



# Christ Church CE (VA) Primary School

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## REMINDER—TRAINING DAY ON 13th MARCH

### Collective Worship

Can I remind parents that if you choose to attend an assembly at the school you are often joining us for an act of collective worship. We therefore expect visitors to arrive on time and stay for the duration of the service so that the opportunity for spiritual development is not impeded by external distractions. We had a number of parents turn up late to join the carol service and unfortunately we could not permit entry. As I'm sure you will appreciate the children can be very distracted by comings and goings which is unfair when they work hard on their contribution to the collective e worship.

The amount of parents gathering late on the steps into the hall is also becoming a health and safety issue so all future events will not allow entry once the service has started.

### Speech & Language Therapist

Starting this week we have decided to employ a Speech & Language Therapist to support the children across the school. She will be in school every Thursday and will work with identified children. If you feel your child has a speech & language delay please speak with your child's teacher who will be able put them forward for assessment.

### Holiday!

Did you know your child has 180 days holiday per year. Your child is required to attend 185 days in school per year. Please do not take holiday during term time.

### Assemblies

9th March— Key Stage 2 Praise Assembly

10th March— Key Stage 1 Praise Assembly

17th March— Early Years Praise Assembly

24th March— Key Stage 1 & EYFS Mothers Day Assemblies

### PLEASE NOTE—

Whole School Easter Service is now on 6th April

## **Football**

A big well done to the boys in the Christ Church Football Team. They recently played their first game in the Diocese football competition against All Saints Academy. Christ Church were 3-1 down at half time but refused to give up and got the score back to 3-3. All Saints again took the lead to make it 4-3 but Christ Church scored again to finish game at 4-4. After 5 more minutes of extra time, Christ Church's fighting spirit was rewarded when they scored twice to win the game 6-4. Christ Church will now go through to a finals day in May/June. Excellent performance boys. Well done. (Goal scorers, Leonard x4, Travis and Rehan).



This half term's Christian value in the lead up to Easter, we are focussing on Forgiveness. 'Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive others.' Colossians 3.13.

Please help your child/ren learn the prayer:

Father God

You are always ready to forgive.

Make us always ready to receive your forgiveness

And to make a new beginning.

Amen

## **Book Day**

Thank you to all those who supported events during Book Week. We managed to raise £150. This money will go to 'Dogs Helping Kids' which is the charity supporting us with the reading dog training for Faith.

## **Sponsored Skydive**

Dear Parents

I need your help (more precisely money!). In an effort to raise money for Birmingham Children's Hospital I have decided to do a skydive. I am hoping to video it to show the children and would appreciate any donations towards sponsorship. If you feel you could support this worthwhile charity event please could you put your name down in the office.

Many thanks, Mrs Long

## **SinglePoint**

A reminder that our Community Room SinglePoint is at the front of the school and is able to offer a range of activities and support to help parents. They offer a range of courses, before and after school club, as well as team of Parent Support Workers who can offer 1:1 support with a range of issues from housing, benefit advice, behaviour strategies, etc. There are other benefits to becoming registered with SinglePoint including discounts on family day trips. Pop-in and speak with the friendly staff about what they can offer you!