

# Christ Church CE (VA) Junior School



# NEWSLETTER



## SUMMER TERM

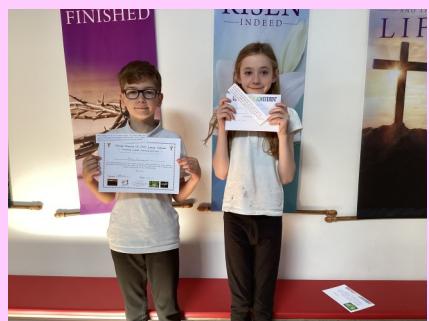
Friday 9th June 2023

### Headteacher Update

- It was fantastic to see so many families in school this week, for both the Skip2bFit session and The Family Learning session for Year 6. Thank you to everyone who came. We will continue our work with Dave from Skip2bFit next year, so there will be more opportunities to join in again next year!
- Parent Governor vacancy:** We have a vacancy on our Governing Body for a Parent Governor. We are keen to make sure Parents are represented on our Governing Body. Would you be interested? Would you have the skills to bring to our team, further strengthening the Governing Body and helping move the school forward on its journey to outstanding? If you are interested, please see Miss Embleton for further information.
- Sports week next week: please remember the children can come in comfortable clothes for sports activities each day. Please remember proper PE kit with house t-shirts on Wednesday, for Sports Day. Parents are welcome to attend for Sports Day from 1.30pm on Wednesday. Children must have a water bottle each day. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend everyone. See you for a busy one next week!

### Photo Wall



### HEADTEACHER'S AWARD



Well done this week to our Headteacher's Award winner this week!

Eva Macdonald



Thank you for everything you have done to earn the HT Award this week!

### Key Dates:

- 19.6.23 Hand to Mouth Y5 Journey: The Lord's Prayer
- 19.6.23 Hand to Mouth Y6 Journey: Moving On
- 19.6.23 Sports Week (Mon-Fri)
- 7.7.23 Transition Day
- 13.7.23, 6pm, Y6 Leavers
- 19.7.23 Y6 Leavers' BBQ
- 21.7.23 School Closes

### Attendance

Class	Attendance %	Number of lates (after 9.00am)
Willows	95.2	6
Junipers	97.5	2
Chestnuts	90.2	6
Sycamores	91.4	9
Whole School	93.6	23

National Attendance Target = 96%

## Skip2bFit Family Day:

What a fabulous day we all had on Monday. It was great to see so many families attending with their children. Thank you so much for joining in with the day!



Holiday Activity



The  
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# SUMMER BASH

• 2023 •



Heath RUFC, North Dean, Stainland Rd, Greetland, Halifax HX4 8LS

## SATURDAY 8TH JULY

2-10pm

Buy Tickets Here!



[www.invictuswellbeing.com/summerbash](http://www.invictuswellbeing.com/summerbash)

Live Music, Street Food, Bar, Karaoke & Free  
Kids Activities such as Bouncy Castle,  
Facepainting, Rugby, Football & much more.

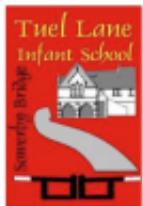
Raising Vital Funds for Local Children & Young People's Mental Health  
Tickets £10 Adult, £5 Child, £20 Family Ticket (2+2) + free super raffle entry per purchased ticket!

## Year 6 Family Learning—T shirt memories:



**Term Dates: 2023-24**

**Please note that these dates are for both Christ Church and Tuel Lane.**



Tuel Lane Infant School  
and  
Christ Church CE (VA) Junior School

Term Dates 2023-24



Autumn Term	Re-open	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September
	Half-term	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October
	Re-open	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November
	Christmas holiday	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December
Spring Term	Re-open	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January
	Half-term	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February
	Re-open	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February
	Easter holiday	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March
Summer Term	Re-open	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April
	May bank holiday	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May
	Half-term	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May
	Re-open	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
	Summer holiday	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July
	INSET Days	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July

## School Attendance Matters!

School attendance is so important. We are working particularly hard at the moment to improve our 'Post' Covid Era' attendance so that we can maximise every child's learning potential. A day off here or there may seem to have little impact, but these soon build up over time. Please see below the impact of reducing attendance levels on face to face learning time.

### ATTENDANCE INFORMATION SHEET

#### **Above 97%: Less than 6 days absence a year**

Excellent attendance! These young people will almost certainly get the best results they can, leading to better prospects for the future. Pupils will also get into a habit of attending school regularly which will help in the future.

#### **95%: 10 days absence a year**

These pupils are likely to achieve good grades though increased attendance would be more likely to enable them to do the very best they can. Nonetheless, they will probably form a habit of attending school regularly

#### **90%: 19 days absence a year**

Young people in this group are missing a month of school per year; it will be difficult for them to keep up with work so they are likely to fall behind their peers. If a child's attendance is at this level it will almost certainly be referred to the Education Welfare Service which will rigorously monitor the situation in order to secure improvement. The government classes children with attendance below 90% as "**persistent absentees**" and it will be impossible for them to keep up with work. Parents of young people in this group could face the possibility of legal action taken by the Local Authority.

#### **85%: 29 days absence a year**

Young people in this group are missing six weeks of school per year; it will be almost impossible for them to keep up with work so they will fall behind their peers. If a child's attendance is at this level it will certainly be referred to the Education Welfare Service which will take immediate action in order to secure improvement.

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## Willows:

Another lovely week in willows! In Literacy, the children have focused on writing a non-chronological report about Tutankhamun. The children have soaked up information about the boy Pharaoh and it has been brilliant to see the children have gone home to research more facts about him!



In Maths, we have begun our new topic of shape. We have focused on turns and different angles this week, the children have worked successfully on these units, well done!

The children had a fantastic fitness Skip2bfit session on Monday, it was lovely to see so many parents attend and giving all exercises a go! A quick reminder, it is sports week next week with sports day on Wednesday afternoon. It would be lovely to see you all! Have a lovely weekend..  
Mrs Stewart



## Junipers:

This week in Junipers, we worked super hard with Miss Larkin to create our own storybooks in DT. We thought about how we could create moving parts using types of levers. They look very effective! In History we have looked at the characteristics of Henry VIII, describing the type of Monarch he was. We enjoyed a visit from Dave for Skip 2B Fit and had lots of fun, as always, we continue to show our resilience! We are super proud of Junipers this week; every single child has demonstrated our Christian Values and created a real sense of togetherness celebrating their achievements. Quick reminder, children may wear non-uniform on Monday as long as it is suitable for practical sport activities. Have a lovely, warm weekend - Miss Crawshaw and Mrs Page.



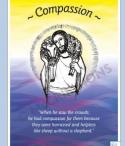
## Chestnuts:

This week we've continued our study of Romeo and Juliet where the children have translated some key words and created the message scrolls that tragically, never reached Romeo. They have created their own versions of a scene and rehearsed and performed them to great effect. We moved on to looking at converting between units of measurements – we welcomed a maths teacher from Ryburn in to begin a 4 week block, practical project which was brilliant – lots of excellent behavior and learning. In Science, we looked at the properties of objects and created a glossary of key properties and how they're useful in life. The children looked at the battle against the Spanish Armada in topic – with particular focus on Sir Francis Drake's life and naval career. It was lovely to see lots of visitors in school for our Skip2bfit Family day on Monday where the children were fantastic as usual! Mr Dow



## Sycamores:

We have had another great week in Sycamores. This week in literacy we have continued our work on the Jabberwocky; children worked in pairs to create a mind map about the Jabberwocky - they had to use their imagination to write facts about this creature: habitat, diet, appearance, ways to defeat it ... etc. Children then used this information to write a non chronological report. In maths we have been using different strategies we have learnt over the year to solve problems involving percentages, ratio and proportion and time. The afternoons have also been quite busy; on Monday, children stood at the front of the class to share their Robinwood experiences and their Business enterprise (for those that stayed at school during our residential) Children were fabulous, they spoke loud and clear and showed lots of confidence which was a pleasure to see. On Monday we also had our last session with Dave from Skip2bfit and on Wednesday we had a Y6 family learning session where children designed their Y6 leavers T-shirts. It was fab to have family members and carers joining in both sessions. It's been a long (and rather hot) week, we hope you have a lovely restful weekend. Miss Firth and Miss Mor



# Certificates

## CERTIFICATE WINNERS

WILLOWS: James Brook & Kai Paterson

JUNIPERS: Reggie Horsfall & Henry Schofield

CHESTNUTS: Nea Smith-Bates & Lily Faulkner

SYCAMORES: Bethany King & Morgan Wood-Fossitt

## Christian Values Certificates

Each week, we choose one person from each class who has exemplified one of our Christian Values throughout the week.

The winners this week are:

Brooke Garwood

Year 4

Billy Beaumont

Henry Armstrong