

CHRIST THE SAVIOUR C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms" | Peter 4:10

We have really enjoyed the opportunities to have an increased sense of belonging and connectedness in our school community this half term. It was wonderful to welcome new parents to the PTA AGM at the Broadway Site in September and to invite parents into school for our curriculum evenings, Teddy Bear's Picnics and at Mass each week. We were also delighted to host the first of our parent workshops led by our dramatherapist, Sophie Gunnion Lasek to over 70 parents and a huge thank you to the parents who accompanied Year 5 on our first educational visit of the year to the River Brent last week (do have a look at the website article to see how this links to our curriculum.) Our children are also enjoying connecting with more friends at school through our new family dining at lunchtime and attending different after school clubs.

Black History Month

We have very much enjoyed celebrating Black History Month during October. The theme for Black History Month this year is: 'Proud to Be.' The focus of Black History Month in our Collective Worship was linked to our school vision of being an **aspirational community** and we looked at the lives of people from the black community who have had high aspirations and shown **endurance** as they have endeavoured to achieve those aspirations. All classes learnt more about a close member of our school community, Floyd Steadman. Floyd's late wife Denise worked at our school for over 30 years and was a much loved member of the school staff. Floyd spoke to our Year 5 and 6 pupils about his inspiring story as a Headteacher and elite sportsperson and shared some of the experiences of unconscious bias as well as direct racism he has experienced during his life. I know our pupils have been inspired by learning about his life story and we will share the dates of his Sky Sports Documentary as soon as this is announced. Parents and upper key stage two pupils may also be interested in reading his new book "A Week One Summer" which will be published soon.

Parent Prayer Group

Our CtS Prayer Group will resume in person after half term on Wednesday 3rd November and will be organised by Christine Statham (mum to Nathaniel in Year 2.) Our prayer group is a place where members of the school community can find spiritual encouragement and sustenance as well as join in praying for the life and work of our school community. The prayer group will take place on the first Wednesday of each month at 9am in the Pastoral Centre - next to the Grove Site Main Office. Dates for the year can be found on the school website calendar.

Worship dates for your diary

It is a long standing tradition for us to celebrate the feast of Christ the King to celebrate the end of the Church's year. This service will be held at Christ the Saviour Church on Sunday, 21st November at 5.30pm with participation from our Broadway choirs, Year 6 servers and some of our pupil worship leaders. More information to follow next half term but do please save the date.

PTA events on Friday 22nd October

The PTA have arranged a number of events for the last day before half term.

Non Uniform Day: Pupils can swap their uniform for their own clothes and donate a gold coin at drop off or if you prefer to donate to the PTA online, please use the following link: www.virginmoneygiving.com/fund/CTSnonuniformday

Cake Sale: Cakes will be sold from 3pm on both sites. Please support the PTA by baking or buying a nut free cake (or small cakes) and drop them off at the gate on Friday morning.

Second Hand Uniform Sale: Our hugely popular second hand uniform sale will take place on Friday 22nd October at the Grove Site from 9.30am-10.30am.

A huge thank you to our PTA for arranging all of these events!

Breakfast Club

We are pleased to announce that we shall resume offering cereal, fruit and toast at breakfast club after half term. Staff are also on hand to support children with their spellings and reading during breakfast club so do let the staff know if there is any home learning you would like them to support your child with in the mornings.

School Street and Safe Parking

Many thanks to all the parents who helped Mr Beckerely supervise our School Street at the Grove Site this week. If you are able to help out on a regular basis please email Ms Valentin valentin@cts-school.org and let her know when you are able to help. We are more than happy to provide a free breakfast club place to the children of parents who are helping with the School Street. A polite reminder that the school street creates a 'low traffic area' and not a 'no traffic area' so parents should continue to teach their children to walk safely on the pavement and not on the road.

Admissions

A reminder that the deadline to apply for a secondary school place is 31st October 2021. If any Year 6 parents require support with this application or further information please do not hesitate to contact our admin team as soon as possible.

A gentle reminder to our Nursery parents that if you would like your child to attend Christ the Saviour Reception you must apply via the Local Authority and provide the school with a Supplementary Information Form to support your application. The deadline for Reception applications is 15th January 2022.

Wishing you a restful half term.

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Best wishes,

Mrs K Tramoni Headteacher