

*'Grow and Learn together with God by our side'*

### Polyphone Workshops

Thank you to the **Parent Friends Association (PFA)** for funding such a wonderful workshop.  
The children thoroughly enjoyed the sessions!

*This is amazing!*



*I feel like we are part of a band!*



### COVID 19 Update

You can stop self-isolating with COVID-19 at the start of day 6 if you receive 2 negative results with a lateral flow device (LFD) on days 5 and 6 and do not have a temperature. Tests must be at least 24 hours apart. If either test is positive, you must continue to self-isolate and wait 24 hours before testing again.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10-day period of self-isolation.

We continue to implement additional hygiene and ventilation measures in school and thank you for your continued support.

## Spring Term Parents Evening

We are delighted to confirm the Spring Term Parents Evening will take place in school on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 3:30pm-6:00pm** and **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February 4:00-6:30pm** for children in: **Nursery, RAF, RJP, 1SM, 2DO and 2VB.**

**1CM** appointments will take place in school on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February** between **1:00pm & 5:30pm.**

A link to a Microsoft Form will be sent out to the parents of children in Nursery, RAF, RJP, 1SM, 2DO and 2VB via text message on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January. Please complete the form indicating your preferences by 4:00pm on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February. Your appointment will be confirmed via MarvellousMe by 4:00pm on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

Parents/Carers of children in 1CM will receive a separate link to indicate their preferences.

Books for **all classes** will be sent home on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February** for parents to view prior to their appointment. Please ensure all books are returned to school on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February to allow planned activities to be completed.

## Thought of the Week



**Diary Dates** – *new additions/ amendments are in red to make them easy to identify and add to your diary.*

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> /Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January** – PFA Bags 2 School

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February** – NSPCC Number Day. **Children are invited to come to school dressed in digits.** Please bring a voluntary donation of £1 cash on the day to raise money for the NSPCC

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February** – 1CM Parents' Evening 1:00pm-5:30pm

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February** – Books to be sent home for parents to view

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February** – Nursery, RAF, RJP, 1SM, 2DO & 2VB Parents' Evening 3:30pm-6:00pm

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February** - Nursery, RAF, RJP, 1SM, 2DO & 2VB Parents' Evening 4:00pm-6:30pm

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February** – Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) Skipping Skills Sessions led by S2000

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**Half Term**

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February** – Children return to school/Nursery

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** – World Book Day, further information to follow in due course

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March** – Red Nose Day, more information to follow.

### **Polite Reminder**

Staff have noticed a number of children have recently starting bring juice/pop to school in their water bottles. As a school, we ask that children only have **water** in their water bottles.

Thank you for your co-operation.

### **Comics/Magazines**

Do you have any unwanted children's comics or magazines? If so, we would love to have these in school to use in our book corners.

Please send any comics/magazines into school with your child to pass onto their class teacher.

Thank you!

### **Thank you from the church and the Children's Society**

Thank you for your contributions. The Christingle candles raised a total of **£704.58** across the Federation. The church and the children's society send their thanks for your generous donations and support.



### **New White Rose Maths App: 1-Minute Maths**

Designed in-house for use both in class and at home, our new 1-Minute Maths app helps children build greater number confidence and fluency. It's all about targeted practice in engaging, one-minute chunks!

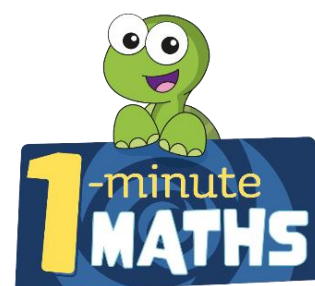
**What's the app about?** This first version of the app is aimed at Key Stage 1 pupils (ie, age 5-6 years). Individual one-minute tasks focus on adding and subtracting – and on 'Subitising', the skill of instantly recognising the number of items in a group without counting. Multiplication and division will be added soon!

**How do we use it?** Your child can choose any topic they want to try. They then answer a unique series of questions (so it's a different set of questions every time). If they're struggling with a question, a 'Hint' button will give a helpful clue by showing the question in a different but familiar way.

When the one minute's up, they'll see a feedback screen telling them how they've done.

#### **Check out these 7 top reasons for using 1-Minute Maths!**

1. Excellent practice – and no distractions.
2. A clear, intuitive process that children pick up straight away.
3. No login or internet access needed. Just download and play.
4. Enjoyable and motivating... How many can they get correct in one minute?
5. Helpful hints match those used in class.
6. Brilliant for building number fluency and confidence.
7. It's **FREE!**



## Parent Friends Association (PFA) Bags 2 School

It's Bag 2 School time again.

Bag 2 School is a scheme whereby schools can fundraise through the collection of textiles including:

- Adults and children's clothing
- Shoes, belts and handbags
- Soft toys
- (no bedding, pillows, towels or curtains)

All items collected are sorted and sold by Bag 2 School for re-use, so please, no dirty clothes, off cuts, single shoes, etc. If you would like to know more about the scheme visit [www.bag2school.com](http://www.bag2school.com).

For every kilo we collect we receive 40p. This is an ideal way to raise money without asking for a financial contribution from parents and the perfect opportunity to clear out all those unwanted clothes from your wardrobe!

PFA members will be available at school at the following times to take collection of your bags:

- **Thursday 27th January 2.50 pm -3.15 pm**
- **Friday 28th January 8.45 am – 9.00 am**

Due to space restrictions we are not able to accept your bags at any other time.

To try and help reduce plastic manufacturing we are not providing bags, we ask that you can fill a bin liner or bag at home.

Thanks for your support.

PFA Committee; [ccfederationpfa@gmail.com](mailto:ccfederationpfa@gmail.com)

## The Parent Friends Association (PFA)

Who can join the PFA?

You can! If you have a child attending Christ Church (Church of England) Infant School and Nursery or Christ Church (Church of England) Junior School.

What does the PFA do?

The PFA raises money to enrich our children's academic schooling by providing equipment and activities that are not available through funding from the Local Education Authority's budget. The PFA raise money to buy the 'little extras' that help to make our children's time at school even more fun.

How do we raise funds?

The PFA have raised funds in a variety of ways over the past years some examples are:

- Summer Garden Party
- Book Fair
- Bags 2 school
- Christmas Cards
- Cake Sales
- Quiz night for parents and carers

How do we use the funds raised?

The PFA have raised many thousands of pounds over the years. This money has been spent in a variety of ways to benefit all the children at the school and nursery, including: iPads for use in school, theatre visits, samba and polyphone workshops, leavers Bibles, funding towards new equipment for the playground, playground markings and Christmas presents for all children.

For more information, please contact the PFA Committee: [ccfederationpfa@gmail.com](mailto:ccfederationpfa@gmail.com)