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Message from Mrs. Collett,

Wow, what a busy month we have had at Churchwood! All classes have enjoyed sports days over the last few weeks of term. The children displayed our Churchwood Superhero values superbly taking part in the different events with abundance of cooperation, resilience, ambition, respect and independence. It was so wonderful to see! It was a real shame that we weren't able to invite parents on site for these, but we hope you all appreciated the photographs sent home of your child taking part.



All classes have also been able to go on trips or enjoy experiences across the last few weeks of term to further enhance and support their learning. Year 3 enjoyed a trip to Battle Abbey, walking the historic battle fields and finding out about how the Normans were victorious. Year 6 enjoyed a beautiful day at a local PGL centre where they completed a range of exhilarating outdoor adventurous activities, including raft building, the zip wire, problem solving and tackling the trapeze. Year 2 were able to visit the local orchard to enhance their recent learning on growing things and Year 5 had a marvellous muddy day in the nearby woods with Project Rewild and finally Year 4 enjoyed their drama day taking part in a Tudor Play!



This year has certainly been challenging for all, with class bubbles having to shut and pupils having to self isolate. We were so desperately sorry that our Year 2 pupils have not been able to return to school before the end of term due to this. We hope you have enjoyed the live lessons and remote learning opportunities we have provided for you over the last week. I particularly enjoyed our virtual disco! We know that it is not the same as being with all your friends at school, but we hope you have appreciated taking part in these. I am very hopeful that with the progress with the vaccine, the lockdown measures will remain lifted and we can return to a sense of normality in September.



Over the last week our lovely Year 6 pupils had their leavers' party and enjoyed a barbecue, dancing and games around a Hawaiian theme. This morning they led our Year 6 Leavers' assembly brilliantly. Although we would have loved to be able to see parents in person, it was so lovely to see so many of you join us for this occasion via Teams. I am sure you were all as proud of the Year Six pupils as I was.

Finally I would like to thank you all for your fantastic support over the last year. I hope you all have restful, enjoyable summer holidays and I look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Monday 6th September for the start of the academic year 2021 ~ 2022!



With very best wishes, Mrs Collett



FAREWELL YEAR 6



Today we bid a fond farewell to our marvellous Year 6 pupils. You have been an excellent year group, who have worked so hard and have made tremendous progress throughout your time at Churchwood.

A special mention goes out to our fabulous Head Girl **Lexi** and Head Boy **Zayn** – your names have been engraved on our Churchwood Champion salver trophies, you have acted as brilliant ambassadors for the school and excellent role models for your peers and younger pupils!

Thank you to Mrs Eastes and Mrs Walsh for arranging today's assembly. We know that all our Year Six pupils will go on to do amazing things and we look forward to hearing all about these as you move on to your respective secondary schools. We will always be proud to call you Churchwood Pupils – Good Luck Year 6!

Goodbye & good luck



SEPTEMBER UNIFORM

Please ensure your child comes back to school in September with appropriate uniform in particular footwear. Children are permitted to wear black shoes or trainers but these must not include logos. Please also ensure your child is wearing black or grey trousers NOT leggings.

On PE days children should wear a white or burgundy Churchwood T-shirt; black shorts or jogging bottoms and black trainers or plimsolls.

We have a large amount of second hand uniform which we are happy to give to families where needed.



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YEAR 6 PGL TRIP



Year 6 had a blast completing the different PGL challenges on their recent trip!

YEAR 2 ORCHARD TRIP

The children got to see the different types of apple trees that are growing. They made wishes, tying coloured ribbons to the trees to help them have a healthy growth with lots of fruit. It was a lovely afternoon for all concerned and they even managed to dodge the rain!



INTERNET SAFETY OVER THE HOLIDAYS

We are conscious that pupils are likely to be spending more time online over the holidays. It is very important that you continue to practice internet safety measures with your child.

Always make sure that you or another adult are in the room with them when they are online and aware of what they are accessing. Check your parental controls on your devices to ensure they can only view suitable material. Please also remind your child about the online safety measure that we teach at school, if they have any concerns they should – Zip it (not share information about themselves with anyone they don't know) Block it (if anyone tries to contact them they don't know) and Flag it (tell an adult about it so it can be dealt with appropriately).



ZIP IT
Keep your personal stuff private and think about what you say and do online.



BLOCK IT
Block people who send nasty messages and don't open unknown links and attachments.



FLAG IT
Flag up with someone you trust if anything worries you or if someone asks to meet you offline.



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Our Wonderful Learning!

Year 1 ~ Mini Grey Class

At the start of term 6, the Year 1 class were lucky enough to have a day at Hastings sea-front. As part of their topic 'Beside the Seaside', they visited the Blue Reef Aquarium to learn more about all the weird and wonderful sea creatures.

After lunch on the beach, they also walked around the historic fishermen huts and boats to learn more about our towns amazing history.

The sun was shining and all the class had a wonderful day out!



Year 6 ~ Philip Pullman

Aloha from Year 6! Hawaiian themed super fun at the Year 6 leavers' party!



Reception ~ Julia Donaldson Class

In Reception they have been getting really excited about our sports day.



The children have been practising the activities in their outdoor area and they finally got to have the real thing last week!



They have also been really interested in making our own books and then reading them to each other!





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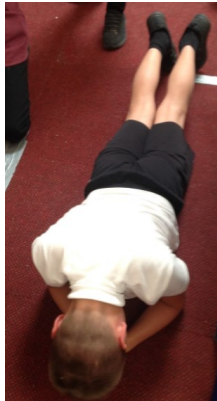
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Year 5 ~ Anthony Horowitz Class

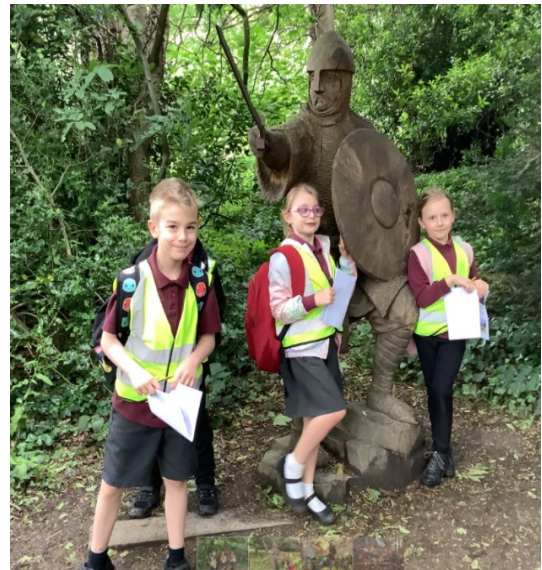
Year 5 have been working hard on their North American Adventure stories and these are now published to a really high standard. They have also completed a range of investigations with negative numbers and are now moving onto looking at Prime and Composite numbers.

As well as this, they have all completed the Get Active Churchwood Challenge over the last couple of weeks with almost everybody beating their own personal 'Bottom Balance' and 'Planking' targets.



Year 3 ~ Roald Dahl Class

Year 3 took a trip to Battle Abbey to find out more about the Battle of Hastings. The children had the most fantastic day where they could share their knowledge with an expert and have a close look at the different weapons used in battle. We took a long walk around the battlefield where we spotted all the different sculptures to tick off our list and to finish off the day we were able to take a look inside Battle Abbey school. Such a brilliant day for all!



Year 4—Michael Morpurgo Class

What a fantastic term Year 4 have had! They have explored non-chronological reports, sound, played a range of team sports and finished with an exciting drama workshop. During the drama workshop, the children spent the day rehearsing and learning about the Tudors – particularly The Battle of Bosworth, Henry VIII and his many wives.

The children had no scripts – it was all about remembering what to say and do! Everyone participated and at the end of the day, they performed a play – “Meet the Tudors.” The children had a lot of fun and were proud of all the new skills and knowledge they acquired.





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2021 / 2022 TERM DATES

INSET Days 1st, 2nd and 3rd September 2021

Pupils return on 6th September 2021 ~ 21st October 2021

INSET day 22nd October 2021

Term 2

Pupils return on 1st November ~17th

December 2021

Term 3

INSET day 4th January 2022

Pupils return on 5th January ~11th

February 2022

Term 4

Pupils return on 21st February ~ 1st April 2022

Term 5

INSET day 19th April 2022

Pupils return 20th April ~ 27th May 2022

Term 6

Pupils return on 6th June ~ 22nd July 2022

INSET day 17th June 2022

Accelerator Reader News

Pupils across Years 3 to 6 have been working hard on our newly established Accelerator Reader Programme.

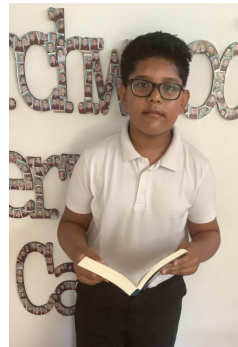
Every time a pupil reads an levelled accelerator reader book they complete an online quiz. This tests their understanding of the book they have read and what they can remember about the story. We are keeping a log of pupils' reading scores on their quizzes at school. All pupils who score 100% on their quizzes go into the weekly Accelerator Reader draw for a chance to win a book voucher.



Well done to Zayn, Year 6, who won a book voucher this month.

We have also had our very first Churchwood Word Millionaire awarded, well done to Jasmine in Year 6!

I wonder how many more children will be able to added to our millionaire word readers' wall?! Keep up the reading at home over the summer holidays everyone!



Staffing News

It's that time of year again where we have to say goodbye to some members of staff.



Mr Gillham our Year 5 teacher will be leaving us at the end of term. Mr Gillham is moving on to work in an Eastbourne school as a Phase Leader.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Gillham for all his hard work over the last four years and wish him all the very best in his new role.

Congratulations to Miss Search our Speech and Language Therapist and Mr Gillham who will be getting married later this summer.

We wish them both a very happy day and a wonderful life together!



Summer Reading

Challenge

Don't forget to sign up for the summer reading challenge with your child. It's absolutely free and all children who complete the 6 reads across the summer will earn a prize! All information linked to this is on your child's Class Dojo page.

Happy Reading!

