

# CHRIST THE SAVIOUR C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents.

It has been a busy start to the academic year with the election of House Captains, our first round of Year 6 prefects appointed, Nursery stay and play sessions, parent coffee mornings, the start of our regular sport competitions, massive community success in our MacMillan fundraising and the start of our Black History Month celebrations with the visit of Floyd Steadman OBE to the Broadway Site yesterday. Do check the news articles on our school website for more details on these and other events.

### **Christ the Saviour Governing Body**

We said a very fond and grateful farewell to Alan Reynolds, our former Chair of Governors at our first Governing Body meeting this term when Alan stood down. Alan has been a Governing Body member for over 10 years guiding the school through much change including the amalgamation and expansion of two schools. We are hugely grateful to him for his commitment to our school and wish him well in his new endeavors out of London. Mark Hedges has been elected as our new Chair of Governors. His contact details can be found on the school website on the Governors' page along with the details and lead responsibility areas of all CtS Governors.

# **Parent Information Evenings**

It was lovely to hear such positive feedback following our Parent Information Evenings held earlier this term. We hope you enjoyed meeting the staff in your child's new year group and hearing about our exciting curriculum. Slides for year groups I to 6 can be found on the Year group pages of our school website. These pages contain helpful information about the curriculum including knowledge organisers, reading recommendations and a link to each year group's curriculum map.

Dates for our EYFS Parent Information Evenings:

**Reception Parent Information Evening** - Thursday, 2nd November 5.30pm **Nursery Parent Information Evening** - Tuesday, 14th November 5.30pm

# Open Afternoon Year groups I to 6

We are pleased to be holding two open afternoons to enable parents to come into classrooms and see their child's work and new learning environment before you meet the class teacher at our Parents' Evening. Open afternoons will be held on the following dates as per our school calendar:

Grove Site Open Afternoon Year I and Year 2: Monday, 16th October 2.15pm-3pm Broadway Site Open Afternoon Year 3 to 6: Tuesday, 17th October 2.15pm-3pm

This is an informal drop in and parents can visit different classrooms on the same site if they have siblings.

### Online Parents' Evening Nursery to Year 6

We are holding our Online Parents' Evenings on Wednesday, 18th and Thursday, 19th October from 4pm. A letter with information on how to book your online parents' evening will be sent out this week. We know that online parents' evenings are very practical for some parents, particularly when two parents can log in from different locations, but we are aware that other parents would prefer to meet the class teacher face to face. In the past we have offered a blended approach where parents can choose online or in person meetings but this has turned out to be hugely complicated for our staff. Our Autumn Term Parents' evenings will therefore remain online although our staff are always available to make face to face appointments with parents at a convenient time and we do encourage parents to arrange this, particularly if they are unable to access online meetings.

### **Small Step Planning Meeting**

If your child is on our SEN register the class teacher will be in touch after half term to arrange a convenient time for you to come into school to meet with you and your child to discuss their support and targets. This does not replace the Parent Consultations noted above so please make an appointment for both.

# **Safeguarding**

A polite reminder to our Grove Site parents that our School Street on The Grove is a low traffic zone and not a no traffic zone. Parents should continue to use the pavements and encourage their children to learn good pedestrian habits - please do not walk in the middle of the road. We really do urge parents to plan a safe drop off and collection at the beginning and end of the school day. Rushed drop offs, including dangerous parking, makes the local environment unsafe for our school community and neighbours and raises anxiety for our children.

### **Breakfast club**

We are pleased to be able to offer our Breakfast club to Nursery children from Monday, 9th October. The cost of breakfast club for all year groups is £4. Nursery children will attend the breakfast club in our Grove Site hall and will be seated with our Reception children. They will be collected from the hall by a Nursery member of staff at 8.30am. Please ensure you speak to Joan Ashoo at the Grove Site if your Nursery child has any allergies we do not already know about.

Very best wishes,

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