

CHRIST CHURCH PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWS

11 September 2020

**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.

You will shortly receive 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.



**Welcome
Back!**

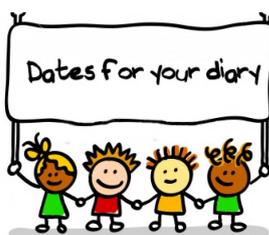


Cycling and Scooting to School

It is good that so many of our children are cycling or scooting to school but could you please remind your children that they should not be cycling or scooting on the school playground to keep everybody safe.

Diary Dates

- **Friday 25th September:**
European Day of Languages
- **Thursday 1st October:**
World Poetry Day
- **Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October:**
SCHOOL CLOSED
- **Monday 2 November:**
SCHOOL CLOSED to all pupils for teacher training
- **Monday 21 December to Friday 1 January:**
SCHOOL CLOSED

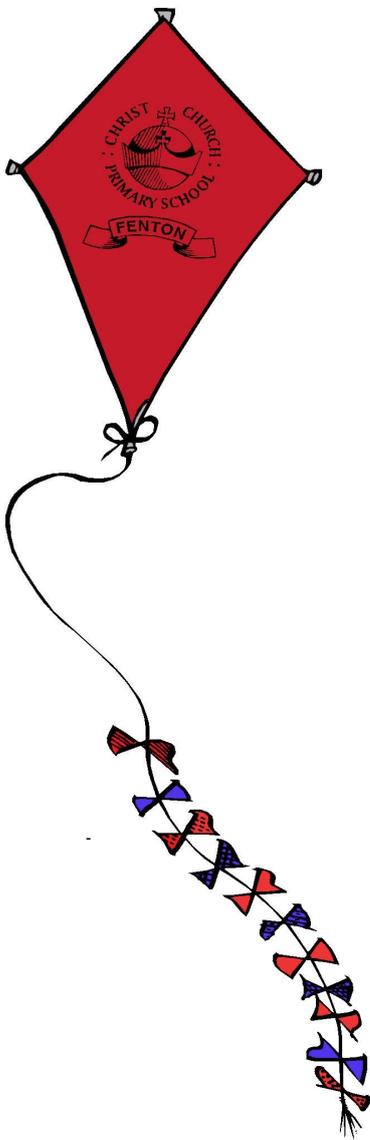


Weekly Praise Assembly

A weekly Praise Worship will continue to take place each week but this will be held virtually for classes only. We felt it was important for our children to continue to receive rewards for their excellent achievements. The rewards will just be shared in a new way.

After School Clubs

Our after school clubs offering will be different this year due to Covid-19. We will try to offer a number of different clubs but these will only be available to bubbles. Please look out for letters throughout the term.



IMPORTANT REMINDER

A Few New Routine Reminders

Thank you to all parents and carers for working

with us as we have implemented new routines and systems as a result of Covid-19. We apologise for the changes made as we worked through last week, but it is important for us to ensure that we have the best possible system in place to keep your children, you and our school staff as safe as possible. Below are just a few reminders of systems we now have in place:

- We are asking for only one parent/carer to collect their child at the end of the day to reduce the number of people entering our school site.
- All money needs to be brought into school on a Monday each week. Please place it in a sealed envelope clearly labelled with your child's name, their class and what the money is for. Your child can then take this to their classroom. We are currently investigating a cashless system which will make this much easier.
- At the end of the day, when collecting your child from Year 1 upwards (one parent/carer collecting please) please stay behind the barrier and be mindful of keeping a 2m distance between families. One of your child's class teachers will then send your child to you and you can then leave the site safely. This stops congestion outside of the classrooms and by the school exit.
- If you need to speak to a member of staff please contact them via Dojo, telephone the school, use the school text service or email adminteam@christchurchfenton.co.uk
- All money and permission slips need to be given to your child's class teacher. Sadly we are currently unable to have an open door policy at the office like we have had in the past for late PE kits, water bottles etc
- Children need to bring their own clearly named water bottle to school each day but no other equipment, except PE kits, are allowed in school.
- **If your child has any Covid-19 symptoms DO NOT send them to school. You should arrange for them to be tested and keep them at home for a period of 14 days if they develop coronavirus symptoms. More information regarding symptoms and actions can be found on the NHS website**
- **(<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>). It is essential that if you think your child may have been exposed to or has coronavirus, please contact the school on 01782 234834 at the earliest opportunity.**
- If any member of the household develops symptoms they must get a test and the whole household should self-isolate until the results are received.

End of the School Day

If there is to be a change of person collecting your child could you please let the school know. We do have consent forms that need completing if your child is in year 5 or 6 and you are happy for them to walk home alone. Please contact Mrs Birks, Mrs Bennett or Miss Brayford for more information and a consent form. If we have not received a form, we will need to contact you before letting your child leave.



PARENTS

The Information You Need!

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
- Nail varnish and tattoos are not allowed

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.

Homework Changes

You should have now received your child's homework book with homework for the first half of the autumn term. To avoid unnecessary handling of the book and swaps between home and school can weekly homework please be uploaded to the portfolio section of ClassDojo or Purple Mash. Only school staff will see work uploaded to individual children's portfolios so it is a secure system. The homework book needs to be sent back to school week beginning 19th October so it can be prepared ready for autumn 2. If you have any problems or questions regarding this new system please contact your child's class teacher.

Important
Information



DoJos

We will continue to use the DoJo system in school to reward positive behaviour, communicate with you your child's successes and send out important whole school information. If you were signed into Class DoJo last year your login should still be in use. If your child is new to the school or you didn't use the system last year please contact your child's class teacher, the school office or Mrs Wilkes so that we can get you connected. We would like all families to have a login so that we know all of our school community are getting the regular updates and positive messages we share daily. It is an excellent way of keeping up to date with what is happening in your child's class and across the school.