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Christ Church CE Primary Newsletter 10: 15th November 2019

Message from Mrs Jones:

We have had an active day supporting Children in Need. Miss Barsby and Mr Campbell, assisted by our Sports leaders led 'The Big Move,' in our hall and the whole school have joined in with Joe Wicks' session prepared especially for Children in Need.

Your donations raised **£300**.
Thank you everyone!



There's one week to go to until our Christmas Fair, Sunday 24th November, 1-4pm. The committee are working hard to ensure we can all enjoy some festive fun. Please sign up and offer your support to your class stall. Next Friday we have a non-uniform day and in turn ask for donations of items; lucky jars, books, bottles.

There are some great raffle prizes to be won so please sell the raffle tickets sent home in book bags.

We have welcomed prospective Reception parents for entry in September 2020, for tours of our school this week. We are very proud of our children so focussed in their lessons and the vibrant learning environment and facilities we have. If you know of anyone with pre-school children please encourage them to visit our website and invite them to phone the school office for further information.

The Year 1/2 and Reception plays are being prepared. A letter was sent out for parents/carers to request tickets to watch the performances. The dates are listed at the end of this newsletter. Curriculum newsletters for term 2 have been and are available on our school website.

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Children in Need The Big Move



Year 2 Science and Porridge!

Year 2 have been investigating materials to make a new blue coat for the child in our story. We talked about what properties we need the coat to have, predicted which material would be most suitable and then tested how waterproof they were, by stretching them over a cup and pouring water on. Do ask us about our results!



To support our Magic Porridge Pot story, Year 2 had a go at making their own porridge! We carefully measured out the ingredients and followed instructions to make the creamy porridge from the story. This also helped us write our own instructions later in the week!



Yr 5 Godly Play

Year 5 children have had a lovely time with Rachel and Ruthy this week, taking part in Godly Play. In small groups, the children listened to a story entitled "The Good Shepherd" (based on Psalm 23) and then had time to respond creatively. They were able to paint, use playdoh, make necklaces, use crafting materials and they all made some beautiful pieces to take home. The children were challenged to think about whether we all respond similarly or differently and what our responses may look like. Thank you to Rachel and Ruthy for this really creative and thought-provoking workshop.



Online Safety Evening



Wednesday 27th November (date change from 20th), 6pm at School

Come along to our Online E-Safety evening:

- * Learn top tips to keep our children safe online
- * Find out about new games and apps
- * Pick up some helpful guides
- * Hear pupil testimonials
- * Share your own experiences with other parents /carers
- * Enjoy some free refreshments

Coming Up in Clifton ...



**Fri 15 - Sun 17
November 2019**

**A weekend full of
talks, workshops,
music, poetry and
lively discussion**

**Clifton Village
LitFest**

With a great line up including
Jonathan Dimbleby, Martin Parr,
Catherine Johnson, Vanessa Kisuule,
Nikesh Shukla, Sue Limb, Tony Robinson,
Kalpna Woolf, Adam Sisman
and many more...

**Tickets: eventbrite and Clifton Library Info: www.toccal.com
Email: hello@toccal.com**

Carol Singers Needed!

Would you like to join our Christ Church School Community Choir and sing with other parents and teachers at our Christmas Service? All welcome - please see Mrs Brown (class 5WB) for details



News from Christ Church



Church Christmas Market, Sat 23rd November 10am-4pm

30 stalls of locally produced, handmade crafts and gifts. Snacks and hot lunches served in the Spire coffee shop, with live festive music too.

Pop in to check out some familiar faces behind the stalls, look forward to seeing you there!

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**Clifton
Christmas
Market**

Saturday 23 November
10am - 4pm
Christ Church Clifton
BS8 3BN

Locally made artisan gifts and crafts

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PTA news

Christ Church parent's Christmas Party

Friday 13th December 7.30pm til late

Book your babysitters and come along for a night of food, dancing and entertainment. Not to be missed!



Christ Church Christmas Fair, Sunday 24th November 2019 1-4pm



Christmas Fair Collections

In exchange for non-uniform day on Friday 22nd November please bring in:

- Lucky Jars – Jam jars filled with small toys, sweets etc. Please no products containing nuts or sesame
- Bottles – For the bottle tombola
- Good quality second hand toys or books for the toy tombola
- Second hand school uniform, current logo items only please
- Second hand Christmas jumpers or Christmas PJs
- 2nd Hand Gifts for Year 6 Gift stall
- Cakes for the cafe

Donations can be accepted at the school office or in classrooms any time next week, Friday morning at the latest.

Raffle tickets should have come home in book bags. Please return stubs and money to the school, if you would like more raffle tickets there are more available at the school office.

Year 6 have made some terrific tote bags! The children will be selling them at the Christmas Fair for only £2.50. These bags are perfect as an alternative to wrapping paper to put your gifts under the tree. Don't forget to bring your money and buy one of these fabulous bags!

If you are an online shopper you can raise money for our school with **The Giving Machine**. By signing up and shopping via TheGivingMachine you will generate a free cash donation for Christ Church School PTA.

To start raising free donations for the school go to: www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/christchurch-primary-school-pta Join up today – it's that easy - it will take no more than 2 minutes of your time to do so.

You can also download the free desktop reminder app via TheGivingMachine <https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/shop-and-give/> - Christ Church School sign-in code **265792**

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Letters home this week:

KS2 Choir Event at St Georges
Y4 Primary Schools Carol Concert at Bristol Cathedral
Curriculum Newsletters

Term 2 2019 Dates

November:

Mon 18th Road Safety Week
Tues 19th Yr 5/6 Basketball Merchants Academy, 3.30-5.30pm
Thurs 21st EYFS Maths meeting for parents, 9am
Tea Afternoon - RRP
Fri 22nd Non uniform day - donations for the Xmas Fayre
Sun 24th Xmas Fayre, 1-4pm
Tues 26th Flu vaccinations in school
Weds 27th Yr 5/6 Mini concert, 9.10am
Parents online safety evening, 6pm at school
Thurs 28th Tea Afternoon - RVA

December:

Tues 3rd Yr 3 Xmas experience at the Church
Yr2-Yr6 Redgrave Theatre Trip - The Snow Queen
Weds 4th KS2 Choir to St Georges
Thurs 5th Yr 3 Xmas experience at the Church
Tea Afternoon - 4LC
Fri 6th Yr 4 to the Cathedral
Mon 9th KS1 Xmas performance, 2pm
Tues 10th KS1 Xmas performance, 5.30pm
Weds 11th Reception Xmas performance, 10am
Thurs 12th Reception Xmas performance, 10am
Tea Afternoon - 4KC
Fri 13th PTA Xmas Party, 7.30pm
Mon 16th Reception, Yr 1 Redgrave Theatre Trip, Dear Santa
Tues 17th Reception diary visit
Weds 18th Children's Xmas lunch
Thurs 19th Christmas Service at Christ Church, 10am, all welcome
Fri 20th End of Term 2, Xmas Jumper Day

INSET & ACADEMY DAYS:

Monday 6th January 2020
Friday 22nd May 2020
Mon 20th July 2020
One further day to be arranged
Tues 1st & Weds 2nd September 2020