

## Christ Church Cof E Junior School Newsletter 6

Friday 22nd November 2024



#### This half term our Collective Worship theme is:

Love

Love your neighbour as yourself
Luke 10:27



#### School Dinners- Next week back will be week 3

School dinners are £2.65 per day which is payable on School Gateway. If your child would like a school dinner, they can order one daily. All they need to do is inform their class teacher during the dinner register.

All meals are freshly prepared on site and there is always the choice of jacket potatoes or sandwiches if your child does not like the main menu option that day.

#### **Opportunities for the Choir**

The choir have been invited to take part in two concerts at St Regis High School.

#### **Community Engagement Concert**

The first concert will be held on 3rd December within the school day. This concern is a community concert for local care homes and community groups. The concert will be held in the school day.

Our children have a singing slot at 1.30pm. The children will eat their lunch before they go and return to school before the end of the day. Parents are not invited to attend this concert



#### **Christmas Carol Concert**

St Regis will be holding their annual concert on **10th December**. The timings for the concert on 10th December has not yet been confirmed. As soon as I know the time, I will communicate this with you. **We do know the concert will be after school and parents are invited to attend**. The choir master at St Regis has invited the Christ Church choir to sing alongside the choir at St Regis. In preparation for this, the choir will take part in a workshop on **28th November** where they will learn a song to perform. The workshop on **28th** November will be in the school day between **11**.00-**12**.30pm. Due to the timing of this workshop, children will need a packed lunch on this day. If your child is entitled to free school meals, they will be able to order a packed lunch from school. This can be ordered on the day.

#### **Carol Concert in Church**

The Junior School Choir have been invited to perform again at the carol service to be held at Christ Church, church, on 15th December 2024 at 4PM. The service should last about 1 hour and the choir will perform a number of times. This will be a lovely occasion for all and you are very welcome to attend. Please give consent for your child to attend below. Children should wear full school uniform and arrive by 3.45PM. Your support of this event will be very much appreciated. https://forms.office.com/e/v2JcDpT6Hc

#### **Carols at James Beattie House**

During the last choir session of the term (Wednesday 18th December) Mr Gray will be taking the choir to James Beattie House to sing carols to the residents. Permission is not required for this as it is in the local area.

#### **Grammar School Author Visit**

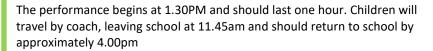


Wolverhampton Grammar School have kindly invited us to an author event on Monday 25th November. Although this was a short notice invite, we are keen to make this happen for the children as the events are exciting and inspiring. When attending author events, we can only take 14 children per event. The opportunities will be given to different children each time to try and provide as many children as possible with this experience. This event on Monday is for

14 year 3 children. Children who are attending will travel by bus with two members of staff. If your child is invited to attend, you will receive a paper letter from Miss Cox.

#### Year 4 Symphony Hall Trip

Year 4 will be going on a school trip to see a schools' concert at Symphony Hall on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025. This is a wonderful opportunity for them to visit one of the country's premier concert spaces and see a full orchestra perform.





As we are leaving school early, a packed lunch will be required, so that your child can eat in school before going. If your child is entitled to free school meals, this can be ordered from our kitchen. In order for a packed lunch to be provided by school, orders must be placed via the Microsoft form by Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February. <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/bSpANhha72">https://forms.office.com/e/bSpANhha72</a>

Children will need to wear full school uniform please.

The product is now open on School Gateway where payment can be made. The cost of the trip is £14.60 per pupil. As I am sure you appreciate, without sufficient parental contributions, this trip cannot go ahead and would need to be cancelled.

Permission can be given when paying for the trip via School Gateway. If your child is entitled to free school meals, permission should be granted via the Microsoft Form.

We very much appreciate your support as we provide the children with exciting learning opportunities.



#### **Glockenspiel Group Performance**

Mr Gray's Glokenspiel club are invited to take part in short performance at Life Spring Church on Wednesday 11th December. The children will travel by bus with Mrs Morris and Mrs Gray. The children will also be offered a slice of cake. A Microsoft Form with information and permission can be accessed on the link below:

https://forms.office.com/e/2nwacLwEeE

#### Year 4 Residential-Kingswood

We are very pleased to inform you that we are able to offer a **one night** residential to **Kingswood Outdoor Education Centre** in Staffordshire, for our Year 4 children. The trip is open to the whole year group and will take place on **Thursday 8th** to **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025.** 



During the 2 days we will take part in a wide range of activities, which are organised and supervised by qualified instructors. Kingswood will provide breakfast, a mixture of hot and cold lunches and dinner. However, the children will need a packed lunch for the day of arrival.

During the trip we will be encouraging independent skills and good team work by combining an action-packed programme of daytime activities with an array of evening entertainment. Your child can get outdoors and stay active whilst making memories with their friends!

The total cost of the trip will be £148.50. A deposit of £50 will be required to secure your child's place and this is to be paid via School Gateway no later than  $31^{st}$  January. Any additional payments can be paid in full or two instalments of £49.25 with the first payment being made on  $28^{th}$  February and the final instalment on  $28^{th}$  March

I am sure that you will appreciate that if the vast majority of parents do not agree to make the full payment the visit will be unviable and will therefore be cancelled.

It is our hope that the visit will be affordable to the vast majority of families as we see this as a valuable learning opportunity.

If you wish for your child to attend the Year 4 residential, please complete form by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November to secure your child's place. Please do not hesitate to contact a member of the year 4 team if you have any questions regarding the trip and we will be happy to help.

#### https://forms.office.com/e/0MsPzeHrCR

A parent's information meeting will be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 3:15pm to share more details about the trip.

In the meantime, I thought I would provide you with some FAQs in order to help families discuss the trip with the children and decide if you would like your child to attend.

#### Kingswood FAQs

#### What time will the children go to bed?

The children will have an evening campfire. After this activity (approx. 8.30pm) the children will go to the dormitories, have a wash and brush their teeth before having 30 minutes quiet down time before lights out.

#### Do teachers sleep in the rooms?

No. The teachers will be in rooms nearby. Teachers' rooms are clearly labelled with our names and the children know where to find us.

#### What happens if my child is upset at bedtime?

We will look after any children who are upset with care and nurture. If your child is too upset and does not settle, we will give you a call. Sometimes children just want some reassurance over the phone. On some occasions, children need to be collected. If they are collected, they can come back for breakfast the next day.

#### Do I get a reduced cost of my child does not stay the night?

Unfortunately, the cost will remain the same as no reduction in cost is offered from Kingswood.

#### My child is a fussy eater. I am worried they will be hungry. What can I do?

It is unusual that there is nothing at all they children won't eat from the options provided. However, to avoid a potential issue, in extreme circumstances, families have provided a bag of 'emergency food' we can keep to one side and use if required. We will never let a child go hungry.

#### Will my child choose who they are in a dormitory with?

The children will be consulted and will be placed with some friends of their choice. We do not tell the children who they will be with until we arrive as on occasions last minute changes have needed to be made.

#### How much time will the children spend In the dorms?

Very little. The are very busy throughout both days.

#### Can my child take their phone or tablet?

No. This is not possible due to safeguarding. School will post regular updates on Dojo.

#### My child needs medication—can this be given?

This is no problem at all. We will be sending out paperwork for you to complete and medication will be signed in on the day.

#### What activities will my child be taking part in?

The programme of activities is not yet finalised. However, last year the children have various team building activities such as shelter building and buggy building. The children also took part in a climbing activity on a climbing wall. The children are encouraged to take part in everything and push themselves but they are never forced to do something they are not comfortable doing.

#### My child has occasional bed wetting incidents. Are the still able to come?

Absolutely. If your child has any night time issues such as bed wetting or sleep walking, please give Mrs Nash a call. We will discuss how we can support your child and ensure they have a fabulous time.

#### **Christmas Fair**

Our Christmas fair will be on Friday 6th December from 3.30pm-5.30pm. The PFA have the following requests:



#### Raffle

Any raffle prize donations would be appreciated. For example, do you have a business such as a beauty salon, café or restaurant and would kindly consider donating a gift voucher?

#### **Bottle Tombola**

The children will be coming to school in their own clothes on Friday 6th December. We are asking for donations of bottles which will then help to raise money on the very popular bottle tombola.



#### **Milk Bottle Tops**

Please send into school clean milk bottle tops. We will be using these for a game.

#### **Paper Bags**

In the coming days the children will be bringing home an empty paper bag. Please return the bag full of sweets, small toys, marbles, hair bobbles etc.

#### Year 5 Christingle at St Michael's Church

On Wednesday 4th September Year 5 will be joining the students from St Regis for a Christingle service at St Michael's church. As this is a local area visit, permission is not required.



#### **Christmas Jumper Day**

Thursday 12th December will be Christmas Jumper day for Save the Children. Children can wear their own clothes on the bottom half too! Please consider the footwear your child wears, especially if Thursday is a PE day.



#### **Year 3 Creative Church**

On Thursday 5th December year 3 will have their Creative Church session in school. The theme will be Christmas. During this sessions parents will work alongside their children to create a piece of artwork which will be displayed in church over the festive period. The session will start at 2.00pm and will last approximately 45 minutes. Children will be able to leave at the end of the session. Siblings will also be permitted to go early. Please complete the Form below if you intend to come so that adequate resources can be prepared.

https://forms.office.com/e/8WR97QbNLc

#### **Christmas Dinner**

We will be having Christmas dinner in school on Thursday 12th December which is also Christmas Jumper Day. If your child would like to stay for a Christmas dinner, please complete the form by Friday 29th November in order for us to ensure adequate food is ordered and prepared. Please complete the form even if your child is entitled to free school meals.

https://forms.office.com/e/0iu1bRiZgM



#### **Food Bank Information**

As we approach the expensive Christmas period, we would like to share the following information on food banks in our area. There are additional food banks that school can refer families to. If you would like any support accessing a food bank, please do not hesitate to contact us.

#### **Harvest Community Food Bank**

New Testament Church of God,

New Trust Centre 1

Wolverhampton Road (on the corner of Woden Road & Wolverhampton Road)

**Heath Town** 

Wolverhampton

WV10 0PD

Telephone: 01902 453190

Email: info@ntcgharvesttemple.org.uk Website: www.ntcgharvesttemple.org.uk Open Fridays between 3.30 pm and 4.30 pm. Referral is not necessary but proof of address is required.

#### **Elias Mattu Foundation (EMF)**

8 Owen Road Pennfields

Wolverhampton

WV3 0HP

8 Owen Rd

Telephone:

Asha Mattu - 07904 310530

Manj Mattu - 07427 173171

Email for referrals: enquiries@eliasmattufoundation.com Referrals are taken by professionals and self-referral depending on circumstances. Delivery in Wolverhampton City on Saturday's between 12.00 - 6.00pm. The following postcodes are on collection only WV3 and WV10 7 between 4.30pm - 6.00pm on Saturday's.

#### **Ashmore Park Pantry**

St Alban's Church

Griffiths Drive Ashmore Park

WV11 2LJ

Telephone: 01902 732317 (

c/o St Alban's Church) Email: revtomfish@gmail.com Facebook: @StAlbansAP Open Wednesday 12-2pm, Friday 4-6pm, Sunday 12.45-2.30 pm. Food bank focused on Ashmore Park and WV11 postcode area. Anyone short of food can go in person to collect what they need or a collection can be made on behalf of someone else in need. Local deliveries by arrangement.



#### Dates for your Diary (new information in bold)

In order to make it easy for parents to find the information needed. Diary dates will be on the newsletter every week. Any new additions/amendments are in bold to make them easy to identify and add to your diary.

Thursday 28th November—Choir workshop at St Regis 11.00-12.30pm. Children will need a packed lunch to eat upon their return. Children who are entitled to free school meals will be able to order a packed lunch from school on the day.

Friday 29th November- Year 3 PE workshop at St Regis

Tuesday 3rd December - Year 6 trip to London

Tuesday 3rd December—Choir community concert at St Regis 1.30pm

Wednesday 4th December – Year 5 to Christingles service at St Michaels church – Led by St Regis – No permission required local area visit.

Thursday 5th December – Year 3 Creative Church in the Junior hall. Parents invited 2.00pm start approx. 45 minutes. Children and siblings can go home at the end of the workshop. <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/8WR97QbNLc">https://forms.office.com/e/8WR97QbNLc</a>

Friday 6th December – Year 4 PE workshop at St Regis – morning only. Own clothes day for the fair. Please ensure the clothes your child comes in are appropriate for the PE workshop.

Friday 6th December Christmas Fayre 3.30pm till 5.30pm

Friday 6th December-Own clothes-bring a bottle for the fair

Tuesday 10th December- Choir to sing at St Regis Concert after school. Time TBC. Parents invited to attend.

Wednesday 11th December - Glockenspiel group to visit Life Spring church for a short performance.

Thursday 12th December—Christmas jumper day (children can wear their own clothes on the bottom half too!)

Thursday 12th December - Christmas Dinner in school - Please complete the form if your child plans to stay:

https://forms.office.com/e/0iu1bRiZgM

Sunday 15th December - CHOIR- Carol Concert in Church <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/v2JcDpT6Hc">https://forms.office.com/e/v2JcDpT6Hc</a>

Tuesday 17th December – Church service – Parents invited to attend – 9.30am in church.

Wednesday 18th December- Choir to sing at James Beattie House during choir club time.

Thursday 19th December – Golden Awards Assembly – Your child's teacher will contact you if your child will be receiving an award.

Thursday 19th December – Break up for Christmas

Friday 20th December - School closed INSET DAY

Monday 6th January – School reopens.

Monday 13th January – Year 6 Social Media workshop with PC Brittle

Tuesday 14th January – Year 5 Social Media workshop with PC Brittle

Monday 10th February—Year 4 Symphony Hall Trip- https://forms.office.com/e/bSpANhha72

Tuesday 8th April – Year 4 Residential Parents' Meeting

Thursday 8th May- Friday 9th May- Year 4 Residential to Kingswood

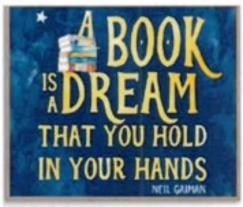
Tuesday 17th June-Year 6 Residential Parents' Meeting

Wednesday 9th- Friday 11th July- Year 6 residential to Laches Wood.









# LIBRARY IS OPEN AFTER SCHOOL THURSDAYS UNTIL 4PM MRS WALKER WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

FIRST VISIT

COLLECT YOUR BOOKMARK AND YOUR FIRST STICKER
GET A STICKER EVERY VISIT
EVERY 7 STICKERS YOU RECEIVE YOU GET A PRIZE.







# Week One Menu



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Fish Fingers Served with Chips Beans, Peas & Tomato Ketchup	Chicken Curry Served with rice & warm Baguette Sweetcorn & Broccoli	Roast Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots & Gravy	Chicken Sausages Served with Mash, Sweetcorn, Cauliflower & Gravy	Beef Mince Pasta Served with Sweetcorn & Broccoli
VEGETARIAN	Vegetable Curry Served with Rice Or Chips Carrots & Peas	Macaroni Cheese Served Warm Baguette Sweetcorn & Broccoli	Roast Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots & Gravy	Vegetarian Sausage Served with Sweetcorn, Cauliflower & Gravy	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Served with Diced Potato, Carrots & Peas
DELI BAR	Jacket Potato With a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato With a selection of Fillings Pasta with Tomato & Basil sauce	Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato With a selection of Fillings Pasta with Tomato & Basil sauce	Jacket Potato With a selection of fillings
SANDWICH	Sandwich with your choice of filling Ham / Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise/Egg mayo	Baguette with your choice of filling Ham / Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise/Egg Mayo	Sandwich with your choice of filling Ham / Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise/Egg Mayo	Baguette with your choice of filling Ham / Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise/Egg Mayo	Sandwich with your choice of filling Ham / Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise/Egg Mayo
DECCEPTO	Chocolate Cookie With Apple Slices	Iced Sponge & Custard	Vanilla Ice-Cream with Fresh Fruit	Shortbread & Apple Slices	Fruity Friday

## AVAILABLE DAILY:

Wholemeal Bread, Fresh Salad Bar, Water, Seasonal Fresh Vegetables, Seasonal Fresh Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt and Fruit Jelly.





Week beginning:

06/01/24

14/10/24

11/11/24

2/12/24

## Week Two Menu



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Fish Fingers Served with Chips Beans, Peas and Tomato Ketchup	Beef Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes Green Beans, Carrots & Gravy	Beef Lasagne Served with Sweetcorn & Cauliflower	BBQ Chicken served with Rice Carrots & Peas
VEGETARIAN	BBQ Mixed Vegetable Wrap Served with Rice Chips Peas & Carrots	Vegetable Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges Peas & Cabbage	Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes Green Bean, Cauliflower & Gravy	Cheese & bean Pasty served with wedges and sweetcorn	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Served with Diced Potato, Carrots & Peas
DELI BAR	Jacket Potatoes With a selection of fillings Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce	Jacket Potatoes With a selection of fillings	Jacket Potatoes With a selection of fillings Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce	Jacket Potatoes With a selection of fillings	Jacket Potatoes With a selection of fillings Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce
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	Flapjack & Orange Slices	Jam Sponge & Custard	Shortbread with Apple slices	Apple Crumble & Custard	Fruity Friday

## VAILABLE DAILY:

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Week beginning:

21/10/24

18/11/24

9/12/24

# Week Three Menu



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Fish Fingers Served with Chips Beans, Peas & Tomato Ketchup	Chicken & Vegetable Noodles Served with Sweetcorn	Roast Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots & Gravy	Chicken hot dog in a Bun Cauliflower & Sweetcorn	Beef mince Pasta in a Tomato & Basil Sauce Served with Carrots & Peas
VEGETARIAN	Vegetarian Lasagne served with peas & Sweetcorn	Mixed bean Vegetable Noodles served with Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Roast Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots & Gravy	Vegetable Nuggets served with potato wedges & Sweetcorn	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Served with Diced Potato, Carrots & Peas
DELI BAR	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce
	Sandwich with your choice of filling / Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise /Egg mayo	Baguette with your choice of filling / Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise /Egg Mayo	Sandwich with your choice of filling / Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise/Egg Mayo	Baguette with your choice of filling / Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise /Egg Mayo	Sandwich with your choice of filling Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise /Egg Mayo
	Chocolate Sponge & Custard	Oaty Cinnamon Cookie	Banana Muffin	Chocolate Orange Shortbread & Apple slices	Fruity Friday

## AVAILABLE DAILY:

Wholemeal Bread, Fresh Salad Bar, Water,

Seasonal Fresh Vegetables, Seasonal Fresh Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt and Fruit Jelly.





Week beginning:

16/12/14

7/10/24

4/11/24

25/11/24