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## Christ Church CE Primary Newsletter 23: 16th March 2018

### Message from Mr Campbell:

The penultimate week of Term 4 has now come to an end and it was another super busy one here at Christ Church. The sound of steel pans echoed around the school once again from our Year 3 musicians. The progress they have made has been superb under the expert guidance of Alfonso. It will be brilliant to see their concert on Monday next week.

On Wednesday and Thursday we had our second parents' evening of the academic year. Thanks for coming along to these important meetings, and thanks to the teachers for all their hard work and late evenings.

Thanks also to the parents who came along to the meeting on Wednesday led by Mrs Richardson on how to support your children at home with reading and writing. This was a really worthwhile session. Thanks to Mrs Richardson for leading that.

We had some special visitors from QEH on Thursday – six Year 9 boys who came to read with some Year 3 pupils. It was great to see the secondary pupils working with younger pupils. They listened to the Year 3 pupils read, asked them questions about their books and then the older pupils told us about what books they read.

We had a special assembly on Thursday to hear about all the amazing work that was produced for World Book Day. The children had produced a wonderful array of writing, art and drama – amazing. I read the follow up book – The Day The Crayons Came Home - in assembly; the books are funny and beautifully illustrated.

We were excited to welcome the Clifton College choir to Christ Church today to hold another practise in preparation for the big concert in April.

Next week is going to be another busy week with Sport Relief and our Easter events.

Have a super weekend!

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## Year 4 Roman Baths Visit



Year 4 had a fabulous and educational day at the Roman Baths on Monday. In the morning, we explored ancient Roman society by walking through the Museum whilst listening to Michael Rosen explaining it all on our audioguides. We were especially enchanted with the natural hot springs in the baths that bubbles from underground. The Romans used to think this water was sacred, believing that the steam rising from it was the breath of Sulis Minerva, their most revered goddess. We were also eager to try drinking the spring water, which Romans thought had healing properties. It turned out that it wasn't as delicious as we thought!

In the afternoon we all piled into the activity room where we learned about Roman cooking (did you know that Romans used to eat rotten fish guts, peacock brains and mice dipped in honey?) and were shown authentic ancient Roman artefacts. We also tried our hand at making mosaics, and put our fashion sense to the test as we dressed ourselves in the Togas and Tunics that the ancient Romans used to wear.



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## Reception - special doctor visit

'People who help us'

On Thursday afternoon Reception were really lucky to have Saskia's mummy who is a paediatrician to come in and talk about what she does. We enjoyed dressing up in 'scrubs' - special doctor clothing and using proper medical equipment such as a stethoscope and a heart rate monitor!

Dominique showed us different ways to help make a foot or leg get better. She put a plaster cast on Saskia's arm to show us how to mend a broken arm! We had fun finding out about the different jobs that people do in a hospital.



## 1ZH Assembly - 'The Bog Baby'

1ZH proudly performed our class assembly on Thursday 8th March. We really enjoyed sharing all of our learning about the story 'The Bog Baby' by Jeanne Willis. We shared lots of artwork such as clay models, collage illustrations and watercolour paintings of Bog Baby. We also shared our wonderful writing as we had used our super imaginations to write a diary entry as Bog Baby about his day when he visited school. The audience were also treated to a rendition of the 'Bog Baby' song complete with actions and a communal retelling of the beginning of the story.



## Yr 3 Measuring

This week Year 3 have been focusing on measuring perimeter. We took the children into the playground to measure some giant shapes! They used meter sticks, trundle wheels and rulers to find the length of each side. After making jottings, they calculated the perimeter. The children worked fantastically together and Mr Curry and Miss Antoniou were very impressed with the amazing Maths that was going on.



## Yr 3 Clifton College Triathlon

Last Friday afternoon, 8 tenacious year 3 students overcame a herculean triathlon hosted by Clifton College. Together the children had to: tackle breathless athletic challenges; collectively swim 400m and sprint through the wind and the rain!

We were so impressed by their positive attitude and teamwork – what an inspiring bunch!  
Mr Eades and Miss Dreznin.



## Yr 5 & 6 Swimming

Our swimmers represented the school superbly on Tuesday at Easton Swimming Pool. Despite some of our swimmers being a bit nervous, they gave it a real go; to make it even more amazing was that one of those swimmers actually won their race. The official times will be sent over next week, and we will find out who has qualified for the finals in April.

## Yr 3 & 4 Football League

Last Friday, a selection of Year 4 footballers pulled on the royal blue kits to compete in a tournament at Coombe Dingle Sports Centre – it was a competitive event and our boys reached the bronze place playoff. After extra time, they were victorious, finishing third with a 2-1 victory.

There was a finals event yesterday at Bristol South Sports Centre. This was the culmination of some hard work, skill and determination. Although there were only 12 boys at the competition yesterday, every single player from Year 3 and 4 deserve praise.

Thanks as always to our family and friends who support with transport to the events.



## Netball Festival at Clifton High School

Well done to our netballers who have arrived at school early for the last few days to practise their footwork, passing and shooting, in preparation for their tournament today at Clifton High. Thanks to Mrs Crabb and Ms Reed for giving up their time to help. We will find out next week how they get on.



## Invitations

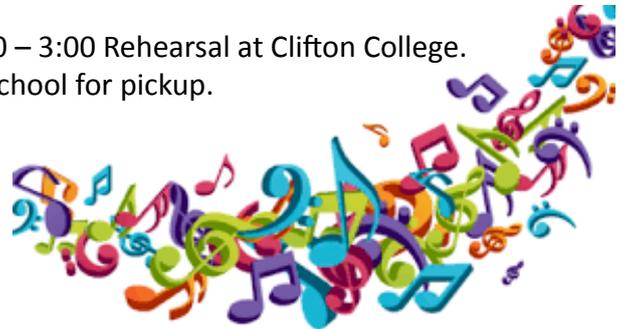


Year 5 and KS2 choir Christ Church Choir and Clifton College choir are teaming up for another year in the summer term to sing a fantastic concert full of rousing pop songs. The date of the concert is:

**Tues 24th April in the evening - Letter sent home to parents**

To book tickets for this event please use the following link:-  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdRIGI-N5t9IFLbQ21RzAr7QVpUmusiTPKoO45UtcDp9GmHww/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdRIGI-N5t9IFLbQ21RzAr7QVpUmusiTPKoO45UtcDp9GmHww/viewform?usp=sf_link)

April 23rd 1:30 – 3:00 Rehearsal at Clifton College.  
Returning to school for pickup.



**Katharine Hill, author of "Left to Their Own Devices".**

New date - Thursday 19th April,  
7.30pm at School

## Sport Relief 2018, Friday 23rd March

Christ Church will be holding a running challenge for Sport Relief. The goal will be to run 10 laps around the school. Each lap is approximately 250m giving a total of 2.5km (1.5 miles). Our goal, as a school, is to run 1000km (621 miles).

We would like children to come to school in their sports clothes.

Reception will run as a year group on their own. Year 1 and 2 will pair up; Year 3 and 4; and Year 5 and 6.

AiP's smoothie bike will be on site this day, and lunch will be a healthy roast dinner - fish and chips will be on Thursday instead.

The school will not be taking donations directly, but it would be amazing if you could give to this great cause through their television/ web appeal.



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## Letters home

Year 5 QEH Theatre Trip Letter  
Chocolottery – emailed out  
EYFS, Yr1&2 Easter Bonnet Parade  
EYFS – Voluntary Food Contribution  
Year 6 – Sats Revision Booklets  
Year 4 Roman Day  
Year 6 WW2 Day



## Reminders

### Year 5 Camp

Last payment of £45 is due **today** Friday 16th March 2018.

### Year 6 Camp

4th payment of £70 is due **today** Friday 16th March 2018 – please ensure you log onto ParentPay or visit the school office to make this payment by cash/card.

**School meals**- please pre book your child's meal on ParentPay - meals will not be provided otherwise

**Year 6 WW2 DAY** – Weds 21 March - Dressing up as a child from the 1940's

**Year 4 Roman Day** – Weds 21 March - Dressing up as a Roman

## Whole School Mathletics is coming next week!



## Term 4 & 5, 2018 Dates

### March:

Tues 20th Mar	EYFS learning diary drop in, 8.45am
Weds 21st Mar	Y4 Roman Day Y6 WW2 day EYFS Maths meeting, 9am
Thurs 22nd Mar	Easter service at the Church, 10am, all welcome <b>3KA tea afternoon</b>
Fri 23rd Mar	Sport Relief AiP Smoothie Bike End of Term 4

**Term 5 starts on Monday 9th April**

**Year 5 camp 9-11th April**

**INSET days - Mon 23rd, Tues 24th July (children not in school)**

**Academy day - Fri 25th May (school data day - children not in school)**

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