Christ Church CE VA Primary School

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Deputy Headteacher: Rachael Clarke

Senior Teachers: Aaron Rogers & Emily Walker



FROM THE HEADTEACHER...

We have been enjoying the sunny weather and making the most of the outdoors whilst we can. The pile of jumpers scattered unclaimed across the playground is a stark contrast to the emptiness of school during lockdown, and though unnamed jumpers usually take up so much time in reuniting them with their owners, I am reminded to be grateful to have a school which remains fully open during these uncertain times. We have tightened up our preventative safety measures in light of the government's recent changes and continue to place your child's safety as our highest priority. Please continue to keep socially distancing at the school gates. Our PCSOs are on site and keen to ensure cars are parked safely, that children and parents are not forced into the road at drop off and pick up times, and that everyone remains vigilant and polite at all times.

ALWAYS BE KIND

Today your child will have watched The Big Anti-Bullying Assembly, sponsored by Nationwide, led by children's TV presenters, with messages from Gareth Southgate and Peter Andre. In school we are tackling bullying head on and if you would like to watch the assembly to facilitate conversations with your child, you will find the link on ClassDojo. We are delighted to welcome four of Year 6 pupils to our Pupils leadership team as Anti-bullying Ambassadors. Congratulations to Maja, Hope, Maks and Sean, who will be working closely with Mrs Bagnall to stop bullying in our school community.

WINNER WINNER FAVOURITE DINNER

Try our tasty school dinners **this Thursday** with the tempting menu of: meatballs, pasta twists, sweetcorn, and either a giant cookie or grapes for pudding. Vegetarian and dairy free options will be available, as always.

PERSONAL BESTS

Congratulations to the following children who all received a personal best this week!

- **Year 1** Leonardo for being a positive role model!
- **Year 2** Cody for super effort in phonics and writing.
- **Year 3** Shaan for following rules and making good choices!
- **Year 4** Daniil for a mature attitude and contributing regularly in class discussion.
- **Year 5** Amelie for great listening and contribution in class discussion.
- Year 6 Maks for 100% effort

READING PERCENTAGES

This week our new Reception class (FS2) have smashed the reading percentage scores with 93% of them reading 4 or more times at home with an adult!! What an amazing start to their school life! Our lovely reading trophy will be with their class for the next week to remind them what a tremendous effort they have made!



The other classes were as follows:

Year 1 – 83%; Year 2 – 38%; Year 3 – 63%; Year 4 – 89%; Year 5 – 50% and Year 6 – 66%.

Please remember that it helps your child enormously with **ALL** their subjects if they can practice their reading at home. It doesn't have to be a school book – it could be a magazine or paper but please hear them read at least 4 times or more if you can! Thank you!

READING BOOK RAFFLE

As you are aware all the children who read 4 or more times at home to an adult, have their name put into a raffle to win a brand new book. The lucky children in each class this week are:

Molly, Fabian, Maari, Antek, Logan, Daniel and Carys

Congratulations – we hope you love reading your new book!

BOOKSTART PACKS

Please help make sure every North Somerset baby receives their free Bookstart Baby Pack!

We have been asked to pass this on so no one misses out!!

This fantastic Bookstart Baby Pack helps families to read together every day and inspire babies to develop a love of reading of books. Most babies receive their Bookstart Baby Pack via their Health Visitors. Due to lock down some North Somerset babies may have missed out. All babies 0-12 months are entitled to a Free Bookstart Baby Pack.

How do I get a Bookstart Baby pack?

Email your Bookstart Co-ordinator kim.luka@n-somerset.gov.uk leaving your:

Postcode

Name

Contact details phone/email.

Name of the library from where you wish to collect your pack.

Please let anyone you know with a baby under the age of 12 months about this scheme.



YEAR 6 TRANSFER TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Just a reminder that on line applications are now OPEN for parents to apply for a Secondary School place for their child. The on line application closes on **SATURDAY, 31 OCTOBER AT 11.59 P.M.** Please ensure your application is in by the deadline.

RECEPTION 2021

If your child was born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017 they will be eligible to start school in September 2021. Applications for places are open from 12 September with a deadline of **12 JANUARY 2021 AT 11.59 A.M.** If you know of anyone with a child born between these dates please let them know. If you already have a child at this school **you must apply as normal.** You will not automatically be given a space. A Parent's Guide to starting school is available on North Somerset Council's website.

Have a wonderful week everyone.

With my very best wishes,

Mrs Bray