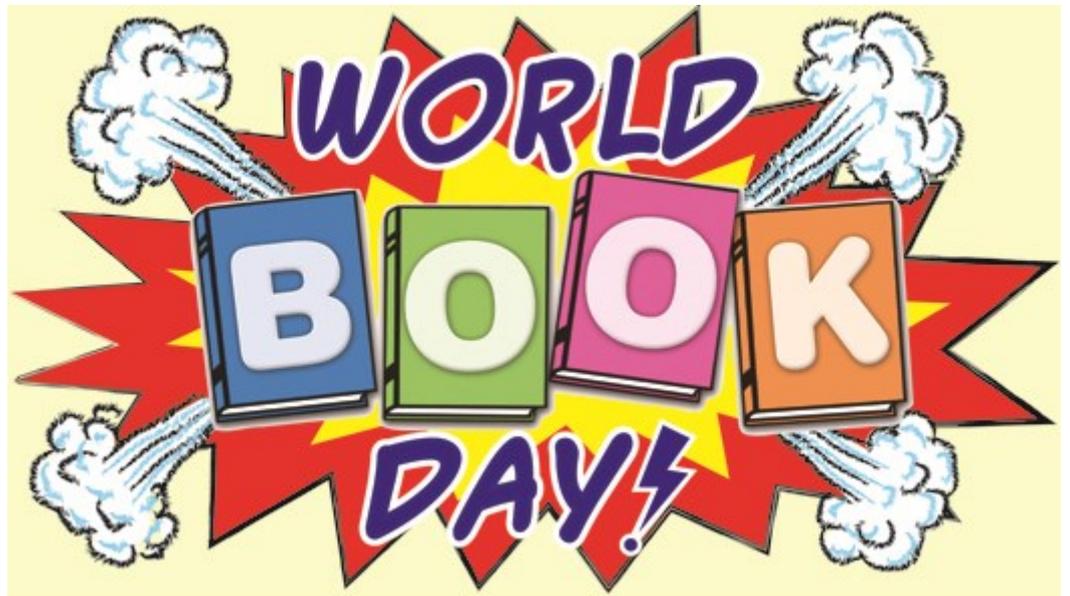
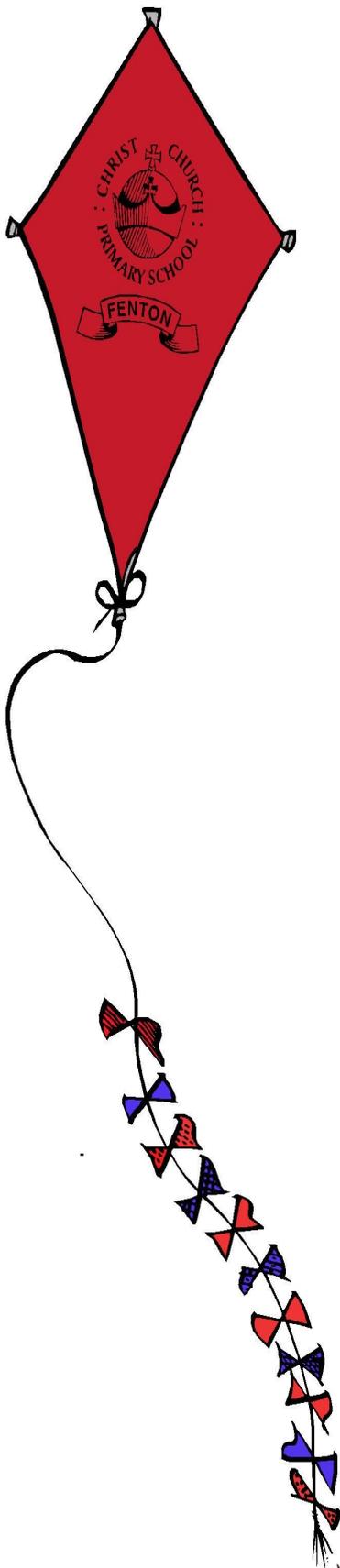
I'm pleased to announce that Belinda in Year 3 won the local authority 'Design a Football Shirt' competition and will be attending the Lord Mayors Fairtrade Event in March. Well done Belinda on your amazing achievement.

### Mothering Sunday Pick 'n' Wrap

Our Mothering Sunday Pick 'n' Wrap will be taking place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March. If you are able to support Mrs Birks on the day could you please speak to her as soon as possible.

So we have a good selection of items to sell we are asking for donations of wrapping paper, gift bags, toiletries, chocolates, gift sets etc which we can sell to our children to make surprise Mothering Sunday gifts. In exchange for the donations the children will be allowed to wear non school uniform.





### World Book Day – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March

We will once again be supporting World Book Day this year and are inviting children to come dressed as their favourite Fairy Tale character. This is sure to be another fun packed day in school which will help support our children in improving their reading skills and enjoying books. We cannot wait to see the amazing costumes which always appear.

### School Meals

**Did you know that extra money comes into the school budget for each child who claims free school meals? Your child can still bring a packed lunch to school but the claim triggers extra funding for our school**

If you are on Income Support or income based Job Seekers Allowance your child is entitled to a free school meal. **THIS CAN BE CLAIMED BY CONTACTING THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON 234834.** The Free School Meals Office at the Civic Centre is open throughout the main school holidays. The telephone number is 236813. If you have an older child already on free meals, you will still need to apply for the younger child.

***Please claim your free school meals if you think you may be entitled to them!***

### School Dodgeball Competition

Our first team sports competition took place recently with all children participating in a dodgeball competition. Well done to everybody for taking part and especially Team China who were the winners. After the dodgeball competition China are 1st, Ghana 2nd, Argentina 3rd and Denmark 4th. We hope to organise more events later in the academic year.

