

The Christ Church NEWS DESK

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I do hope you have all had a lovely week. Well done to the Year 6 children who completed the Kent Test this week. You worked incredibly hard and we are very proud of you – good luck to those of you who are doing the Shepway and Dover Tests this weekend.

It has been a wonderful to welcome our new Year R children! They have had a really great start to their time with us at Christ Church and we are looking forward to watching you flourish. A huge well done and thank you to our amazing EYFS Team, led by Mrs Atkins, who have ensured a smooth transition.

Please could I remind all parents that punctuality is very important in school: **your child needs to be in class by 8:50am as that is when lessons begin.** Please could I urge you to arrive at school before 8:45am so this does not impact on your child's well-being and learning as the gates close before 8:50am. Thank you for your support with this.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Flack

**'Every hour of the light and
dark is a miracle'**

Walt Whitman

Dates for your Diary

Friday 17th September
EYFS Family ELMER Afternoon

Thursday 23rd September
Year 6 @ Folkestone Academy –
Olympics Day

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

Wednesday 15th December
Pantomime @ Leas Cliff Hall

A Prayer

Dear Lord,
As we navigate through this world, we thank You that You have promised to be with us. No matter what dangers or difficulties cross our path, You are always with us. Keep us, we pray, from all perils and problems that we may encounter.
Amen.

Year 6 Secondary School Places for 2022

Applications are now open to apply for a secondary school place for your child.

You have until Monday 1st November to do this. You can apply online:

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places#tab-1>

If your child does not pass the Kent Test, and you have chosen a Grammar School as their first choice, this choice will automatically be discounted and your first non-selective school will be treated as their first choice. You can of course wait for Kent Test results first though.

Please speak to Mr Flack or Miss Wyatt if you need any support or assistance.

Thinking Question of the Week

Should we get a second chance?

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