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## **Christ Church CE Primary Newsletter 22: 9th March 2018**

### **Message from Mrs Jones:**

What a difference a week makes!

There is a lot to catch up with this week as we missed a newsletter due to the snow last week. We were having so much fun celebrating World Book Day last Thursday; some children were heard to say they wanted to stay in school to finish their activities. Thank you to Mrs Richardson who inspired us all with a day based on the story, *The Day the Crayons Quit*, by Drew Daywalt and illustrated by Oliver Jeffers. We started the day with an assembly led by Mr Campbell, the red crayon, to listen to the story read by our 'teacher' crayons. The hall was awash with colour and laughter. The children have continued their activities this week and we hope to create a display in time for parents evening.



We have had a prayer space in school this week. Every child has been given the opportunity to visit and explore the range of reflective activities on offer. The children have really valued the opportunity to be calm and thoughtful in a quiet, peaceful place. A huge thank you to Pastor Ruthy and her team for facilitating this for us. The children have asked for the prayer space to return as soon as possible.

During parent's evenings the School Governors will be in the school library inviting parents to complete a short questionnaire about school funding, attendance and communication. We hope to capture as many responses as possible so please take a few moments to share your thoughts on these strategic themes.

Reception parents and carers-please come along at 9am on Wednesday 14th March to the school hall for the EYFS reading and writing workshop.

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## World Book Day

The 'white' colour we all saw falling from the sky didn't stop the fun at Christ Church School. The children all looked fantastic, such a variety of colours and some super crayon costumes. The red crayon, blue crayon and pink crayon were among the Christ Church favourite crayon colours for the day!

The whole school came together for an assembly led by the red crayon (Mr Campbell). The teachers enjoyed taking on the role of different colour crayons to share the story "The Day the Crayons Quit". Orange and yellow (Mr Eades and Miss Holland) crayons were made to shake hands and be friends. The beige, pink and peach crayons are colours the children will certainly use more! (Mr Curry, Mrs Fowler and Miss Halton). Thank you to all the staff who supported the assembly and for planning such creative learning opportunities for the children around the story by Drew Daywalt and illustrated by Oliver Jeffers.

The children all bought home a World Book Day token on Thursday. These can be used until Saturday 31st March 2018.

We hope you enjoy looking at the photos and look out for the World Book Day display when you come to parents evening next week.









## Yr 5 Food Topic

Year 5 have been having a lot of fun with our food topic - the last 2 weeks they have made delicious traditional shortbread and German biscuits.



## Yr 4 Science

Year 4 took advantage of yesterday's sunny afternoon and went outside for our Science lesson. We were on the look out for living things within the school's local environment. We found woodlice and worms wiggling in the woodland area and spotted daffodils and snowdrops poking out of the ground.



## Yr 2 Gymnastics

Congratulations to all the Year 2 children that took part in the Gymnastics competition at the Bristol Gymnastics Centre. They had all learnt their routine and performed brilliantly in front of the judges – pointy toes were in abundance! Having completed their routines they were rewarded by being able to explore and enjoy the fantastic gymnastics equipment available at the centre including high rings, bars, vaults and trampolines. All the children did us proud and many medals were awarded. Well done to all participants.



## Yr 5&6 Kwikstix Hockey

Our hockey players had a super morning on Tuesday at Merchants' Academy representing Christ Church.

They had the opportunity to practise their skills, and then played 8 matches in total, with a healthy win rate. As always our athletes demonstrated great skills, effort and sportsmanship.



## Yr 3&4 Football League

A superb performance yesterday from our Year 3 and 4 footballers. One of our teams finished **second** overall - a brilliant performance. Our mixed Year 4/3 team fought superbly. Thanks to the family and friends who helped with transport and to Mr Curry for coming along to help.



## 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 to follow with details**

We will be sending letters home and reminder emails in good time to secure tickets for the show and with important details, but in advance, here are the dates for the rehearsals and the concert itself.

March 16th 1:30 – 3:00 Rehearsal at Christ Church with all of Clifton College choir

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



## PTA Quiz Night, Tonight, 7.30pm, School Hall



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

As we had to postpone this talk due to the snow, we will appraise you of a new date once we can get this from Katharine (likely to be Term 5)



## Quiz Night

## Whole School Mathletics is coming! - dont buy a subscription, we will write to you about this next week.



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## Christ Church School flagship kitchen for AiP



Our new caterers, AiP, have chosen Christ Church School as one of their flagship schools; we had a marketing team from AiP come to school this week to take photos of our children relishing their delicious lunches, and talk to the children about what they enjoy about their school lunchtimes.

Some of the AiP directors attended the session, and were delighted to hear the children saying that they love the choice of food, the addition of the salad bar, and they like the fact that the kitchen staff always talk to them about what they would like to eat, looking at them and smiling!



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# Prayer space



Everyone has big questions about life.  
What are **your** big questions?  
If you could ask God one question right now,  
**what would it be?**





## Letters home

Clifton High Netball Tournament (invite)  
Year 3 / 4 Football League (change of venue for 15th March)  
Mrs Rowe Leaving Date



## Reminders

### Year 5 / 6 Netball Tournament

The netball tournament organised by the Ashton Park Schools Sports Partnership will no longer be continuing however those children who were participating in this event have been invited to a Netball Festival next Friday 16th March at Clifton High School – letters coming home with those children today.

### Year 3 / 4 Football League

Next Thursday's matches will now be held at [South Bristol Sports Centre](#) and not [Merchants Academy](#) – letter coming home with children today to confirm new venue. Please sign and return permission slips to the school office by Wednesday 14th March.

### Year 5 Camp

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

### Year 6 Camp

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

## Term 4 & 5, 2018 Dates

### March:

Mon 12th Mar	Yr 6 to Christ Church, Easter Experience Yr 4 Roman Baths Trip
Tues 13th Mar	Yr 5 & 6 Swimming Gala
Weds 14th Mar	EYFS reading meeting, 9am Parents evening, 3.30-7pm PTA meeting, 7.30pm, venue TBC
Thurs 15th Mar	Parents evening, 3.30-5.30pm Yr 3 & 4 Football League, South Bristol Sports Centre 4-5.30pm 2KH tea afternoon
Friday 16th Mar	KS2 Netball Festival, Clifton High School, 1-4pm, pick up at school 4.15pm
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 Yr 3 & 4 Football League, Merchants Academy, 4-5.30pm 3KA tea afternoon
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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