



Newsletter 2 – 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022

Perseverance



Honesty

Friendship Kindness

Love

Respect

'Grow and Learn together with God by our side'

#### **Harvest Festival**

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022, Year 1 will lead us in Worship to celebrate and give thanks at 2:00pm at Christ Church, Church Road, Tettenhall Wood. Parents are invited to attend. Please note, children will return to school following the service and will be dismissed as normal from the Infant School playground at 3:05pm.

As part of our harvest festival, we will be collecting food items to send to The Good Shepherd Ministry, Wolverhampton. Good Shepherd Ministry is a charity whose aim is to assist the homeless and others in need in Wolverhampton. They provide practical assistance in the form of food, clothing, bedding and toiletries – some of the basic necessities of life. Please could we request donations in the form of tins and packets, in particular, which have a longer shelf life than fresh produce. Items requested by the Good Shepherd include:

Tinned fruits, jam, long life milk, chocolate, biscuits, sugar, squash, crisps, coffee, cereal, hot chocolate, rice pudding, custard, gravy granules, jars of curry, pasta sauce, tinned potatoes, tinned meats, tomato sauce, shampoo, wet wipes, shower gels, toilet roll, deodorant and washing up liquid.

On this occasion Nursery will not be joining us in church, but are welcome to bring a donation into school.

We will be accepting donations from Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022 until 9:00am on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022.



Thank you for your support.

#### **Christian Ethos**

Walking around school it is wonderful to see the children being ready, respectful and responsible learners. During Worship, we have been thinking about our core Christian values of Kindness, Love, Perseverance, Friendship, Honesty and Respect. I am delighted to see the children demonstrating these in their classrooms, on the playground and in the dinner hall – well done children.

In addition, you may have noticed our reflection garden/ quiet area on the playground. It has been a delight to see the children using the space appropriately to sit, talk, think, reflect and write prayers during their morning and lunchtime breaks. Some examples can be seen in the photographs below:



## Morning Drop Off

Please help us to ensure a calm and safe start to the school day by **standing with your child** until the bell rings at 8:50am. **This is not a playtime**; equipment, scooters, tyres etc. should not be in use.

FAMILY FUN @

Thank you for your co-operation.

## Criss Cross

Families are invited to attend Christ Church, Church Road on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September 4-6pm for a family fun session 'Criss Cross'. Please note, booking is not required. CHRISTCHURCH CRISS ----CROSS CRISS ----CROSS Sun September Children, mums, dads & grandparents. Children, mums, dads & grandparents. Children to gether. Story, crafts, worship, food.

Christ Church,

# Thought of the Week

Everyone can experience the joy and blessing of generosity; because everyone has something to give. \*

JAN GRACE

# MARVELLOUS

All new starters should now have received their MarvellousMe join codes. Please sign up as soon as possible. This is a lovely way for teachers to be able to provide overviews of the children's learning and share messages and reminders.

Staff will use MarvellousMe to share wonderful news with you about your child's/children's achievements, learning and skills development. The MarvellousMe Parent app is free, fun and simple to use. We hope it will help you to:

- Have a meaningful conversation with your child about their school day.
- Continue your child's learning and practise topics that they've done in class.
- Celebrate and reinforce their successes and positive behaviours.

You are able to enjoy MarvellousMe on your smartphone, tablet or online, and can easily share it with partners, carers and family members.

## Water Bottles

A reminder that children's water bottles for the classroom should contain water only.

Thank you.

#### Jewellery

For health and safety reasons, children should not wear any jewellery to school other than a small wristwatch, a pair of small stud earrings or recognised religious jewellery.

#### **Fabulous Finale Day**

At the end of each Topic children conclude their learning with a Fabulous Finale day. This allows children the opportunity to draw together and consolidate their learning through a range of exciting activities.

# Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Y2 Fabulous Finale Day

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Reception and Y1 Fabulous Finale Day (Reception will not require their PE kit on this day).

Reception - Please come dressed in **clothes that reflect your interests** e.g. football kit, dance outfit, superhero costume, princess outfit etc.

Year 1 – Please come dressed in **party clothes**. Please bring a **sock** ready to create your own sock puppet.

Year 2 – Please come dressed as a **pirate**. Please do not feel you need to buy a costume. A stripy top, jeans and a scarf as a bandanna/sash is perfectly adequate. In addition, please send your child with a **kitchen roll tube** in preparation for their craft activity.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We look forward to sharing photographs with you all soon.

#### <u> Diwali Day – 21/10/22</u>

On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022 we will be celebrating the festival of Diwali with an in-school Diwali day. The children will take part in a range of activities to learn about the ways in which the festival is celebrated around the world.

If you are able to offer any support or would be willing to talk to the children about the festival, please speak to your child's class teacher.

As this is a celebration, we ask that the children come to school wearing bright, colourful clothes or traditional clothing.



# Diary Dates Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Fluenz nasal spray immunisations Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Parents Evening 3:30-6:00pm Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Parents Evening 4:00pm-6:30pm Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Harvest Service in Church @ 2:00pm Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Y2 Fabulous Finale Day Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Y2 Fabulous Finale Day Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Nursery PM, Reception, Y1 and Y2 Individual photographs Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022 – Diwali Day, children are invited to wear traditional clothing or bright colours Nursery AM individual photographs Break up for October Half Term Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 – INSET DAY, INFANT SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLOSED TO PUPILS Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022 – Maths Day – further information to follow

#### Term and Holiday Dates 2022-2023 Academic Year

#### Autumn Term 2022

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 – INSET DAY

Term Time: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022 to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

October Half Term: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022 to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 – INSET DAY

Term Time: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022 to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Christmas Holiday: Monday 19th December 2022 to Monday 2nd January 2023

#### Spring Term 2023

Term Time: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 to Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Friday 17th February 2023 – INSET DAY

February Half Term: Monday 20th February 2023 to Friday 24th February 2023

Term Time: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023 to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Easter Holiday: Monday 3rd April 2023 to Friday 14th April 2023

#### Summer Term 2023

Term Time: Monday 17th April 2023 to Friday 26th May 2023

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023 – May Day Bank Holiday

May Half Term: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2023 to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023

Term Time: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023 – INSET DAYS