

# The Christ Church NEWS DESK

## Issue 1.3 Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another busy week at Christ Church. The children have been working really hard in class and it has been lovely to enjoy some nice weather outside too!

It was such a delight to begin our new Attendance Reward System this week. Each week, we will award an individual pupil at random for achieving 100% attendance and punctuality from the week before where they will win £5 in our '5 for 5' initiative; each week, we will also award the class who has the best attendance with an additional 10 minutes of playtime. Watch out for the end of this term too: each term, for every child who achieves 100% attendance, they will be placed into a raffle to win a family prize (not a car or anything like that, unfortunately, but a restaurant voucher or an experience, etc).

Owing to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee next year, and the additional bank holiday falling in half-term, schools have been asked to plan for an additional non-pupil day. We have therefore chosen **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2022** meaning, during the Summer Half-Term, you will get a 1 week and 2 day half-term (It might give you a chance to go away during that time!) Term Dates for 2022-2023 are now also confirmed too and are on the home page of the website.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Flack

**'You are a conductor of your own light'**

***Sir Arthur Conan Doyle***

## Dates for your Diary

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**  
Year 6 @ Folkestone Academy –  
Olympics Day

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**  
Last Day of Term 1

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November**  
First Day of Term 2

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November**  
Parents' Evening @ 3:30pm

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November**  
Parents' Evening @ 5pm

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November**  
Individual & Sibling Photos

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**  
Pantomime @ Leas Cliff Hall

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**  
Last Day of Term 2 - 1:30pm Finish

### **A Prayer**

Merciful God,  
Your son came to save us  
And bore our sins on the cross:  
May we trust in your mercy  
And know your love,  
Rejoicing in the righteousness  
That is ours  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord

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 1<sup>st</sup> 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**

Where do we find strength?

### **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 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022