

Christ Church Cof E Junior School Newsletter 8

Friday 6th December 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 2

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.

Year 4 Residential to Kingswood

As you are aware, we have a residential trip to Kingswood for Year 4 in May. We now have only have 37 children signed up to this. Thank you to those of you who have reserved a place this week. The deposit for the trip is not due until the end of January to allow families get Christmas out of the way.



However, we need to establish numbers as soon as possible in order for us to amend our booking. The product is open on Gateway but the payment is not yet due. If you would like your child to attend the trip, please complete the form below ASAP. Many thanks for your cooperation. https://forms.office.com/e/OMsPzeHrCR

Opportunities for the Choir

Christmas Carol Concert

St Regis will be holding their annual concert on ${\bf Tuesday\ 10th\ December}.$



The choir will be performing at St Regis' 'Big Sing' on Tuesday 10th December. Parents are welcome to attend. The children will be at St Regis during the afternoon for a rehearsal but will return to school for the end of the school day and be dismissed to you in the normal way. Families are welcome to arrive at St Regis from 4.15pm. The school will be providing refreshments including hot food. The 'Big Sing', which our choir will be part of, will take place at 5.00pm. Please ensure you arrive with your child by 4.45pm at the latest. The concert is due to finish by approximately 6.15pm. The children will need to be in school uniform please.

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.

Beacon Centre Event

This year we will be supporting the Santa Run at West Park again. The event takes place on <u>Sunday 8th December.</u> As Christ Church have supported the Beacon Centre for the last 3 years, our families are eligible to a discounted rate to enter the family fun run. Families are welcome to walk, jog or scoot the 5K course. All adults are provided with a Santa suit and all children are provided with a hat. The event really gives you a Christmassy feeling ready for December! It would be great to see you there. https://beaconvision.org/santa-run-2/



Children in Need

The total raised for Children in Need was £197.07. Thank you for all your kind donations.



Choir children only:



Dear Parent/Carer

The Big Sing at St Regis CE Academy

We are delighted to invite you to the Big Sing at St Regis Academy, on Tuesday 10th December. After participating in a singing workshop here in school, with our choir, we are excited for your children, from our partner primary schools to be performing in the event. Parents, families and friends of the performers are welcome to arrive at St Regis from 4.15pm. On arrival we will have refreshments and music from St Regis pupils.

The Big sing will begin at 5pm, with performances from the combined choirs of St Regis and our partner primary schools. We will end with a sing a long of some Christmas Carols.

To help us plan, we would be grateful if you could complete the Microsoft forms, to indicate the number of people who will be attending the event. https://forms.office.com/e/bE2wuHS5aw

Alternatively, you can email me at <u>Irowley@stregisacademy.org</u> or call school reception, 01902 552173. We look forward to welcoming you and your children to St Regis and celebrating the Christmas season.

Kind regards,

Mrs Laura Rowley

Assistant Principal – Personal Development

Year 4 Symphony Hall Trip

Year 4 will be going on a school trip to see a schools' concert at Symphony Hall on **10**th **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.

The performance begins at 1.30PM and should last one hour. Children will travel by coach, leaving school at 11.45am and should return to school by approximately 4.00pm

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 6th February. https://forms.office.com/e/bSpANhha72

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. https://forms.office.com/e/bSpANhha72

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





Glockenspiel Group Performance

Mr Gray's Glockenspiel club are invited to take part in a short performance at Life Spring Church on Wednesday 11th December. The children will travel by bus with Mrs Morris and Mr 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 9th 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 29th 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 8th 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?

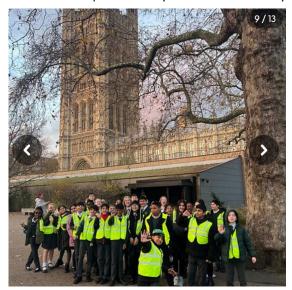
The programme of activities is not yet finalised. However, last year the children have various team building activities such as shelter building and buggy building. The children also took part in a climbing activity on a climbing wall. The children are encouraged to take part in everything and push themselves 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.

Year 6 Parliament Visit

Year 6 were privileged to have a tour and workshop inside the houses of parliament this week. We hope the children will look back on this experience for years to come. Thank you to all the staff who accompanied the children.





Swimming

4K will be having their last swimming session on 9/12/24. 4K will have PE in school on 16th December so will still need to be in their PE kit.

4S will start swimming after Christmas. Swimming is a statutory element of the curriculum. Please complete the form below:

https://forms.office.com/e/PEpdAyg0My

4S swimming.

4S will be swimming next term. Swimming will begin on Monday 6th January at St Regis Secondary School. Swimming will take place during the afternoon.

The children will walk to St Regis during the afternoon session, have their lesson, then walk back. Please be aware that children may be slightly late returning at the end of the school day, especially when they first start to go and are getting used to drying and changing themselves. Children are to wear P.E kit on this day. The children will be accompanied by three members of Christ Church staff.

Splash Swim School will take the swimming lessons for us at St Regis. The teachers are experienced in working with swimmers and non-swimmers.

Children are asked to make sure that they have the appropriate swimming kit.

- All girls to wear swimming caps & boys if their hair is longer than collar length.
- No jewellery (except studded earrings)
- · One piece swimsuit for girls.
- · Swim trunks or swim shorts for boys (above the knee only)
- · Remember to bring a towel!

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.

Sunday 8th December - Santa Run at West Park

Monday 9th December – Last 4K Swimming Session

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 https://forms.office.com/e/v2JcDpT6Hc

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 6th January – 4S first swimming session

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

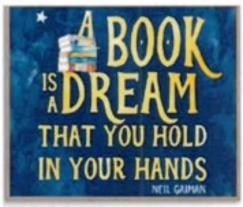
Tuesday 17th June-Year 6 Residential Parents' Meeting

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 |
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| 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 |
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| 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 |
| SANDWICH | 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 |
| | Flapjack & Orange Slices | Jam Sponge & Custard | Shortbread with Apple slices | Apple Crumble & Custard | Fruity Friday |

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Week beginning:

21/10/24

18/11/24

9/12/24

Week Three Menu



| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| 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