



New Christ Church Primary School

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This week at NCC...

We've enjoyed a much more settled week; your children continue to impress us all with their dedication and enthusiasm for learning—thank you for all you do to help and support them.

Today, I am sending home a short report about maths, letting you know everything we've been doing to raise standards by the end of Y6; I hope you find this of use. There is also a questionnaire for parents as we want to find ways in which we can help you to support your children even more—please return these by the end of next week; all ideas, suggestions and questions welcome!

Next week, Blue and Green classes will be going out on their termly trips. Orange and Yellow classes will be visited by our School Nurse who will be teaching them all about good dental hygiene.

With best wishes for a peaceful weekend,

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Congratulations to...

Stanley—Top 100 Mathlete this week
 Mrs Cashmore and Miss Cox who have passed their Level 3 NVQs in Learning Support!

Coming to school in the morning...

- 8.30 — main gate unlocked for children to arrive—parents MUST supervise their children
- 8.40 — Staff come outside; side gate unlocked; parents may now leave their child under our supervision
- 8.50 — The bell is rung and children line up
- 9.00 — registers close; any late arrivals MUST register at the office and order dinners
- 9.30 — any arrivals after 9.30 are counted as an absence

Please do not allow your child to come into the school building before the bell without Ms Soulsby's agreement.

Sickness Bug

We have had quite a few people coming down with a sickness bug this week, including staff. Please remember to keep children away from school if they are unwell. If your child vomits, you must keep them home for 48 hours after their last bout of vomiting. This is the only way we can prevent widescale illness.

CLUBS

We've had a wonderful response to Clubs this term, but are massively over-subscribed for football and art. Some children will miss out I'm afraid. We've tried to allocate places as fairly as we can, have talked to all children involved so they understand what is happening and have ensured that everyone has a place in one in the other clubs.

Calling all Football Fans!

We've been given the opportunity to get hold of tickets at a reduced price whilst making money for the school at the same time. The deal offered is for the Reading V Bristol at the Mad Stad on 13th March—£15 per adult, £5 per child—this is a real bargain for you and each ticket we sell makes the school some good money too. Mr Greasley will be sending home more details shortly so keep an eye out if you're interested.

Always telephone the school before 9.30am if your child is going to be absent.

If we don't hear from you, we will attempt to contact you via text or by telephoning you.

Book Orders

Leaflets have been sent home today. Place orders by Friday, 29th January please.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

We complete a School Census every term which gives various agencies essential information about our school. The January Census is used to calculate our school budget for the coming year. Most of our budget comes from the number of children on roll, but we also get additional funding based on the numbers of children who are entitled to Free School Meals. This is why it is so important that, if you are entitled, you apply for FSM each term and especially in January. Even if your child usually has a packed lunch, please, **PLEASE** continue to apply for FSM—this way we can ensure our school gets the full amount of money to which it is entitled, which of course benefits your children!

PE Kits

PE is a statutory part of the curriculum—all children must take part in PE unless there is a good reason.

Too many children do not have a proper PE kit in school. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school on Monday and is only taken home for washing on Friday.

They need: blue or black shorts, a white shirt, white socks and a pair of plimsolls or trainers.

SCHOOL SHOES MUST NOT BE WORN FOR PE!

If your child can not take part in PE you must discuss this with your class teacher, or write them a note. If you do not do this, we will insist they take part in the lesson.

Green and Blue Class

Remember permission slips for Tuesday's trips please!

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