

## Christ Church C of E Primary Academy

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### January 2025 Newsletter

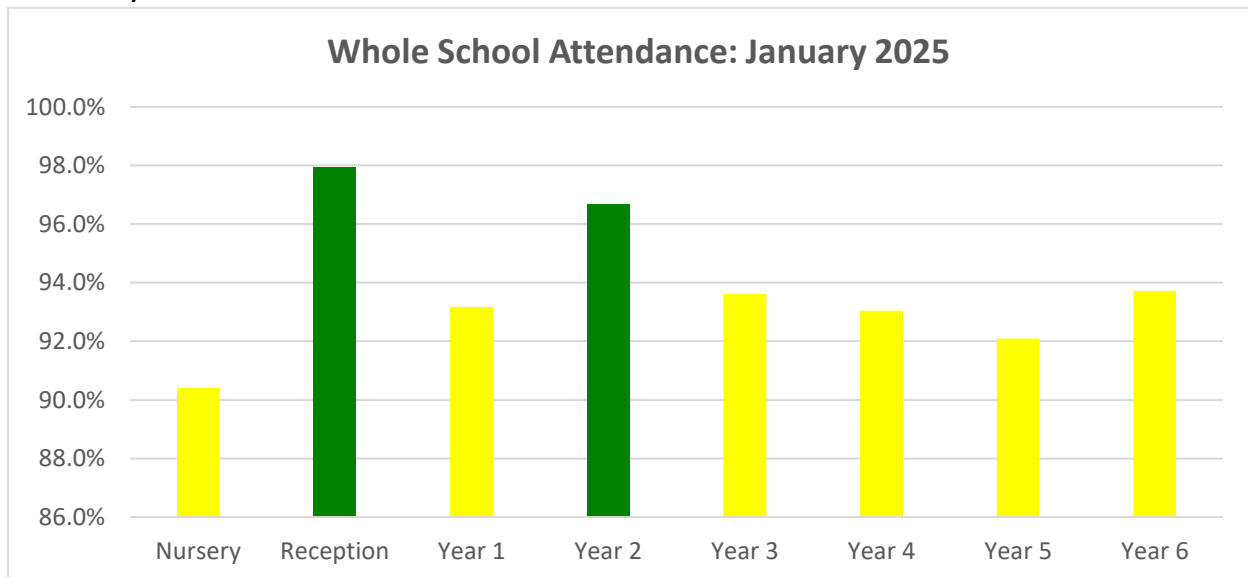


It has been a very busy month with lots of learning taking place in all classes.

Ms Law has settled well into Year 2 and Mr Roden is doing a super job in nursery. Don't forget to check dojo every week to find out what exciting things have been happening in your child's class.

#### **Whole School Attendance – January 2025**

Well done to reception and year 2 who achieved above our whole school target of 96%. Hopefully all other year groups will be there at the end of February.



#### **Gritting Policy**

Hopefully we have seen the last of the snowy and icy weather but below is a reminder of our gritting policy. The school entrances will be gritted as well as a pathway leading from each gate to the school entrances and one path from the school gates to the children's entrances. Can you please ensure that the footpaths are used to travel between the school entrances and the classrooms.

In the event of a heavy snow fall during the night please check class dojo and text messages from school. We will also contact The Sentinel who report on all school closures. Please make sure that you have a Class Dojo login and that school has your current telephone contact. If you need a Class DoJo login please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Wilkes.

A decision will be made daily as to whether our playground is suitable for use by the children at breaktime and lunchtime. It may be necessary to have indoor playtimes and dinnertimes if we feel that there is a risk to the children's safety. If you would like to see the full gritting policy, please ask at the school reception for a copy.

### **Dogs on the Playground**

To ensure that all children, parents and staff are safe, dogs are not allowed on our playground at any time of the day. Thank you for helping to keep our playground a safe place for all of our families.

### **Scooters and Bicycles on the Playground**

It is great to see children still cycling and scooting to school. However, can I remind children that as soon as they enter the school grounds they should be pushing their bicycle and scooter. A small number of children are riding them on the playground which could result in someone getting hurt.

### **NHS Pharmacy First Service**

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that can help children feel better and back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service.

There is no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local Boots pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service. Support for the following conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply):

| <b><u>Common condition</u></b>   | <b><u>Patient eligibility</u></b> |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Earache                          | 1 to 17 years                     |
| Impetigo                         | 1 year and over                   |
| Infected insect bites and stings | 1 year and over                   |
| Sore throats                     | 5 years and over                  |
| Sinusitis                        | 12 years and over                 |
| Uncomplicated urinary tract      | Women 16 to 64 years              |

### **Value of the Half Term – Perseverance**

I can do all things through Him who strengthens me. Philippians 4.13

We are thinking about the need to never give up even when things are difficult and working towards our goals. We found out more about perseverance using the poem below:

#### **Perseverance is....**

Pressing on

Eager to continue

Running the race

Sticking with things

Encouraging each other to keep going

Valuing the support of others

Eyes fixed on the target

Reaching a goal over time

Aiming to complete the task

Not giving up

Commitment to keep going

Ending up where you want to be

#### **Diary Dates**

- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February: SCHOOL CLOSED
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February: School open to all pupils
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April: SCHOOL CLOSED
- Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April: School open to all pupils