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## Christ Church CE Primary Newsletter 19: 31st January 2020

### Message from Mrs Jones:

As January comes to a close we are looking ahead to our **local history week**. Next week the children will be investigating a variety of enquiry themes-

Reception: Old and new, looking for clues about the past, Year 1: the history of our school, Year 2: Brilliant Bristolians, Year 3: Tudor Bristol, Year 4: How Bristol began, Year 5: What can clues in Clifton tell us about life in the past? Year 6: Georgian Bristol-what happened in 17th Century?

The children will be out and about in Bristol as well as learning from visitors and historical sources of evidence in school. If you have any photos or stories of life in Bristol in the past do let your child's class teacher know.

Keep noticing- the crocuses and daffodils are peeping through at our main entrance gate and Lansdown Road corner. Have a look for the first hints that Spring will come.

**'Taking notice,'** of what is around us is one of 5 steps to improve well-being as researched by NEF (new economics foundation) in 2008. Below, I have listed the 5 steps perhaps you could try to do at least one over the weekend.

- connect
  - be active
  - take notice
  - keep learning
  - give

Thank you to Miss O'Grady who has been teaching in 3TC we wish you well with the next steps in your training.

**School lunch info:** Not everyone managed to have ice-cream today as the delivery didn't arrive. However, everyone was offered a pudding of fruit or a biscuit. We will have the ice cream next week when it comes. As a consequence there was a vast amount of fruit consumed; pineapple, orange and banana which was great to see- what a fruity Friday!

### PTA

Connect with your friends and our school community by coming to the Curry Night and party on Friday, 7th February at 7.30pm.

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## Year 2 African Drumming

The Yr2s loved their African Drumming workshops with Adam from Chango Music. It certainly woke the whole school up on a Monday morning! We learnt different ways of playing the djembe drums to get different sounds and then put these together whilst singing an African song.



# Year 5 Lego Robotics workshop

Year 5 had a great day on Wednesday, taking part in Lego robotics. Each team started the day with the task of building a lego robot. After play, they learnt how to program their robots, using the software brought along. Each robot had several missions to complete and each team had to program their robot to accomplish as many missions as possible. The missions brought points and the day turned quickly in to a competition between the teams! Nature's fury fired Year 5 programming to another level. Robots were zooming, turning and crashing here, there and everywhere. Some robots needed reprogramming, while others sped to success. The day finished with a lot of pleased faces as the robots proudly completed their missions in front of a smiling audience.



## Yr 5/6 Football League A Team

The A team ran their socks off in last night's football tournament to secure another 7 points in the league. Over the course of the three week tournament, the A team have now secured 8 wins, 2 draws and 2 losses - quite an achievement. We now await the results of the league table which will inform us if we are one of the four teams which have progressed through to the finals. Fingers crossed! These results are scheduled to be released either this coming Monday or Tuesday. Well done boys - we're all really proud of your performances and teamwork. Miss Barsby



## Yr 5/6 Football League B Team

The Year 5/6 B team footballers performed admirably last night in the final session of matches. Despite two defeats in their first matches, they kept battling and did not let their heads drop. They won their third match and were unlucky not to win their final match - a score draw was the result. Thank you to family and friends for supporting with transport and for braving the wind and cold.



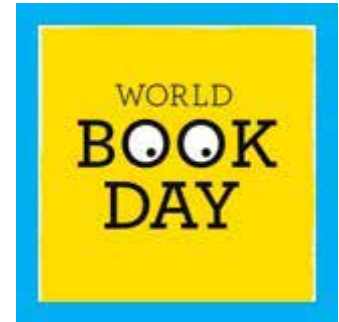
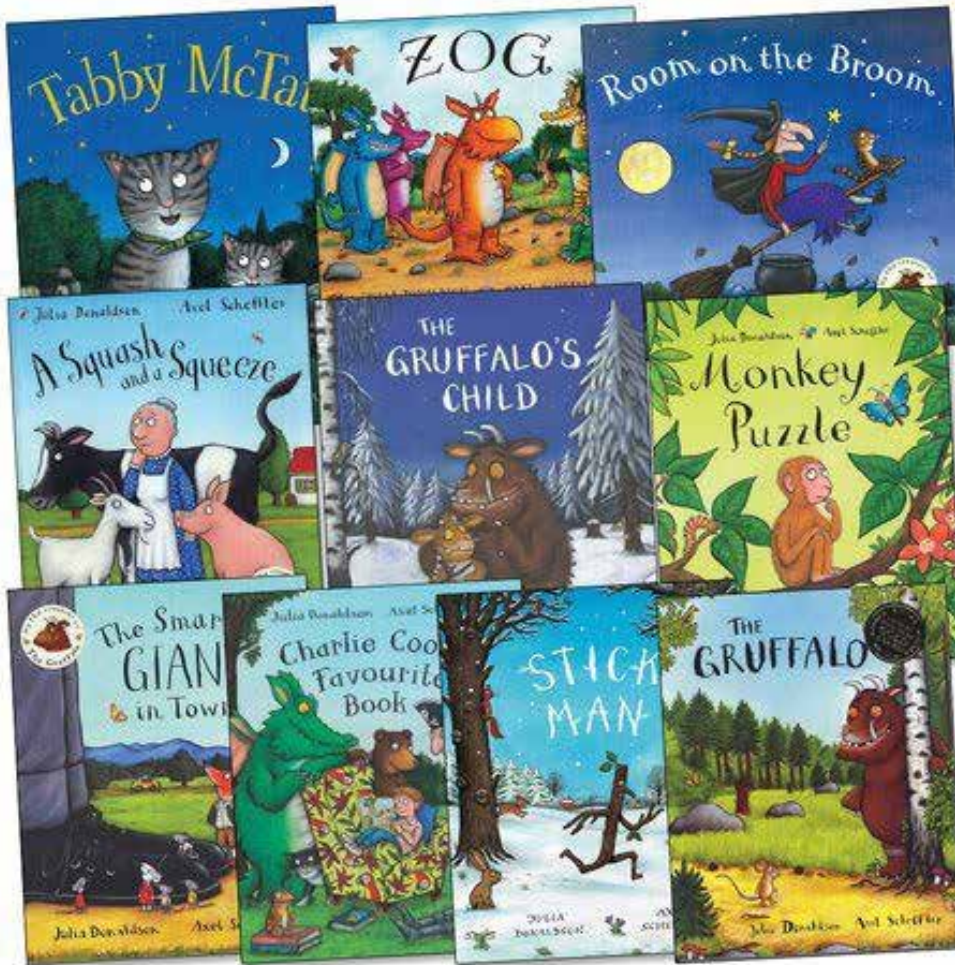
## Year 3 Taiko Drumming

Our drumming workshops have continued this week and Robin had a surprise visitor for year 3...the biggest drum we had ever seen! The children had an amazing time experiencing this and said it 'made my whole body vibrate'. As you can imagine, it was heard across the whole school. Roll on next week!



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# World Book Day, Thursday 5th March



In Tuesday's assembly, the children were introduced to the theme for World Book Day – the superb stories of Julia Donaldson and her amazing range of exciting characters.

In the week of World Book day, the pupils will be doing a range of activities. Each class will be learning a poem or retelling and performing one of Julia Donaldson's stories..

After the success of Reception's 'Gruffalo Crumble and the tasty but Terrible Tusks. There will be a special themed lunch, which will include a tasty Gruffalo Pie.

The Yellow-Lighted bookshop is coming on Wednesday 4th March to run a book fair for us. They are an independent bookshop and have a beautiful shop in Tetbury. Mrs Richardson has been working with them to ensure a selection of high quality fiction and non-fiction books for all age ranges are part of the book fair, so you and your children can buy books. The fair bookshop is so important for us as it gives money for us to buy books for our school library and the classroom . Further details about the book fair will be sent nearer the time.

On Thursday 5th March, It would be superb if children could choose one of the characters to dress up as. This could be as simple as a prop: a tie from 'The Smartest Giant In Town'; a broom from 'Room On The Broom'; a paintbrush from 'The Magic Paintbrush'. We do not expect you to purchase a full costume.

## PTA news:



# Curry & Party Night

Friday 7th February, 7.30pm - Midnight

Welcome Drink  
Food by the Curry Dad's  
Bar-Entertainment-Disco

Don't miss out! The Curry and Party Night is ON this coming Friday 7th February at 7.30pm!

This is the last chance to buy your tickets! We are extending the deadline to 9am this coming Monday. Click here <https://www.paypal.me/PTAChristChurch> and buy your tickets at £18pp by simply entering the total price.

We're looking forward to seeing you all there!

## Dates for your diaries - up and coming events:

School Disco (children)	Friday 28th February
Quiz Night	Friday 20th March
Summer Fair	Sunday 17th May
Mile of Pennies	Thursday 4th or 11th June
CampFest	Friday 10th to Sunday 12th July

## Christ Church news:

Everyone is warmly welcomed to any of our Sunday Gatherings:

8am (Holy Communion)

10am (with groups for children)

5pm (more contemporary)

Or Wednesdays at 11am for more traditional worship.

The Spire Coffee shop is open in the Church from 9am – 4.30pm Mon, Tue, Thur and Fri.

Hot and cold lunches available, with a kids menu too.

There is also a small weekly prayer meeting in the Church at 9am on Wednesdays, especially for the school. If you would like to find out more, please contact [helena.whitwell@gmail.com](mailto:helena.whitwell@gmail.com)

The Toddlers group meets in the Crypt on Thursdays at 10am and 2pm, just £1 per family. Also, on Mondays at 10.30am in the coffee shop.

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## Letters home this week:

### Letters

Event of School Closure Letter  
Reception Forest School Workshops

### Google Forms

Yr2 Mullers Museum photo consent  
Yr6 History Trip

### Emails

Yr3 Local Tudor Tour  
Yr4 Local History Tour  
Valentines & Pancake Day Fliers



## Reminders:

Please remember to pre book lunches on ParentPay.  
Please let the school office know of any changes to address, tel numbers, emails or medical requirements.  
Please remember to log into ParentPay to consent/contribute for school trips

## Term 3 & 4 2020 Dates

### Term 3:

#### February:

Mon 3rd	Local History Focus week (every afternoon this week) Yr 1 Trip to Bristol Zoo
Tues 4th	Reception Gruffalo outdoor workshop at school Yr 5 Liquid Nitrogen Show, in school Yr 3 local Tudor tour, Yr 4 local history tour
Thurs 6th	Yr 6 Trip to John Wesley's Chapel & New Room Yr 3/4 Boys Football, South Bristol Sports Centre, 3.45-5.45pm 1AN Tea Afternoon
Fri 7th	Yr 2 Trip to the George Müller Museum PTA Curry & Party Night, 7.30pm at school
Tues 11th	Safer Internet Day
Weds 12th	Yr 5 Art Workshop in school Yr 5 Kilve Camp meeting, 3.25pm at school
Thurs 13th	Yr 3/4 Boys Football, South Bristol Sports Centre, 3.45-5.45pm Yr 3 Trip To Bristol Museum 6CE Tea Afternoon
Fri 14th	Term 3 ends

### Term 4:

#### February:

Mon 24th	Term 4 starts
Thurs 27th	Yr 3/4 Boys Football, South Bristol Sports Centre, 3.45-5.45pm
Fri 28th	PTA Children's Disco

#### March:

Thurs 5th	World Book Day
Fri 13th	Sport Relief
Weds 18th	Parents evening, 3.30-7.00pm
Thurs 19th	Parents evening, 3.30-5.30pm
Fri 20th	PTA Quiz Night

#### April:

Thurs 2nd	Easter service at the Church, 10am, everyone welcome
Fri 3rd	Term 4 ends

### INSET & ACADEMY DAYS:

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