



# Christ Church CE Primary News

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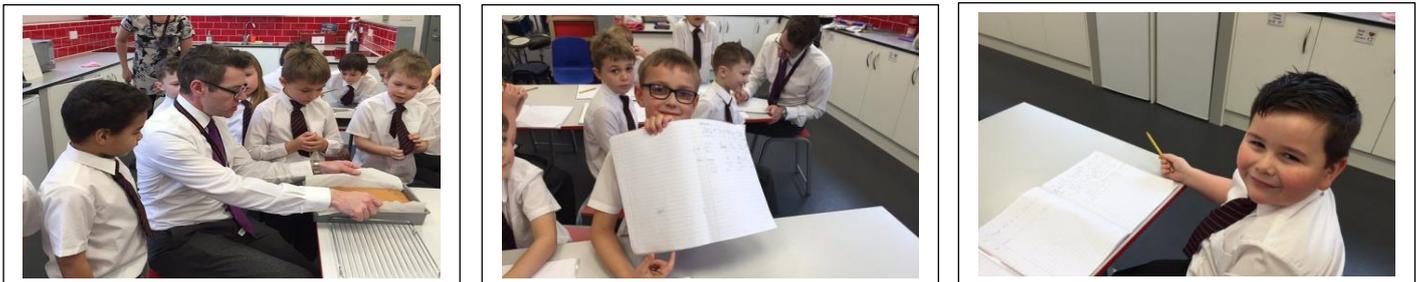
## What's been happening at Christ Church..?

Can you believe that it's already the end of January? The month has flown by and it is only two weeks until half term. The children have been busy both inside and outside the classroom, getting excited about lots of new learning. We've have some visitors coming into school, including Mr Wolf who visited Year 1. They found out that he's not so bad after all – he just wants to find a new home and who better than Year 1 to help him! Next week we have 14 children who are performing in 'Christ Church has talent' at the Lichfield Guildhall. We want to take this opportunity to wish all the children involved lots of luck – we know that you're all going to be brilliant.

### Year 1 has a visit from The Big Bad Wolf...the clue- finding and the meeting...



### Cooking leads to fantastic writing in Year 2!



### 'Christ Church has talent' auditions



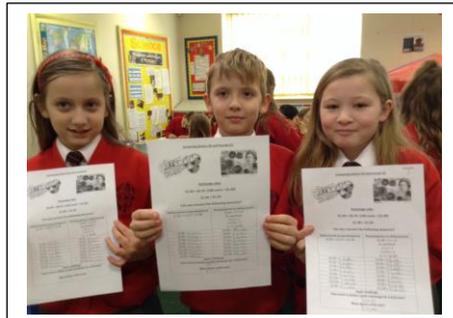
### Year 3 class debate and learning to play the glockenspiel



### Year 4 Faith Trail



### Year 5 Inspire workshops



### Over the next two weeks...

- On the week beginning Monday 1st February, Reception have balance bikeability in school.
- On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016, Year 6 are going on a trip to the Think Tank.
- On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016, it is 'Christ Church has talent' in the Guildhall at 7pm.
- On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February, it is safer internet day in school.

- **On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February, we have the author Harriet Goodwin visiting school.**
- On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February (pm), it is the girls' cross country tournament at Whittington Primary.
- **On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February, it is the Year 6 parents' evening 1.30pm – 6.30pm.**
- On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February, school is closed to the children because it is an INSET day.
- **On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February, the half term holidays begin.**
- On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, the children come back to school after the half term holidays.

### **INSET day**

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February, there is an INSET day in school for the teaching staff. This means that school will be closed on this day to all pupils.

### **Chocolate Bingo – a date for your diary!**

After a very successful and extremely popular chocolate bingo last year, School Association are hosting it again, on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

Like last year, there will be two sessions: 3.30 – 4.30pm and 5pm – 6pm, and it will take place in the school hall.

**More information about tickets sales will follow in the next few weeks.**

### **School Disco**

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016, it is school disco night!

#### **Key Stage 1 and Reception**

The children in KS1 will come to school with their party clothes in a bag and we will get them changed in their classroom at 3.15pm. We will then take them down to the hall for their disco which will start at 3.30pm. At 4.25pm the children will go back to their classrooms to pick up their belongings. Parents will then need to collect their children from their normal exit doors at 4.30pm.

#### **Key Stage 2**

The children will go home as normal at 3.15pm. They will then need to be back at school for 4.45pm. Their disco will end at 6pm. Please collect your child/children promptly at 6pm from the KS1 exit door, next to the hall.

A letter will be coming out shortly so that you can purchase tickets and sign a consent form. A drink and a biscuit will be provided for the children during both discos. The children will not be allowed their mobile phones in the disco and please can you ensure that they wear sensible footwear!

**PLEASE NOTE THAT WRAP AROUND CARE WILL BE BASED IN YEAR 5**

### **Attendance**

It is really important that your child attends school regularly and it is vital that we work together to ensure that your child arrives on time, every day.

The classes with the best attendance for the last two weeks are: 2RB, 4ST, Mrs Dawson's reception and 3SC

**If your child has an appointment to attend during school time e.g. doctor, dentist, we will now need proof (a letter or text confirming the appointment) when you collect your child. Otherwise, this will be put down as an unauthorised absence on your child's record.**

**If your child's attendance goes below 90%, we do have to report this to the Educational Welfare officer and you could receive a fine.**

### **'Christ Church has talent'**

Last week, auditions for 'Christ Church has talent' were held in school. It was amazing to see how many talented children we have across the school. Each year group (Yr1-6) picked two acts to go on to perform in the Guildhall next Wednesday. Staff also picked two acts from across the school.

The final 14 children and acts are as follows:

- Yr1: Beth Dobson and Ruby Clayton: Karate
- Yr1: Sophie Swallow and Christina Page: Ballet
- Yr2: Bethan Downie and Anya Sutton: Dance
- Yr2: Rhys Davis: Ball skills
- Yr3: Grace Camacho and Eve Camacho: Singing
- Yr3: George Tole and Elliot Downen: Piano
- Yr4: Sam Wilson: Dance
- Yr4: Freya Brown and Poppy Hulme: Singing
- Yr5: Freya Sutton: Dance
- Yr5: Alex Reid: Singing
- Yr5: Molly Calcutt and Evie Marshall: Street dancing
- Yr6: Alfie Scott: Drums
- Yr6: Natasha Gilbert and Robyn Tonks: Dance
- Yr6: Daniel Tole: Piano

The children will be performing at the Guildhall on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 at 7pm; we know that it is going to be a fantastic night.

If you would like to purchase tickets, they are available at the school office at a cost of £2.00. All money raised will go to the Lichfield Mayor's charities: MacMillan Cancer Support & Lichfield First responders. We would love to see you there.

**Good luck to all our performers and to some of our members of School Council who will be hosting the evening.**

### **Snacks**

The introduction of break time snacks has been incredibly successful; the children absolutely love being able to purchase them and it ensures that they have enough energy to last them until lunch time!

However, we would like to take this opportunity to remind you that if your child is late for school (after 8.55am), then they will be unable to purchase a snack that day. This doesn't include Year 5 and 6

### **Key dates for the diary –Spring term 2016**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>What's on</u></b>
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	After school clubs begin

Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2016	Year 5EM's Inspire workshop
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	Year 5EP's Inspire workshop
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2016	Talent contest at the Guildhall
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2016	Year 6 parents' evening
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2016	INSET day – school is closed for pupils. Break up for half term.
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2016	The children return to school after the half term break
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2016	The School Association School Disco
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2016	Non- Uniform day for chocolate bingo – bring a chocolate egg to come to school in non-uniform
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2016	Year 5 to the Cathedral for science day
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2016	Year 5 'Showcase' for parents/carers
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2016	School Association Chocolate bingo
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2016	Year 3 Easter worship in church
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2016	Year 4 Easter Production: 2.15pm and 6pm

I hope that you all have had a lovely first couple of weeks into the New Year. Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes, Julie Pilmore (Head Teacher)

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**Relationships - Resilience - Risk Taking - Reflective - Resourceful**