

Jesus said, "I have come in order that you might have life – life in all its fullness."

(John 10:10)



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Newsletter

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Christ Church,

It's a hard knock life ...

"There's no gain without pain." "When the going gets tough, the tough get going!" "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again!" "Winners never quit, and quitters never win." "Success doesn't come easily." "Success is failing 19 times and succeeding on the 20th attempt!" "Little strokes fell great oaks." "Never say die."

... but we have each other and we have God.

At Christ Church we believe great things can be achieved through teamwork, careful planning, hard work, ambition and perseverance. The Bible says: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Rupert Kaye,
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Friday 20th January ... 3.15pm, Ruby Class cake sale

Monday 6th February ... 10.30am, Parent Tour of the school

Tuesday 7th February ... 9.15am, Headteacher's Commendations Assembly followed by Golden Time Party

Friday 10th February ... 3.15pm, Pearl Class cake sale

Mon 13th – Fri 17th February ... Spring Half-Term Holiday

Monday 20th February ... Children back to school

Wednesday 1st March ... 6.30–8pm, Prayer Meeting for parents, staff, governors and friends of our school

Thursday 2nd March ... 10.30am, Parent Tour of the school

Tuesday 7th March ... Year 4 "Pilgrim Day" at Wells Cathedral

Tuesday 14th March ... 3.30–6pm, Parents' Evening

Thursday 16th March ... 3.30–6pm, Parents' Evening

Friday 17th March ... 3.15pm, Sapphire Class cake sale

Friday 24th March ... Red Nose Day

Friday 24th March ... 2.30pm, Mother's Day Service at school
(parents invited)

Wednesday 29th March ... 9.15am, Headteacher's Commendations Assembly followed by Golden Time Party

Wednesday 29th March ... PTFA Easter Egg Hunt

Friday 31st March ... 2.30pm, Easter Service at Christ Church parish church (parents invited)

Mon 3rd – Mon 17th April ... Easter Holiday/Bank Holiday

Tuesday 18th April ... Children back to school

Please note: dates may be subject to change



Value focus:

Perseverance
means ... *we work hard and keep trying until we succeed*



This week's Bible reference:

"The Lord gives strength to those who are weary ... Those who trust the Lord will find new strength. They will be strong like eagles, soaring up on wings; they will walk and run without getting tired."
(Isaiah 40:29–31)

Our five core Christian values:
Respect Thankfulness Perseverance Forgiveness Responsibility



PERSON OF THE YEAR 2016

CHOOSE YOUR WINNER TODAY!

Please vote for Mr Ben Reynolds, a Learning Support Assistant at Christ Church.

The deadline for voting is 5pm next Wednesday, 25th January 2017.

This is what it says on the Frome Times website:

Ben is an active member of the Frome community. Having joined the Scouts when he was 11 years old, 16 years later, Ben is the 1st and 7th Beaver Scout leader and has been for six years.

Ben is also a helper at Frome and District Young Embroiderers Guild, on the Town Crier Festival Committee, a member of St Catherine's Catholic Church's fundraising and pastoral council and has been involved at Frome Museum. Ben works as a Learning Support Assistant at Christ Church First School.

Ben said, "I'm quite surprised that someone would nominate me but of course it's a nice surprise. I enjoy living in Frome and so I like to give back to the community. I especially like working with young people and being able to give them opportunities."

Ben's nomination said, "Ben is simply amazing. His dedication to the Scout movement is impressive and he runs the 1st and 7th Beaver group which meets at the Scout Hut. For the last few years, he has also run the Cub group, often working full time and many weekends to ensure everyone can enjoy trips and interesting events. It provides opportunities for children who wouldn't otherwise get the chance to meet guide dogs, play drums, visit museums, try abseiling and go camping. He has such a quiet, unassuming manner and never raises his voice, even though he is surrounded by 30 to 40 extremely excitable young people."

You can vote by emailing your choice to news@frometimes.co.uk (please include your own name and address) or by filling out the form on page 5 of this week's edition of the Frome Times and returning it to Absolutely Fabulous Costume Hire at 20 Bath Street, Frome. The deadline for voting is 5pm next Wednesday, 25th January 2017.

Safeguarding focus: keeping children safe on social media

Like all schools, Christ Church has an e-Safety Policy. This reminds us that all parents/carers and school staff have a shared responsibility to keep all children safe, whether this is in the "real" world or the "virtual" world. This means not allowing children under the age of 13 to have unsupervised access to the Internet.

Social media age restrictions:

- 13 years old ... *Facebook, Google+, Instagram, Pintrest, Reddit, Snapchat, Twitter,*
- 14 years old ... *LinkedIn*
- 16 years old ... *WhatsApp*
- 17 years old ... *Vine*
- 18 years old ... *Flickr, WeChat, YouTube*

Although some of these social media platforms do allow children aged 13–17 to sign up with a parent's permission, none of them allow children younger than 13 to do so.

Please note: each of these platforms encourages people to report anyone who does not keep to the age-restriction rules.

Source: Social Times (29th September 2014).