

CHRIST CHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRONICLE

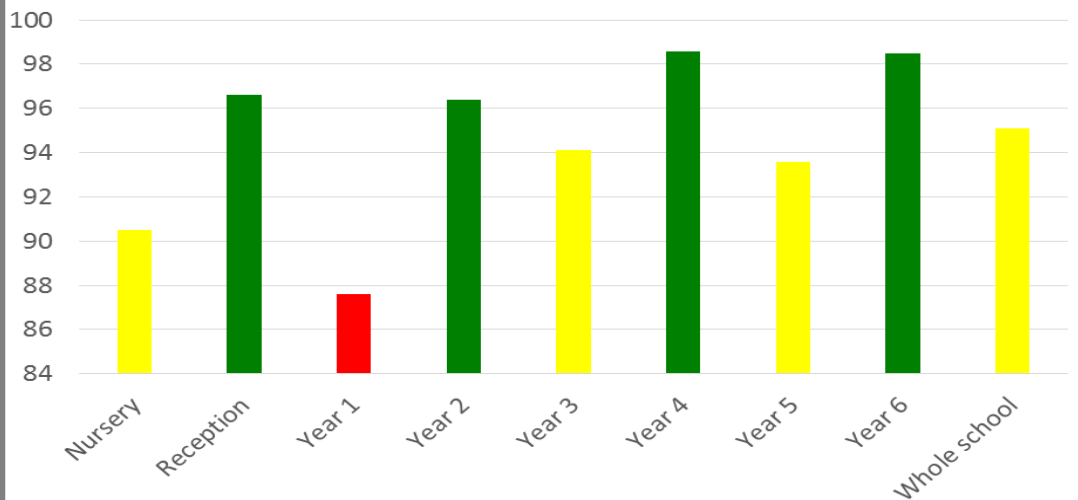
16th June 2017

Learning with God and Each Other to Be the Best We Can Be

Attendance

This week's attendance graph can be found below. A very close battle between year 4 and year 6. Well done Year 4 for pipping Year 6 and stealing their title.

Weekly Attendance: 9th - 15th June 2017



Our attendance has been affected by the number of holidays that have been taken. In line with Local Authority policy we strongly discourage families from taking children out of class during term time except in exceptional circumstances. All holidays will be classed as unauthorised absences and could result in EWO involvement if your child's attendance falls below 90%.

Diary Dates

Monday 19th June: Bikeability

Tuesday 20th June: Bikeability

Wednesday 28th June: New year group, meet the teacher session 1—Pupils Only
Friday 30th June: Year 1, year 2 and year 3 sports, am

Wednesday 5th July: New year group, meet the teacher session 2—Pupils Only
Monday 10th July: Year 4, year 5 and year 6 sports, am

Tuesday 11th July: New year group, meet the teacher session 3—Pupils Only

Monday 17th July: Singing Stars Concert, Mitchell Memorial Theatre

Wednesday 19th July: Key Stage 2 Production, Alice in Wonderland, 2pm and 6pm.

More details to follow shortly

Tuesday 5th September: Start of the new academic year for all pupils in Reception to Year 6

Beginning of the School Day

A number of our children are arriving at school very early in a morning. If they are not attending Breakfast Club they should not be arriving before 8.30am as school starts for all pupils at 8.45am.

Children should not be unsupervised on our playground before school. Parents/carers need to remain with their child until the beginning of the school day. We also ask that children do not cycle or scooter around the playground at the beginning or end of the school day. If children are travelling to school on a bicycle or scooter they need placing in the appropriate shelter when children arrive at school.

Due to health and safety reasons we cannot have families or pupils waiting in the main office area before school or before picking up their children at the end of the day.

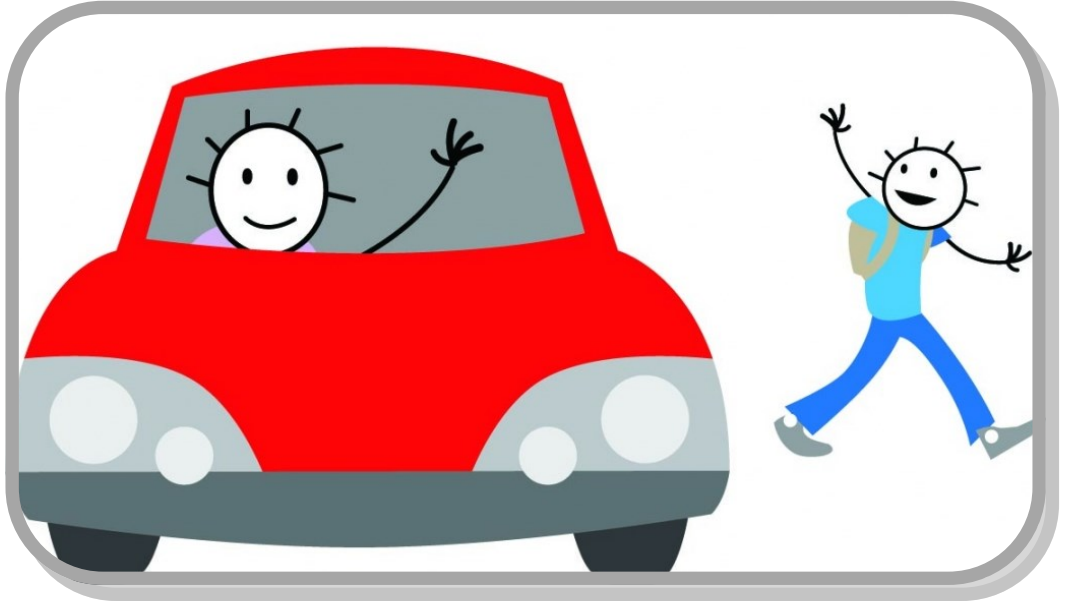


Walking to and from School

If your child is in upper key stage 2 and you would like them to walk home by themselves, we now have consent forms which need signing and returning to school.

Safety on the Playground

A number of parents have informed us that children are leaving or trying to leave the school premises by climbing over the fence. We have spoken to our children in school but could you help us to help keep your children safe by reinforcing that children do not climb onto any fences or barriers on the school playground.



Parking

Parking continues to cause problems for children, parents and staff. The number of cars parking outside the school on William Street has increased to a dangerous level again. Staff members arriving back to school or who have to leave before the end of the day are finding it difficult to access the car park due to the number of parked cars by the gates and sometimes blocking the school exit. The parked cars make it very difficult for our walking families when they leave or enter school as well as making it difficult for other drivers to see any pedestrians. We need everybody's help to reduce the number of parked vehicles outside of the school at the busy times during the day to ensure our children's safety.

Nursery Toy Pushchairs and Spare Underwear

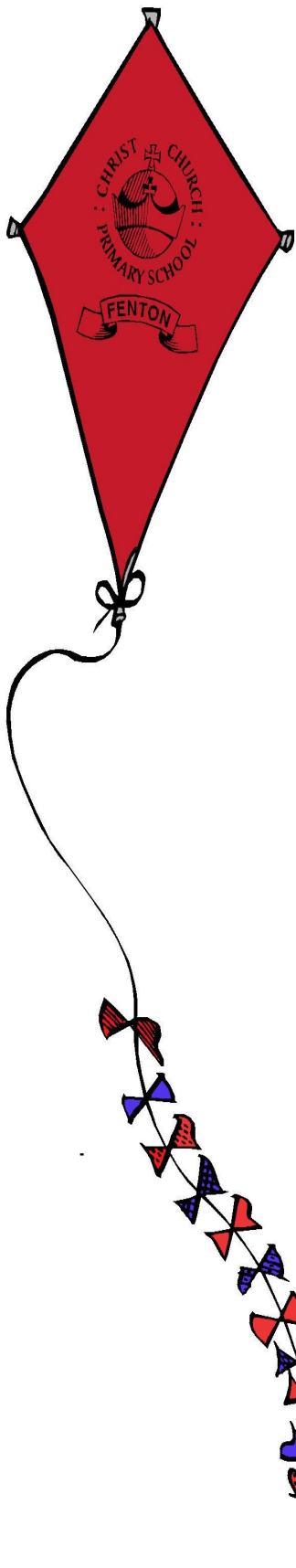
If you have good quality toy pushchairs that are no longer used our nursery would be very grateful to receive them. We are also running short of spare underwear and socks for those little accidents our nursery children sometimes have so any spare/outgrown pants and socks would also be gratefully received.



Thank-You

Thank you to all parents who have supported the different school events that have happened over the past few weeks. Our nursery and reception sports day was a huge success and feedback from our Music Day was very positive. We apologise for having to postpone our KS1 and KS2 events and are hoping that the weather is kinder to us on the rearranged dates.





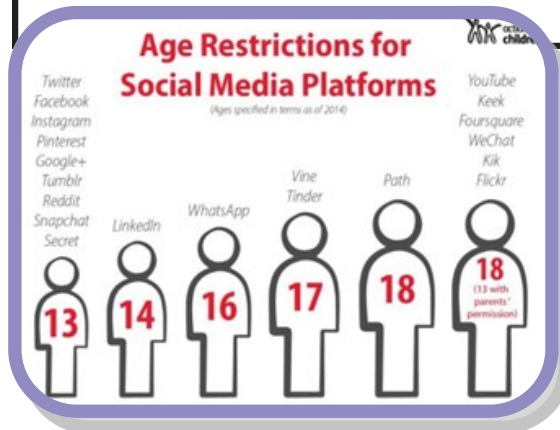
Sun Safety

Now that the weather seems to be getting warmer (despite the rain we have had this week) it's important to make sure that our children are protected from the sun. To keep your child sun safe at breaktime and lunchtime could you please encourage them to wear a hat outside during these times. Applying once a day sun-tan lotion before the children leave for school each morning would also mean that they are protected against the sun. This is particularly important for our nursery and reception pupils who spend more time each day outside than our older pupils.

Internet Safety

Although our school has not been named and we have had no contact from the police I wanted to make you aware of a suspicious Instagram account. Two local schools, Ormiston Sir Stanley Matthews Academy and Ash Green Primary have been contacted by the police to report anything suspicious. The full story can be found on the Sentinel website, <http://www.stokesentinel.co.uk/parents-of-children-at-trentham-school-urged-to-call-police-over-suspect-instagram-account/story-30392658-detail/story.html>.

We have also been contacted by Stoke-on-Trent Safeguarding Board of a large number of apps, 140 in total which pose real risks of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE). The CSE Social Media Library has been collated by Det. Inspector Kay Wallace (West Mids regional CSE coordinator). If you would like a copy of the list, please ask at the school office.



End of Year Awards Assembly

Due to the large numbers of parents and friends we have attending our end of year awards assembly we have made a few changes this year to make it more comfortable for our visitors and children. Rather than having the traditional Year 6 Leavers' and then a Whole School Awards Assembly we will be splitting the whole school assembly into two smaller assemblies.

Thursday 20th July: Nursery – Year 2 Awards Assembly, 9.00am

Friday 21st July: Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 Awards Assembly, 9.00am

Friday 21st July: Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, 2.00pm

Invitations for these assemblies will be handed out closer to the end of term.