

The Christ Church NEWS DESK

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Dear Parents/Carers,
Wow! I can't quite believe another school year draws to a close and what a year it has been. As I finish my second year at Christ Church, and my first as Headteacher, I just wanted to take this opportunity to firstly thank my staff for their backing and support throughout every stage of this year; I truly couldn't have done it without them – they are a wonderful group of people and your children are extremely fortunate to be in the care of such dedicated people. A special thanks to Miss Perkins and Mrs Richter for their continued support. Thank you too to our brilliant Chair of Governors, Ron Chitty, who has always been there when I have needed him. I also wanted to say thank you to all of you too for your continued support especially at times which have seemed like an uphill struggle and a never-ending battle. It has truly been a pleasure to work with you this year and get to know you all so well – your kind messages really do mean the world to us and keep us going! Our children are amazing: I feel so proud to be the Headteacher of Christ Church – it's the beginning of new chapter!

Year 6 – I am truly sorry that the end of your time with us isn't at all how any of us could have imagined but we will be having that BBQ! You are an amazing group of children and I will miss you greatly. You were the first year group I really got to know when I first joined Christ Church and you should be so proud of your journey and what you have achieved. Dream. Believe. Achieve. You have very bright futures ahead of you.

Information for next year is of course on Dojo and ParentPay (my rather long letter). Please do refer to this if you need any further information.

We will see you again on Thursday 2nd September but, in the meantime, please may I take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful summer break!

Mr Flack

**'The things that make me
different are the things that
make me me.'**
'Piglet' A.A.Milne

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 2nd September
First Day of the School Year

Monday 6th September
New Year R Begin

Thursday 9th September
Kent Test

Friday 22nd October
Last Day of Term 1

Friday 22nd October
Last Day of Term 1

Monday 1st November
First Day of Term 2

Monday 8th November
Parents' Evening @ 3:30pm

Tuesday 9th November
Parents' Evening @ 5pm

Friday 19th November
Individual & Sibling Photos

A Prayer

Almighty God,
Send down upon your Church
The riches of your Spirit,
And kindle in all
Who minister the gospel
Your countless gifts of grace;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



Select us as your cause

Our aim is to carry out essential maintenance work on our school swimming pool to extend it's longevity and help our children and wider community become confident swimmers

We're part of the Local Community Fund

When members buy selected Co-op branded products and services, the Co-op will give local causes a helping hand. Go online coop.co.uk/membership



Thinking Question of the Week

What does truth look like?

Free School Meals

Although children in Year R, 1 and 2 receive Universal Free School Meals, the school receives additional funding to spend on the children if you sign up for Free School Meals and are eligible.

Your child may be able to get Free School Meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support Under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190).

You can apply here:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals/kent>

Please do speak to the Office if you would like support with this or more information

Term Dates 2021-2022

We will be following KCC Term Dates for 2021-22 which can be viewed [here](#)

Non-Pupil Days will be:

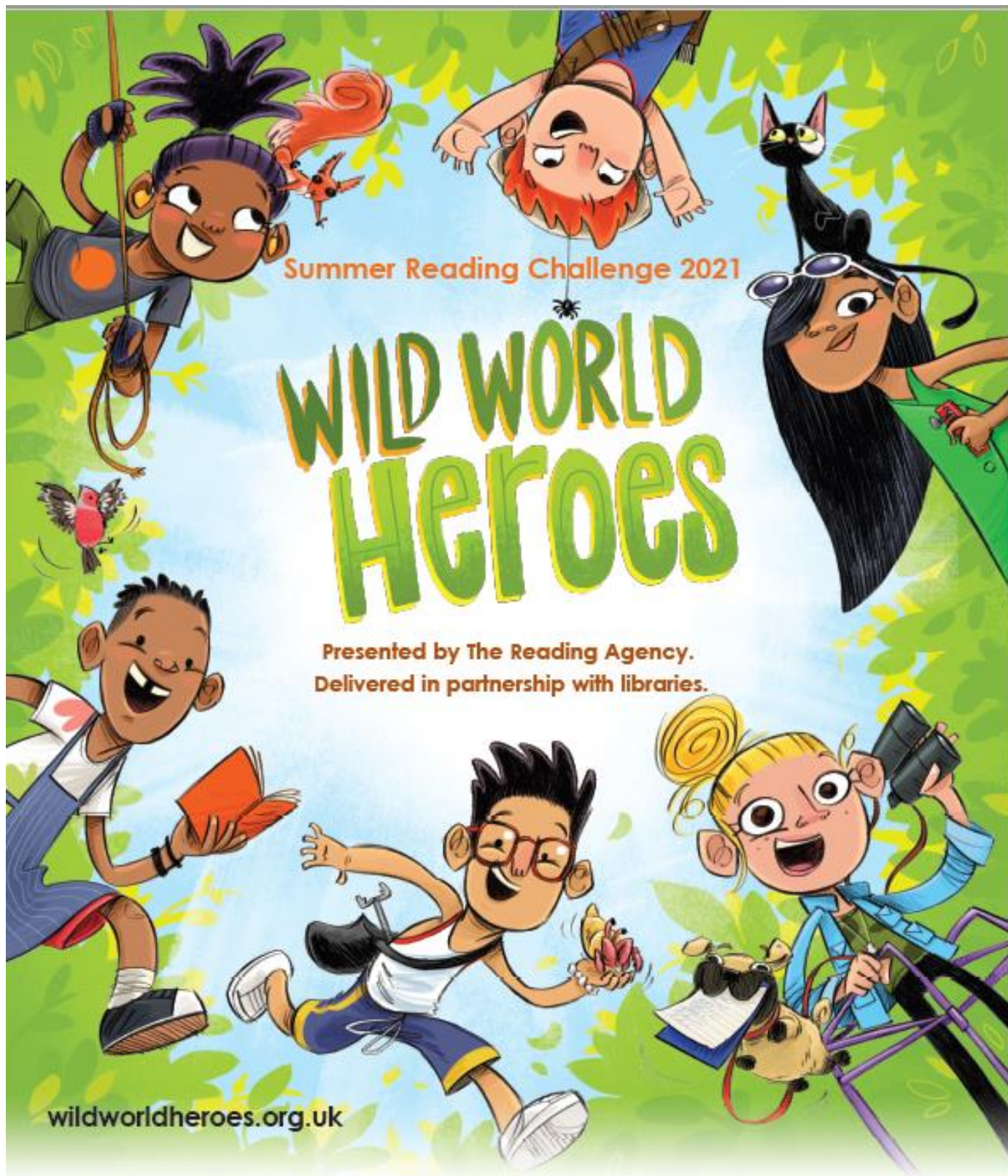
Wednesday 1st September 2021

Friday 11th February 2022

Monday 6th June 2022

Thursday 21st July 2022

Friday 22nd July 2022



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**THE
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**SUMMER
READING
CHALLENGE**

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Taking part in Wild World Heroes

The Summer Reading Challenge runs in 95% of UK public libraries and online at wildworldheroes.org.uk

Wild World Heroes launches on **Saturday 19 June** in Scotland and Northern Ireland, and on **Saturday 10 July** in England and Wales.*

Wild World Heroes in libraries

- Children sign up at their local library and receive a Wild World Heroes collector poster
- They set a personal reading goal for the summer and borrow books, eBooks and audiobooks of their choice
- Each time they finish a book and visit the library, children collect special stickers to add to their poster, plus other Wild World Heroes themed incentives
- They receive a certificate and/or medal for reaching their Challenge goal
- Library staff and volunteers support children in discovering new authors and exploring a wide range of different types of books
- Libraries offer a wide variety of events and activities for families to enjoy all summer long

Wild World Heroes online

- Children sign up for a website profile at wildworldheroes.org.uk
- They set a personal reading goal for the summer, and receive book recommendations and tips for accessing books for free at home
- Each time they finish a book, they add it to their profile and leave a review, unlocking digital badges and online reward items along the way
- They unlock a certificate for reaching their Challenge goal
- Children can play games, enter competitions, share recommendations and more on our free, safe, moderated platform
- With new Wild World Heroes content to discover each week, the fun will continue throughout the summer to keep families engaged

At the heart of the Summer Reading Challenge is children choosing and sharing books of their choice, in any format. Novels, fact books, picture books, graphic novels, joke books, eBooks and audiobooks all count towards completing the Challenge.



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*Regional variations may apply, so check with your library to find out when Wild World Heroes activity will start and end in your local area.