



# CHRIST THE SAVIOUR C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

## Gold TFL Award

We are really proud to let you know that CtS has achieved the TFL Travel for Life Gold accreditation award. This was in recognition of all we do to promote safe and healthy travel to school. Our stands - purchased by the PTA last year - are bursting with bikes and scooters so well done to everyone who is choosing a sustainable way to travel to school! We know not all families live close enough to walk, bike or scooter to school and we encourage families to park and stride. For those who drive to school please make sure you are parking safely in our local area, please see our [Travelling to School webpage](#) which has a map of where you can park for free within a 10 minute walk of the school. Children should not be dropped off along the Uxbridge road or on Springbridge Road which are very busy for both pedestrians and different modes of transport.

## Road Safety Week (Nov 3rd-Nov 7th)

We are aware that over half term the hour will change, resulting in darker mornings and evenings when children are traveling to and from school; this is a time of year which poses more risks as children traveling to school are less visible to drivers in the darkness. Our road safety week after half term will include a "Be Bright and Be Seen" non uniform day on Friday 7th November when children are invited to come to school wearing reflective and fluorescent clothing and accessories so they can be safe and be seen. We ask that all parents help us to model the Road Safety message to the children of Stop, Look, Listen, Think before they cross the road and please do not dash across the road when the red man is showing.

## Black History Month

Thank you to all those children and their families who have shared with us photographs, stories and costumes from the Notting Hill Carnival. Please continue to send your contributions to school so that we can add more to the displays that have been created. This week all the children from Reception to Year 6 enjoyed learning more about Caribbean culture and music of carnival through a Steel Pan performance that took place on both sites delivered by a former CtS student!

## Attendance and Reporting Absences

We were thrilled to have the third highest attendance rate in the Local Authority last year. For a non-catchment school with families coming from as far as Brent, Hounslow and Wembley this is a real success and we are so grateful to all our families for supporting their child's high attendance. The attendance rates for this term for each year group can be found below:

	CtS	National
Reception	97.6%	95.2%
Year 1	97.1%	95.5%
Year 2	97.4%	95.8%
Year 3	97.8%	96%
Year 4	97.3%	95.8%
Year 5	97.8%	95.7%

Year 6	96.7%	95.3%
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A reminder of our current expectations around reporting absences. If your child is absent please email the admin team ([admin@cts-school.org](mailto:admin@cts-school.org)) You may like to copy the class teacher into the email but it is vital that the email is sent to the admin team who will mark the absence accordingly. If the class teacher is absent or not taking the class register that morning this absence will not be marked correctly and can result in unnecessary phone calls. Parents must report their child's absence in writing before 8.30am. Please include in the email:

Subject: Pupil Absence, child's name, child's class (e.g Pupil Absence, John Smith, 6LY)

The reason for the absence should be included in the email.

Please note if your child is unwell the school needs to record this correctly so please state the illness e.g. stomach ache/ headache do not simply write "unwell"

### **Parents' Evening**

Pupils will bring home a selection of their exercise books on Friday 17th October to share with you in advance of our Parents' Evenings next week. We hope you will enjoy celebrating your child's work at home and ask you to return the books to school on Monday 20th October. Parents' evenings will take place in person on Wednesday 22nd October and online on Thursday 23rd October. We are continuing to offer both in person and online meetings following the parent consultation we held at the beginning of the academic year 2024/2025 when there was a 50/50 split from parents in favour of online and in person meetings - our bookings this year show a very even split each night.

### **PTA thank you!**

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend our PTA AGM last week. We celebrated the incredible success of our PTA last year and the formidable fundraising efforts and events that took place across the year. The PTA have done an excellent job in raising £50,000 for the school - some of which will be used to purchase new playground climbing equipment across both sites. We would like to thank our outgoing PTA chairs Katie Hargreaves and Veronica Bowker for their hard work and commitment to our school over the last 3 years. And a warm welcome to Emily Murphy and Donna Elsey, our new PTA chair and vice-chair.

### **Parents WhatsApp**

Our parent whatsapp groups are managed by our PTA class reps who are volunteers and not by the school. A polite reminder on behalf of the PTA that personal data should not be shared on these whatsapp groups for example parents should not comment on individual pupils, staff or parents. These groups are used to share information relevant to the class or year group and remind parents of upcoming PTA and school events. We do ask that parents engage in polite and helpful communication.

### **Parental Concerns**

A polite reminder that the first line of communication if you or your child are unhappy with our school offer is the class teacher who has the most regular contact with your child. Occasionally things can be mis-interpreted and it is best to nip low level issues in the bud - just drop an email to the class teacher and ask for clarification or more information if needed.

### **Uniform Health and Safety**

We are very much looking forward to sharing the class and individual photos with you when they are ready. These showcase the pride with which our pupils wear their school uniform. A reminder that ties are a compulsory uniform item to be worn with a white shirt. If your child does not like wearing a tie they should choose to wear a gingham shirt instead. In line with our uniform and health and safety guidelines children should not wear any jewellery other than a simple strap watch or stud earrings.

### **Staff Vacancies**

We are currently advertising for a Nursery teaching assistant and lunchtime supervisors. Job descriptions and an application form can be found on our website [here](#). Please contact our admin team for more information.

## **Autumn Term events for your diaries**

Parents are warmly invited to the following events for their child's year group in the Autumn Term

### **Christ the King** on Sunday, 23rd November at 5.30pm

All families are invited to this annual service. Our Year 4,5 and 6 choirs and Year 6 servers will all be invited to take part in the procession. A google form will be sent out next half term to register attendance.

### **Coffee Afternoon What about Me? Self Care for Parents** on Monday 10th November 2-3pm at the Broadway Site.

### **PTA Christingle Fair** Friday 5th December from 3pm

#### **Nursery sing-a-long**

Wednesday, 17th December: 9am - 9:30am (Children in AM and Full time 4 days)

Wednesday, 17th December: 2:30pm - 3pm (Children in PM and Full time 5 days)

#### **Reception Nativity Performances**

Wednesday, 3rd December at 9.30am Ash and Elm

Thursday, 4th December at 9.30am Oak and Beech

#### **Year 1 Christmas Concert**

Wednesday 10th December

9.15am 1GG and 1ET

2pm 1KM and 1SM

#### **Year 2 Christmas Concert**

Thursday 11th December

9.15am 2SD and 2RS

2pm 2NZ and 2AB

#### **Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Carol Service in the Church at 2pm**

Monday, 15th December

#### **Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Carol Service in the Church at 2pm**

Tuesday, 16th December

#### **Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumpers!**

Wednesday 17th December

Very best wishes,

Mrs Tramoni