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## **Christ Church CE Primary Newsletter 3: 21st September 2018**

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

It's been a blustery week, with an Autumnal feel so it was time to elect our new House captains for this school year. Mr Campbell has refreshed our House system and rebalanced the membership of each House. Everyone was looking forward to seeing what their new House could achieve during the year ahead.

*“None of us, including me, ever do great things. But we can all do small things, with great love, and together we can do something wonderful.” – Mother Teresa*

On Wednesday 26th September we will be joining in with European languages Day and each class is planning to celebrate the languages spoken by children in their class. If you have a spare moment at the weekend why not think of a few phrases to share with your class or research and learn a greeting in a new language? School lunches will have an Italian theme with popular meatballs and lasagne on the menu, *delizioso!*

Our Reception children have made a very positive start to their learning journey at our school. see below the lovely self portraits that they have produced. Next week they will be staying for lunch and from Wednesday they will be staying for full days. There is a welcome meeting at 9am for all Reception parents on Wednesday and on Thursday the Church have extended a welcome for any new families and Reception parents joining our school to have a coffee and cake in the Spire café located in the Church.



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**RVG in next week!**

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## KS2 Cross country

The weather was wet and windy. The grass was heavy and slippery. Ashton Park Secondary School was the venue for their annual cross country event. Our runners performed brilliantly, both as individuals and as teams.

Team Results			
Y3/4 Boys	1st	Y3/4 Girls	4th
Y5 Boys	4th	Y5 Girls	1st
Y6 Boys	2nd	Y6 Girls	1st
Individual Medallists			
Y3/4 Boys	Joab - Silver	Y3/4 Girls	Grace R - Gold
		Y5 Girls	Amelie - Bronze
Y6 Boys	Seth - Bronze	Y6 Girls	Isabelle H – Gold Isabelle C - Silver

We are super proud of every one of our runners, who all played their part in the competition. Special mention to the big number of Year 3 boys, competing in their first cross country race. Thanks, as always, to family and friends who came along to support the runners – especially with the difficult conditions.



## New House Names Launched and New Captains Elected

This week saw the launch of our new houses.

We had an assembly on Thursday to introduce the new houses to the children. The background to the house choices was given. We had our first house competition – dancing to ‘Mamma Mia’, then the whole school sang beautifully to those iconic ABBA lyrics.

These houses all represent four brilliant elements of our wonderful city.

**Aardman** – Their beautiful animated characters have been a focal point in our city. Both Gromit Unleashed One and Two were massive events; sculptures were placed around the city and ‘hunters’ searched to find these icons, taking photos and making memories along the way. The awesome thing about these events is the money raised from auctioning off the sculptures goes to Bristol Children’s hospital (The Grand Appeal). A brilliant house to be part of.



**Brunel** – Isambard Kingdom Brunel is somewhat of a legend in our city. You do not need to travel far to see his influence on the city. The wonderful Clifton Suspension Bridge adorns our very own logo. The SS Great Britain sits moored in The Floating Harbour. Temple Meads is a stunning piece of architecture. Brunel is an icon of engineering, creativity and perseverance, that we can all look to – a great house to be part of.



**Concorde** – One of the fastest passenger planes to fly at supersonic speeds, Concorde is a marvel of engineering; breaking the sound barrier and hitting speeds of over 1300mph. Ten of these planes were built in our home city, Bristol. Our school values, of cooperation and aspiration, were clearly at work during the manufacture of these ‘falcons of the sky’. Concorde Alpha Foxtrot sits proudly at the Bristol Aerospace Museum and is definitely worth a visit, to see the last Concorde to fly and see the hard work that the men and women put in to create this wonder. Being part of Concorde House at Christ Church reminds us of what a huge part Bristol plays in aerospace – past and present.



**Matthew** – You will not miss the glorious sails of the Matthew, which is moored by the M Shed. Regularly, you will see this replica sailing elegantly around the harbour and further afield, down the Avon to Avonmouth. This is a replica of the boat, which John Cabot (Giovanni Caboto as he was in his native Italy) sailed on to Newfoundland, Canada in 1497, using sailors from this great city. The Matthew epitomises the important role Bristol played in shipping. This is a super house to be part of – ‘Ship, Shape and Bristol Fashion may be a possible slogan.



House Captains			
Aardman		Brunel	
Paddy	Isla	Aalto	Isabelle H
Concorde		Matthew	
Ollie	Abi	Alex	Trinnie

## European Day of Languages - can you help?

European Day of Languages – Wednesday 26th September

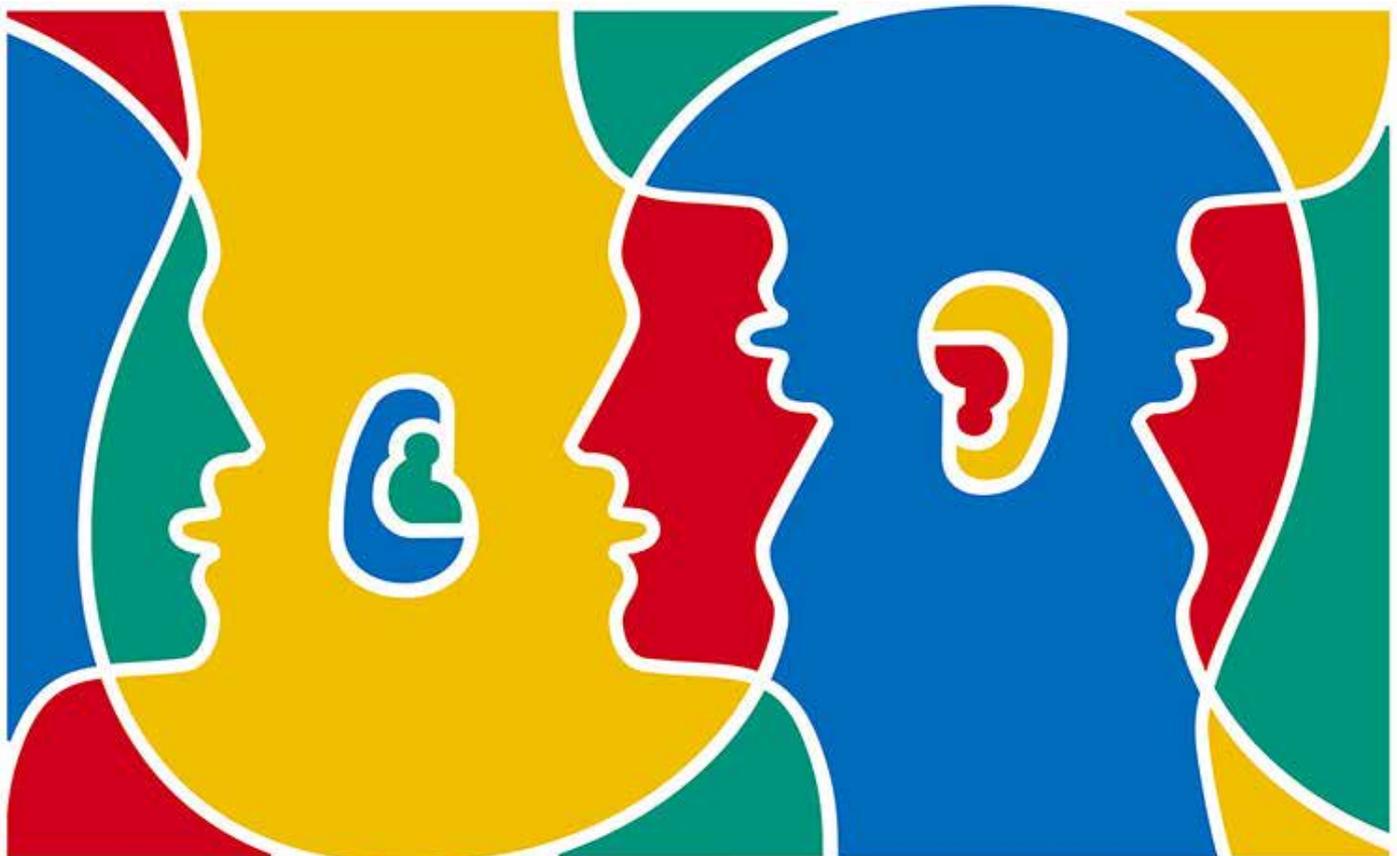
We would like to celebrate the diversity in our school by taking part in the European Day of Languages on Wednesday 26th September. Although it is “European”, the Christ Church version will be “Worldwide”.

During this day, we are hoping the children will share some of their varying cultures with their classes and year groups, discussing topics such as clothing, religion, food and of course sharing their language skills. This may mean they teach a friend to count to 10 or how to greet someone in their language. We are hoping that as many different languages as possible will be taught, learnt and celebrated.

We would love parents and carers to be involved too. If you are able to speak another language, have lived in another country or come from another country and are willing to spare anything from 10 minutes to an hour, please let us know. You could come and teach some children to count in your language; explain what life is like in your country or speak to us about some of your country’s delicacies – whatever you feel comfortable doing. This may be in your child’s class or year group, or further up/down the school.

Please speak to Mrs Brown (Wed/Thurs/Fri) or Madame Maurier if you are able to help out on this day.  
Merci, danke, gracias.

Claire Brown and Anne-Claire Maurier



## Christ Church Clifton PreSchool

Spaces available at Christ Church Clifton Pre School - contact Lyndsey Cutter, Pre-School Administrator on [cccliftonpreschool@gmail.com](mailto:cccliftonpreschool@gmail.com) for more information



## Flu Vaccinations

Please ensure consent packs are returned to the school office if you wish your child to receive the Flu vaccination and you must also complete the google form on parent pay.

## PTA news

PTA Social and AGM - 7.30pm Wednesday 10th October at school.  
Everyone welcome - new and old!  
Come and find out about the PTA, tell us your ideas or just have a free glass of wine!  
We hope to see you there.



## Back by popular demand - Christ Church PTA Sponsored Fun Run

**Saturday 29th September 2018**, Clifton College New Fields (where Sports Day is held)  
10.00am Registration \*\* 10:15am Warm Up \*\* **10:30am Fun Run Begins**

Open to all Christ Church pupils and siblings who register. All money raised will go to help fund pupil activities through PTA projects. Entry to the Fun Run is free. Fancy dress is optional. Running, walking, hopping... you decide!  
All Children receive a medal and chocolate treat after competing!  
Prize for the most sponsorship money raised!  
You decide how many laps you like to run – 2, 4, 6 - or how about 20!  
All welcome to come and support the children!



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## School lunches

Please book your children's lunches on ParentPay, even if they are free school meals. It is parent's responsibility to book lunches not the school office. Daily menus have been added to ParentPay so that you have greater visibility of the menu. Please choose options with your child; within the hot option there will still be the choice on the day at the counter between meat, vegetarian and jacket potato. If your child has moved from Year 2 to Year 3 this year, please note that KS2 lunches are payable at £2.25 a meal.



## Contacting the school:

If you would like to raise issues or ideas with the school, you can do this through emailing the school office ([christ.church.p@bristol-schools.uk](mailto:christ.church.p@bristol-schools.uk)) or emailing the school governors ([gcp@bristol-schools.uk](mailto:gcp@bristol-schools.uk)).

## Communications home this week - if you havent received these and feel you should have done, please speak to the school office:

Curriculum Newsletters via email  
Reception ParentPay Activation Letters  
Year 6 Secondary Application Process via email  
Flu Vaccination – form  
Year 5/6 Rugby League  
Change of menu for 26th Sept

## Term 1, 2018 Dates

### Term 1:

#### September:

Mon 24th Yr 5/6 Rugby League, Broad Plain Rugby Club, 4-5.45pm  
Weds 26th Reception in full time, 'meet the parents' meeting at 9am  
Thurs 27th 6ED Tea Afternoon  
Fri 28th KS2 Choir at Colston Hall, pm  
Sat 29th PTA fun run

#### October:

Mon 1st Yr 5/6 Rugby League, Broad Plain Rugby Club, 4-5.45pm  
Thurs 4th 6CE Tea Afternoon  
Mon 8th Yr 5/6 Rugby League, Broad Plain Rugby Club, 4-5.45pm  
Weds 10th PTA social, 7.30pm at school  
Thurs 11th Yr2 Trip to Slimbridge  
RVG & RRP Tea Afternoon  
Mon 15th Reception & Yr 1 Yoga starts (weekly session until 3rd Dec)  
Yr 5/6 Rugby League, Broad Plain Rugby Club, 4-5.45pm (only if reach finals)  
Thurs 18th KS2 Swimming Gala, Hengrove Leisure Centre, through school day  
5WB Tea Afternoon  
Thurs 25th Harvest Celebration at the Church, 10am, all welcome  
2KF Tea Afternoon  
Fri 26th End of Term 1

### Mon 29th Oct - Fri 2nd Nov HALF TERM

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