

CHRIST CHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRONICLE

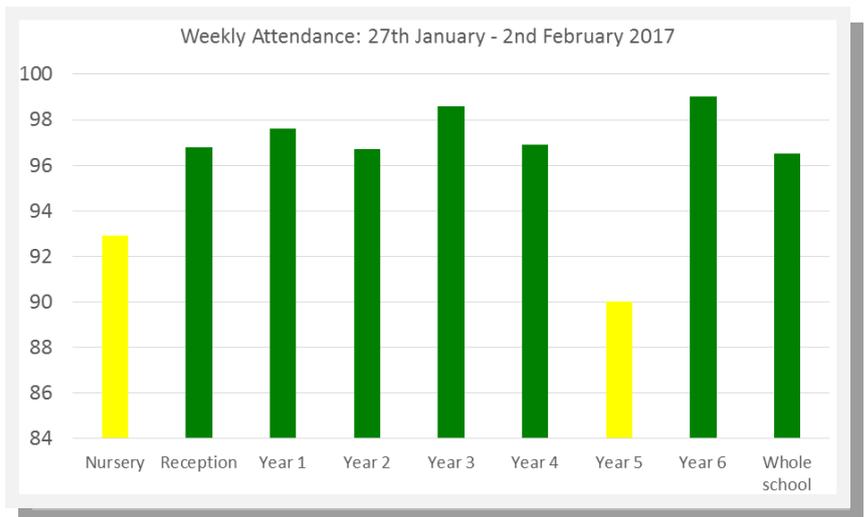
6th February 2017

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

Attendance

Attendance Update

I am pleased to report that our attendance is improving since the beginning of the new term with more classes each week achieving at least 96% or above. Thank you to everybody who has helped to make this happen. Mrs Birks and Mr Brian, our EWO, continue to monitor every child's attendance very carefully as we work to improve upon last year's excellent result. Well done to Year 6 who were last week's winners.



The winners of our last Attendance Prize draw were:

Nursery	Tristen Chalker
Reception	Izabelle Deakin
Year 1	Oliver Rhodes
Year 2	Belinda Thomas
Year 3	Milan Ali
Year 4	Harjot Singh
Year 5	Marcus Unwin
Year 6	Charlotte Shaw

To be in with a chance of winning our next prize draw children need to come to school on time every day.

Diary Dates

Friday 17th February:

SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS

Monday 20th – Friday 24th February:

Half Term Holiday

Monday 27th February:

Back to School

Monday 27th February – Friday 10th March:

Fairtrade Fortnight

Thursday 2nd March:

World Book Day

Wednesday 15th March:

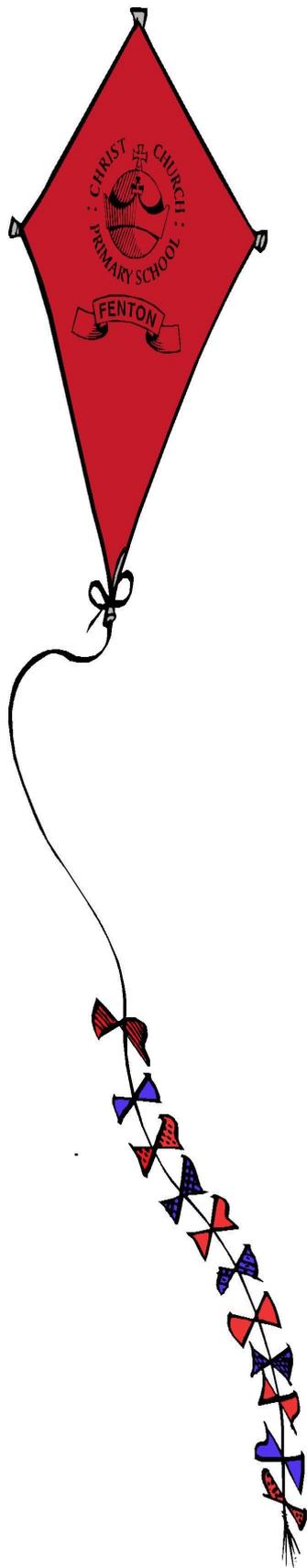
Y6 visit to Harry Potter World

Monday 10th – Friday 21st April:

SCHOOL CLOSED

Monday 24th April:

Summer Term starts for all pupils



School Holiday Consultation

As you may be aware from the local press the Local Authority are asking which of two options parents would prefer for term dates 2018/019.

The two options are:

Option 1: keeping the holiday pattern as it currently is with a six-week summer holiday

Option 2: reducing the summer holiday by one week to five weeks, thus adding an extra week to the October half term.

If you would like to participate in the consultation, please use the link below:

<http://webapps.stoke.gov.uk/snapsurveys/schooltermdates/schooltermdates.htm>



Parking

Thankfully the road works on William Street have now finished and the road is open to traffic. As the road was closed for a long time some children have become used to just being able to cross the road without worrying about oncoming traffic. Could all parents/carers please make sure that children are crossing the road safely now that traffic is back to normal.

For those parents/carers who drive their children please remember to park safely away from the school gates to keep the school environment safe for our children.



Shigellosis Outbreak

I wanted to reassure all parents that as a result of the local Shigellosis outbreak which has been reported in the local press we have reminded all pupils about the importance of handwashing after they have been to the toilet and before they eat anything. As with all cases of sickness and/or diarrhoea children need to be absent for 48 hours after the last bout. If a child is ill whilst in school, we will contact parents/carers so that the child can be collected. Even though we are looking to improve our attendance, children who have displayed such symptoms need to be kept off school for those 48 hours to reduce the risk of the illness spreading.

Staffing Update

I am pleased to report that Miss Bradbury has returned after her operation. I know that all of year 5 were extremely pleased to see her. After February half term, Mr Hields will be joining our school as another Deputy Head Teacher working closely with Mrs Finney and Mrs Scattergood. He has visited the school already to meet staff and children and I am sure that all pupils, staff and parents will make him feel welcome.



World Book Day

World Book Day is taking place again after half term on Thursday 2nd March. We have decided to hold a Pyjama Day in school so that the emphasis is upon reading before bedtime. More details about the day will be shared closer to the date.

