

Our five core Christian values:

Respect Thankfulness Perseverance Forgiveness Responsibility



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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Christ Church,

The importance of respect and kindness

Perhaps on this day – *the day after the American presidential election* – we would do well to reflect on this week's Bible story (Luke 7:1–10) about a leader who is respectful and kind. The story is about a Roman army officer who demonstrates his respect for other people, and trust in Jesus. The Roman is a powerful leader, but he is respected by others because of his attitudes and actions, not just because of his rank. We learn that he is helpful, generous and compassionate – he makes it a priority to ensure that his sick servant is healed. The Bible says: "When Jesus heard these things, he marvelled at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, said, 'I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith.' And when those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the servant well."

Rupert Kaye,
Headteacher

Autumn Term 2016 – Diary Dates



Thursday 10th November ... 3.30–6pm, Parents' Evening
Wednesday 16th November ... 6.30–8pm, Prayer Meeting for parents/carers/
friends/staff/governors
Friday 18th November ... Children in Need Day: "wear something spotty" mufti
and "bling your teddy" competition
Tuesday 22nd November ... Gymnastics competition
Friday 25th November ... 3.15pm, Emerald Class cake sale
Wednesday 30th November ... 4.30–6.30pm, PTFA Bingo & Bangers
Monday 5th December ... Christmas postbox opens in school
Tuesday 6th December ... Christmas play: Diamond & Pearl
Wednesday 7th December ... Christmas play: Amber & Ruby
Thursday 8th December ... Christmas play: Emerald,
Sapphire & Topaz
Friday 9th December ... Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 13th December ... 9.30am, Headteacher's
Commendations Assembly and Golden Time Party
Wednesday 14th December ... Christingle service at school
Thursday 15th December ... Santa's Grotto and Christmas
parties in school
Friday 16th December ... Crazy Christmas Jumper Day mufti
Friday 16th December ... 2pm, Carol Service at school
Monday 19th December – Tuesday 3rd January ...
Christmas Holiday/Inset Day
Wednesday 4th January ... Children back to school
Please note: dates may be subject to change

Value focus:

Respect
means ... *we show respect to other people and are tolerant of their ideas and beliefs*



This week's Bible reference:

"This man respects our people; he even paid for our place of worship."
(Luke 7: 1-10)

"Children don't care how much you know, until they know how much you care."

Breakfast Club parent helpers urgently needed.

Can you spare a couple of hours each week?

Please contact the school office.

Safe parking is important

Please do not obstruct the school gates or park on the yellow zig-zag lines. Thank you.



Smoking free zone
Please do not smoke on or close to the school premises. No smoking by the school fence or Key Centre gates please!

Wednesday 16th November
6.30-8pm, Prayer Meeting

All parents, staff, governors and friends of Christ Church are welcome.



Congratulations!

We are delighted to announce the good news that **Mrs Katy Tennant**, our Assistant Headteacher, Early Years Leader and Nursery class teacher, is expecting a baby girl in May 2017.



Friday 18th November
is our non-uniform
"wear something spotty"
mufti day. Please bring £1.

Poppy ... 50p
Reflector ... 50p
Wristband ... 50p
LED torch ... £1
Slap ruler ... £1
Friendship bracelet ... £1



Plastic bottle tops

Please save the coloured plastic tops from bottles, wash them and send them in to school. We need them for an outdoor art project later in the year.



PTFA

The Parents, Teachers and Friends Association of Christ Church First School



4.30-6.30pm **Wednesday 30th November**

Tickets available NOW from the school office!

Friday 16th December

(last day of term) is our

"Crazy Christmas Jumper Day"

Prizes for the best boy, best girl, best adult.