



CHRIST THE SAVIOUR C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

“For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given, and the government will be on His shoulder. And He will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:6)

We have been looking at this Bible verse from the Old Testament in our Collective Worship as we learn more about the Christian Value of Peace during this season of Advent. Children have been learning about how to follow in the steps of Jesus and be peacemakers bringing peace to their friendships, classrooms and to our school. They have learnt that peacemakers: listen to others, understand feelings, help find solutions and don't repeat unkind words. We have prayed that we all choose words and actions that will lead to peace in our school community.

CtS Prayer Group

Our prayer group led by Christine Statham met again on 1st December with prayers offered for all our community. If you would like to join this group the next meeting will take place on the first day back, Wednesday 5th January in the Pastoral Centre next to the Grove Site Office. There is a mix of liturgy, scripture, and open prayer so everyone can participate and there is no pressure to pray aloud if you don't want to. If you are unable to attend or would like the group to pray for you or for someone else do send in prayer requests to:

prayers@cts-school.org

PTA

A huge thank you to everyone for all your help and support at the Christingle Fair on Friday - it was a huge success and enjoyed immensely by so many within our school community - the children were literally bursting with excitement, it was a really special time for them! Our PTA worked tirelessly behind the scenes to make this event both safe and successful and we are always so grateful for their enthusiasm to fundraise for our school and provide these wonderful memories for our children - thank you! This week each class will take part in their sponsored Santa Dash raising more money for the PTA. Donations can be made [here](#) and you can leave supportive comments for your child's class - it's always lots of fun!

Christmas Jumper/ Christmas Lunch

A reminder that our Christmas Lunch will be served on Wednesday, 15th December. Please pay for a school lunch on ParentPay as usual. Children will be allowed to wear a Christmas jumper or Christmas accessory on this day and donations can be made to the PTA on the gate.

Curriculum - Knowledge organisers

At our Year group Information evenings at the beginning of the academic year we pointed you to the really helpful knowledge organisers that we have created for our foundation subjects that can be found on each of the [Year group pages](#) on our school website. These are a great resource and can be used at home to reinforce the new knowledge your child has learnt at school this term. You might like to use the information from these knowledge organisers to create a family quiz over the Christmas holidays!

Curriculum - Reading Recommendations

This term our curriculum teams have created recommended reading lists for each year group. These recommended reading lists can also be found on the Year Group pages of our school website. The reading lists

for KS1 and lower KS2 also make it clear which of the books are available to listen to on Youtube as well, so they don't necessarily have to be bought although you might find there are some helpful ideas for Christmas gifts!

Up the Spiral Staircase

Our school book 'Up the Spiral Staircase' written to celebrate the 160th anniversary of our school would also make a lovely Christmas Gift for families and friends who know the school. These can be purchased on ParentPay. Please email the admin team if you make a purchase this way and you can arrange to collect a copy from the office or the admin team will put a copy in your child's book bag.

Curriculum - Clubs

We are delighted to attach our new clubs brochure for the Spring Term 2022. Please note we have increased our prices for some clubs due to rising costs for specialist staff, energy bills and site maintenance and the school cannot afford to run clubs at a financial loss. Please note there will be **no clubs next week**, the last week of term.

Covid risk assessment - updated guidance from Ealing Local Authority

Since half term, rates of covid in schools have rapidly increased with children aged 5 to 10 having the highest rates in Ealing and the government announced further measures in schools in response to the Omicron variant. We are continuing to adapt our Covid risk assessment to keep our end of term activities safe. We would be very grateful if parents who are visiting school for end of term events such as the Nursery and Reception performances, Advent Carol Services or Mass could wear a face covering and carry out a lateral flow test before they come on site. Anyone who has symptoms of Covid-19 or has tested positive for Covid-19 should not attend these events and should follow national guidance on staying at home. This way we will protect our full community in the lead up to Christmas.

Testing in a Covid positive household

If a member of your household tests positive, Ealing Public Health recommends that household members undertake 7 days of daily testing with lateral flow tests. LFTs should be taken for 7 days from the date COVID-19 symptoms started in the household or from the date of the first positive test if there are no symptoms. In addition, all household members should undertake a PCR test.

Limiting social/non-essential activity in Covid positive households

If a member of your household tests positive, Ealing Public Health recommends that the family limit social or non-essential activity outside of the school day for 10 days. This includes playdates, sports, parties, and any extracurricular activities. This will help to reduce ongoing transmission across the borough.

Staff leavers

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to the following staff at the end of this term: Kamil Ciolek, Mr Hingley, Jelena Ivanovic and Miss McKendrick. We are hugely grateful to them all for their work for the school particularly those who have worked here for many years. We wish all staff leavers the very best in their new endeavours both here and abroad!

End of term arrangements - Friday, 17th December

A reminder of timings for the last day of the Autumn term on Friday, 17th December. Pick up time as below:

1.15 - 1.30pm: Grove Site Pupils

1.30pm - 1.45pm: Broadway Site Pupils

A reminder that the first day of the Spring Term, 2022 is a staff inset day and the first day back to school for pupils is **Wednesday, 5th January**.

Best wishes,
Mrs Tramoni