



Excellence Confidence Enriched Nurtured Happy

Christ Church CE Primary Newsletter 16: 12th January 2018

Message From Mrs Jones:

We held our first celebration assembly of 2018 this morning and it was wonderful to hear about the children persevering and being excited by the new challenges in their learning. Our Jigsaw theme this term is 'dreams and goals' and there were many examples of the children demonstrating our school value of Aspiration.

'By perseverance the snail reached the ark.' Charles H. Spurgeon
When the world says, 'give up', Hope whispers, 'Try it one more time.' Anon
'Let us run with perseverance the race that lies before us.' Hebrews 12.1.2

The PTA are also aspiring to plan lots of fundraising events for our school community; to get involved or offer your ideas and support please come along to school at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 17th January.

Many classes have been out and about around school thinking about road safety and making safe choices when crossing the roads around our school site. We have also been visited by Cliff the cat the mascot of Clifton Down shopping centre with whom we are partnering on the Footprints project. Year 2 have begun to learn a dance for the festival in February and Year 3 have started a 6 week programme of Samba drumming.

perseverance.



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Yr 5&6 Science Workshop

On Tuesday, Year 5 and 6 were treated to a brilliant Science Workshop looking at Liquid Nitrogen. The workshop was carried out by 5 Year 10 students from Badminton School with one of their science teachers making sure that no one got injured. Ros had a great time smashing a banana that had been frozen to -196°C in the liquid nitrogen and some other year 5 and 6s enjoyed tickling flowers which knocked all the petals off! It was an outstanding display of science and a fantastic experience to be inspired by some science role models.



Cliff the Cat!

We had a special, feline visitor to school on Thursday - 'Cliff The Cat'. He was here to promote a brilliant project involving Christ Church and Clifton Down Shopping Centre.

The project is called 'Refresh Your Footprint'. Its aim is to;

- * Reduce the Clifton Down SC impact/footprint on the environment
- * Increase involvement in 'refresh' and 'recycle' initiatives for tenants and visitors to Clifton Down SC
- * Encourage children in the local community to learn about the environmental benefits of recycling
- * Dovetail with the waste audit at Clifton Down SC and sustainability programme of owners Black Rock

Classes from Christ Church have been decorating some gigantic, wooden feet, using recycled materials. These feet will form part of an art installation to be displayed at the shopping centre, and unveiled on Friday 19th January. Stay tuned for more information and photos of the Big Feet.



Taking another step for the Environment!

Clifton Down Shopping Centre & Christ Church School Environmental Partnership Project:

All parents/guardians and children are invited to the launch of the exhibition in Clifton Down Shopping Centre on **Friday 19th January at 4pm**. Please come along to celebrate the children's work.

Art work will be exhibited from the 19th January – 26th January. Recycling donations to create the art work welcomed by Monday 8th January as per letter, thank you.

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Yr 2 Dance Festival

Y2 have been preparing for their Dance Festival on the 6th February. We were lucky to have Debbie in from Ashton Park School to teach us our dances. The theme this year is Lights, Camera, Action, 2KF will be dancing to a Zootropolis song and 2KH to Moana. We now have a lot of practice to put in before February!



Sportshall Athletics

Our Year 5/6 athletes performed superbly well in the final of this indoor event. The team competed brilliantly in a range of running, jumping and throwing events. We finished in third place; a great achievement given that 20 schools entered the first rounds of the event. Thanks to the parents who helped with transport and thanks to Mr Curry for giving up his time to come along and help.



PTA news

First PTA meeting of 2018 - at school, 17th January, 7.30pm

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Letters home this week

Reception Trip to Bristol zoo
Year 3 Trip to Bristol Museum
Year 5 Dodgeball Competition
Reception Visit to Christ Church

Reminders

Please remember to log onto ParentPay to give your consent for upcoming trips.
The second instalment for Year 5 and Year 6 Camp is due before 20th January. Please log in to ParentPay to make this payment or visit the school office.

Term 3&4 2018 Dates

Term 3:

January:

Mon 15th	Yr 5/6 Dodgeball, Ashton Park, 3.00-5.00pm
Tues 16th	4JH & 1ZH Road Safety sessions
Weds 17th	PTA meeting, school, 7.30pm
Thurs 18th	6CE Road Safety session 1ZH Tea afternoon
Fri 19th	Yr 5/6 Football League, Merchants Academy, 4.00-5.45pm Clifton Down Shopping Centre & Christ Church School Environmental Partnership Project launch, 4pm Clifton Down Shopping Centre
Tues 23rd	Reception Zoo Trip 6ED Road Safety session
Thurs 25th	5RR Class Assembly, 9.10am 2KF Tea afternoon Yr 5/6 Football League, Merchants Academy, 4.00-5.45pm
Mon 29th	Yr 1 Zoo Trip Yr 6 Red Cross Awareness session

February:

Thurs 1st	5WB Class Assembly, 9.10am NW24 Bake Off 3TC Tea afternoon Yr 5/6 Football League, Merchants Academy, 4.00-5.45pm
Tues 6th	Yr 2 Dance Festival, Ashton Park School, 10.00-11.30am Yr 6 Red Cross Awareness session
Thurs 8th	RRP Class Assembly, 9.10am 4AF Tea Afternoon
Fri 9th	End of Term 3

Term 4 starts on Monday 19th February

INSET days - Mon 23rd, Tues 24th July

Academy day - Fri 25th May