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Newsletter

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Christ Church,

“The main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing ... and the main thing is education!” The first part of this quote comes from Stephen Covey (author of many motivational leadership books including *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*). The second part of this quote comes from Sue Rogers, the newly appointed Deputy Director of Education for Somerset County Council.

So, what does this quote mean? It means that, as a school, we need to keep our focus on learning. Hence, my job, as headteacher, is to work with children, parents, staff and governors to ensure every child makes amazing progress in their learning. That is, and always will be, the main thing!

Rupert Kaye,
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Friday 9th October ... Topaz Class Cake Sale at 3.15pm
Wednesday 14th October ... school photos of individual pupils
Friday 16th October ... sibling/family photos (school hall) and nursery photos (nursery)
Tuesday 20th October ... 2.00pm, Emerald, Topaz and Sapphire Parent Celebrations
Wednesday 21st October ... 2.00pm, Harvest Festival at Christ Church parish church
Friday 23rd October ... 9.15am, Diamond and Pearl Parent Celebrations
Friday 23rd October ... 11.00am, Amber and Ruby Parent Celebrations
Friday 23rd October ... Headteacher’s Commendations and Golden Time Party

Monday 26th – Friday 30th October ... Autumn Half-Term Holiday

Tuesday 10th November ... Parents’ Evening, 5–7.30pm
Wednesday 11th November ... Remembrance Service
Thursday 12th November ... Parents’ Evening, 3.30–6pm
Wednesday 18th November ... Amber and Ruby Fire Safety programme
Friday 20th November ... Emerald Class Cake Sale at 3.15pm

Monday 21st December – Monday 4th January ... Christmas Holiday/Inset Day

Tuesday 5th January ... Children back to school
Friday 15th January ... Closing date for applications for Reception Class and Middle School places



Treasure Island Performance: voluntary contributions of 50p, please



Ahoy there me hearties! We are delighted to announce that this week M and M Theatrical Productions will be entertaining us all with Robert Louis Stevenson’s classic story about Young Jim Hawkins and Long John Silver.



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Applying for a Reception Class place for Sept 2016

Closing date for applications: 15 January 2016

Please follow Somerset County Council advice and put three school preferences on your form. So, if Christ Church is your first choice, please name Christ Church as your first preference but remember to add second and third preference schools as well.

Applying for a Middle School place for Sept 2016

Closing date for applications: 15 January 2016

The application form and deadline for a move to Middle School are the same as those for applying for a Reception place.

Finding the information online:

<http://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-learning-and-schools/choosing-a-school/apply-to-start-school/>

If you have any specific queries please don't hesitate to speak with Sara or Caroline in the Christ Church school office.

To speak to someone at **Somerset County Council Admissions and Entitlements Team:**

Address: County Hall, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 4DY

Email: schooladmissions@somerset.gov.uk

Tel: 0300 123 2224 (Opening hours: Mon to Thurs 8.30am to 5pm, Fri: 8.30am to 4.30pm, Saturday & Sunday: closed.)



Children need to come to the main entrance (by the school office) at 8.30am for breakfast in the school hall.

Class Cake Sale

On Friday 9th October, Topaz class cakes will be on sale at 3.15pm in the hall.

Come and meet Mr Kaye, our new headteacher.

CCFS book appeal

A big thank you to all children, parents, staff, governors and friends of Christ Church who have kindly donated books to the school.

Books received so far: 57

Target: 100



Harvest Festival: Wednesday 21st October

Our annual harvest festival is taking place at 2pm at Christ Church parish church, located on Christchurch Street West. **Please note:** all children will need to be collected from the CHURCH at 3.15pm.

Nursery: New Telephone Number

Our nursery can now be contacted by calling the school on 01373 463781; the old number is no longer in use.



Book Fair Winners

Our drawing/colouring competition winners:

Reception Winner – Ava (Pearl Class)

Highly Commended: Niamh, William & Yolanda

Year 1 Winner – Lacey (Amber Class)

Highly Commended: Deon, Julia & Tillie-Ann

Year 2 Winner – Angel (Ruby Class)

Highly Commended: Calvin, Evie & Sid

Year 3 Winner – Caitlin (Sapphire Class)

Highly Commended: Eleni, Jenna & Teagen

Year 4 Winner – Edie (Topaz Class)

Highly Commended: Dennis, Jonah & Maya