

Christ Church CE (VA) Junior School



NEWSLETTER



SUMMER TERM

Friday 14th July 2023

Headteacher Update

- As we approach the last week of term, please have a look at some of the holiday activities information detailed later in the newsletter. There are lots of wonderful things happening around Calderdale over the summer holidays!!
- Reading books: please can you all make sure that you return any reading books next week so that we can have a good sort out before the holidays.
- Children will start bringing lots of their wonderful work home very soon. We do hope you enjoy looking at your child's achievements this year. They have all been wonderful and worked so hard—there are lots of lovely things to look at!
- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly is on Friday—9.30am.
- And lastly, we have had incidents of children (not from Christ Church) trespassing on the school roof at the weekends. This is obviously incredibly dangerous and as a result, we are having to have additional security measures implemented which is going to involve a significant amount of investment—taking valuable funds away from our own children. Please can I ask any families within the local vicinity of school, if you see anyone on site/on the roof over the holidays, who clearly shouldn't be there. Please notify police. Many thanks.
- Have a lovely weekend!

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Well done to all of Year 6 this week. You are all nominated for a joint Headteacher's Award for your wonderful Leavers' Show and for your amazing SATs results!



Key Dates:

- 19.7.23 Y6 Leavers' BBQ
- 21.7.23 Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9.30am
- 21.7.23 School Closes

Photo Wall



Attendance

Class	Attendance %	Number of lates (after 9.00am)
Willows	96.7	4
Junipers	86.7	1
Chestnuts	93.5	2
Sycamores	91.1	2
Whole School	92.0	9

National Attendance Target = 96%

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



Calderdale Summer Reading Challenge:

It would be brilliant to hear about our children taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge through the Calderdale libraries. You can get involved wither online, or by visiting the library in person. Happy reading!



How it works

Welcome to the Summer Reading Challenge! Take part online or at your local library.

Online

At your library



1. Sign up

Click 'Join now' to create your account.



2. Read books

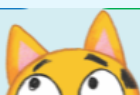
Set your reading goal and read anything you like! Each time you finish a book, add it to your profile and leave a review.



3. Earn digital rewards

Unlock special online badges and a certificate to print at home when you reach your Challenge goal!*

*Physical rewards like medals are only available when taking part at select libraries.



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At your library



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Visit your local library and ask to sign up – a librarian will give you a special collector folder when you start your Challenge.



2. Read books

Set a reading goal and read anything you like.



3. Earn rewards

Each time you finish a book, visit the library. You will collect special stickers and rewards for reading books!*

*Please check with your local library service which rewards they will be offering.

Half-term Holiday Activities:



Please see below the information about the Healthy holidays programme in Calderdale, running throughout the summer holidays. These are free to any child in receipt of free school meals. Booking via the website below:

<https://healthyholidays.calderdale.gov.uk/>












TAGS Camps

10:00am - 2:00pm daily | 5-14 Years | FREE Daily Meal & Snack for ALL
 FEE Paying places – www.tagsprogramme.co.uk/holidaycamps
 FREE Healthy Holiday Places (subject to eligibility) - <https://healthyholidays.calderdale.gov.uk>

w/c 24 th July	w/c 31 st July	w/c 7 th August	w/c 14 th August	w/c 21 st August	w/c 28 th August
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Half-term Holiday Activities:



51st Pellon
Scout Group



After the HUGE success of our Easter Camp,
Sign up now for the Summer Camp!
Spaces are limited!



HEALTHY
HOLIDAYS
CALDERDALE



SUMMER CAMP

BE PREPARED FOR 4 WEEKS OF
ACTION PACKED ADVENTURE!

24th Jul to 26th Jul

1st Aug to 3rd Aug

SCAN ME - SCAN ME



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7th Aug to 9th Aug

14th Aug to 16th Aug



PLACES ARE AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 5-16 YRS OLD
WHO ARE ENTITLED TO BENEFITS RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS.

TO BOOK ONTO OUR AMAZING PROGRAMME PLEASE EMAIL DETAILS OF YOUR
CHILD TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: 51STPELLON.HAF@GMAIL.COM

WE WILL MAKE AVAILABLE LIMITED PLACES FOR THOSE WHO ARE NOT IN RECEIPT OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS.
DETAILS OF COST FOR THESE PLACES WILL BE POSTED IN DUE COURSE

JOIN THE **FUN**

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THIS SUMMER AND ENJOY A **HEALTHY HOLIDAY!**



Open Water Safety: An important message to parents and carers for the summer holidays and beyond

Important message from Calderdale Public Health and West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue

We have been made aware of an incident where a small number of children have become unwell after playing, swimming or paddling in local rivers and canals.

At this time of year, we respond to many concerns about young people swimming and jumping into open water.

Be aware! Open waters are exposed to the elements and may therefore contain bacteria/viruses from natural sources such as animal waste. This can make you extremely unwell.

Please tell your children to:

Avoid drinking water from open water sources

Wash hands thoroughly after playing in or near rivers, lakes, streams and canals

If your child becomes unwell after contact with open water, seek medical advice as appropriate.

Please also remind your children about the other hidden dangers of open water. There are many dangers when entering canals, rivers, and reservoirs, which have tragically taken lives. **The number of accidental drownings in our region is on the rise.** Even with all the hot weather we have been having the water temperature will be cold. Below 15°C is defined as cold water and can seriously affect your breathing and movement

If you get into difficulty in the water #FloatToLive:

Take a minute - The initial effects of cold-water pass in the less than a minute so don't try and swim straight away

Relax and float - on your back to catch your breath. Try to get hold of something that will help you float

Keep calm - then call for help or swim to safety if you're able

If you see someone in difficulty in the water call **999** and ask for **FIRE!**



BRITISH SWIM SCHOOL
Survival of the Littlest

Beach & Open Water Safety Tips

Many of us travel to the beach in the warm weather - how fun! Make sure to follow these tips to ensure that everyone stays safe near the beach and/or ocean!

- 1 Never leave kids unsupervised near ANY body of water, and ALWAYS ensure there's a Water Watcher on duty.
- 2 Remind children they're NOT to go near any body of water without permission from an adult.
- 3 DO NOT rely on water wings or any other inflatable flotation device to save a child in a water emergency.
- 4 Have children wear a properly-fitting life jacket if needed.
- 5 DO NOT allow your children to engage in any horseplay, breath-holding games or dunking in the water.
- 6 Only swim in designated areas with a lifeguard present, and avoid areas with high waves or rip currents.
- 7 Adhere to all posted rules, warnings and flags, which may indicate the presence of unsafe swimming conditions or deep water.
- 8 Enter the water feet first - DO NOT dive in!
- 9 Always swim with a buddy, who can signal for help if you need it.

britishswimschool.com/water-safety

CHRIST CHURCH CE (VA) JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Willows:

Another lovely week in Willows. In Literacy this week, we have concluded our writing based on the story 'The Tunnel' We have had in depth discussions around the illustrations in the book and the children have created some fantastic stories based on the dilemma of whether they should go through the tunnel or not!



In Maths, the children went into the local area to conduct a traffic survey for our topic of statistics. The children have then drawn and interpreted their own bar charts - brilliant work Willows!

In History, the children have brainstormed and presented the information they have learnt about Ancient Egypt, the children seemed to have soaked up this information and have been extremely interested in this topic, hence why we decided to have our very own Egyptian day, where-by the children ate like pharaohs in the morning, mummified a tomato and had a lovely afternoon with parents/carers coming to see their wonderful work. Have a lovely weekend! Mrs Stewart

Junipers:



What a lovely penultimate week we have had! The children have blown me away with their fantastic Tudor setting descriptions - they have really showcased all their progress within writing this year. They were wonderful to read! In Maths we have finished our final unit of Position and Direction, we are now whizzes at coordinates. We are so proud of each and every child for their ukulele performance, we have been incredibly wowed by their determination and perseverance this year - we are so proud of them learning such a tricky skill! Have a wonderful weekend, we look forward to lots of fun activities next week. - Miss Crawshaw and Mrs Page.

Chestnuts:

This week, Chestnuts have finished their study of Elizabethan and Shakespearean history. They have written a setting description focusing on the senses and using figurative language to interest the reader - some of them were very graphic and really captured what a journey to or a night at the Theatre might have been like in the 1500s. The children have made Theater books, complete with a little stage and set design including a scene from a Shakespeare play - these have turned out amazingly well! The children displayed their knowledge by creating and presenting presentations about Shakespeare's life and works. In maths this week - we have been revising our multiplication and division skills as well as our knowledge of capacity and volume. A fantastic week!



Sycamores:



What an amazing week for Sycamores! A huge well done for the performance of "Goodbye My Friend" on Thursday night - there were a lot of nerves, but you all did brilliantly (especially our very enthusiastic boys who were dancing!)

The production was put together in quite a short time and the children worked so hard to very quickly learn lots of speaking lines, songs and dance moves. They were fantastic and I'm sure at least one of songs will be part of the Leavers' Service next week. A big thank you to all Sycamores staff for ensuring the performance was a success! As well as this, a massive congratulations to all of Year 6 for their wonderful SATs results. Whilst we know that our children are so much more than a test score, and there are many fabulous qualities they all have which are not measured by SATs - they deserve to be very rightly proud of what they have all achieved this year. They have made outstanding progress and put in a huge amount of effort, which is reflected in what they have achieved. Thank you, Sycamores, you've been brilliant. Have a lovely, restful weekend and we'll see you on Monday for our last week together. Miss Mor and Miss Firth.

Certificates

CERTIFICATE WINNERS

WILLOWS: Brooke Garwood

JUNIPERS: Willow Sykes & Reggie Horsfall

CHESTNUTS: Jaimee Lister

SYCAMORES:

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:

Grace Khulumula

Eloise Baldwin

Lewis Hussey

