The Christ Church NEWS DESK

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Dear Families,

There have been lots of exciting things happening this week! Year 1 visited Walmer Castle, Year R and 1 went to the Gulbenkian, Year 2 enjoyed the National Gallery in London, Year 5 have been enjoying many events at the local secondary schools and Year 6 have been to London to see the Lion King. It's such a pleasure to offer the children opportunities which extend beyond the curriculum — we have big ideas for next year too for in and out of school. My thanks to the Reconnect programme who I managed to obtain a grant from to help subsidise the cost of the trips. Thank you to all the staff too who spend so much time organising these to the finest detail. There is a lot that goes on backstage in a school which you never really see.

Mrs Clampitt is a volunteer for the Ukraine Appeal. At the moment, they are collecting backpacks for children which are then filled with an assortment of things for different age groups. This scheme is called **Bags of Love**. If you have any unwanted backpacks at home, we would be more than grateful if you would be able to donate them to us so we can pass them on.

Sports Days are in full swing! So far so good with the weather (let's hope I haven't jinxed it!) Please always arrive at the Paddock Gate for Sports Day events and staff member will let you in.

Our Open Afternoon is from 2:30pm on Monday 11th July. We will only open the Key Stage 1 and 2 gates (not the paddock). Why not pop in, collect your child's report and have the chance to see their books and work from this year?

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Flack

'Shoot for the moon because, even if you miss, you'll land amongst the stars.'

Les Brown

Dates for your Diary

Monday 4th July-Wednesday 6th July Year 6 @ Lower Grange Farm

> Monday 4th July Year 2 Sports Day @ 1:30pm

Tuesday 5th July

Year 4 @ Leeds Castle Year 1 Sports Day @ 1:30pm

Thursday 7th JulyYear 5 Sports Day @ 1:30pm

Monday 11th July From 2:30pm – Open Afternoon

Tuesday 12th July

MAF Fun Day − TAG Day ⓒ (50p Recommended Donation) Year 3 & 5 @ The Hobbit Performance (Free)

Wednesday 13th July

Year 3 @ Roman Museum Dover
Year 4 & 6 @ The Hobbit Performance (Free)

Thursday 14th July Year 6 Production @ 6pm

A Prayer

Holy God,
Faithful and unchanging:
Enlarge our minds
With the knowledge
Of your truth,
And draw us more deeply
Into the mystery of your love,
That we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
One God, now and forever.

Amen



Select us as your cause

Our aim is to provide all children at Christ Church CEP Academy with art resources and materials that will enable them to take part in creative activities.

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 cop.co.uk/membership



Thinking Question of the Week

How can we celebrate differences in our communities?

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-schoolmeals/kent

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

Term Dates 2022-2023

Term dates for 2022-2023 are on the Home Page of the website. Please click here to view them.

Children return on Monday 5th September 2022 (Year 1-Year 6).







We're using Arbor's free Parent Portal and Arbor App

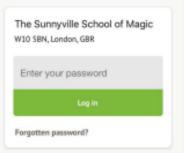
We've chosen Arbor to help us manage our school.

Arbor is a simple, smart and cloud-based MIS (Management Information System), which helps us work faster, smarter and more collaboratively as a school. The Arbor App and Parent Portal mean we can keep you informed about your child's life at school in a much more accessible way. Log into Arbor to see and update your child's information, get live updates and make payments or bookings on the go!

The Parent Portal works on Google Chrome (computer or laptop) and you can download the Arbor App from the App Store or Google Play Store on your phone (Android 5.0; iOS 10.0 and upwards).

How to get started

- 1. Wait for your welcome email from us telling you Arbor is ready you won't be able to log in before
- 2. Click the link in your welcome email to set up your password
- 3. Go to the App or Google Play Store on your phone and search 'Arbor'
- 4. Click 'Install' on Android or 'Get' on iPhone then open the App
- 5. Enter your email, select the school, then enter your password
- 6. Accept the Terms & Conditions and enter your child's birthday



Need help using Arbor?

Contact the school office if you have questions about Arbor, the App or Parent Portal. Tell us the type and model of your phone, e.g. an iPhone SE, and include screenshots or screen recordings.

To safeguard student data in line with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), Arbor only works directly with schools.

Some tips to try:

- Ensure your username is the email address you use for Arbor.
 Ask us to check the email address linked to your account.
- 2. Reset your password from the login page, or ask us to do this.
- If the login email was sent to you more than 96 hours ago, the password link will have expired. Ask us to send it again.
- Ask the school office to check that your email address has not been used twice - e.g. on another guardian or child's profile.
- 5. Enter the birthday of one of your children to log in.
- Only relatives who are **Primary Guardians** of a child can access the Arbor App. Ask us to check you can access Arbor.

