December 2021



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Message from Mrs. Collett,

ጵ We have had a brilliant December at Churchwood. \star The children have continued to work hard in their \star classes with their learning and displayed excellent \star learning behaviours across the academy. They have ☆ ☆ ☆ been calm and focused in their classes and their books ☆ \star are filled with some brilliant work. I am so proud of ☆ 対 them all. <u>∽</u> ☆

☆ As always, we continue to place a big emphasis on ★ reading at Churchwood. I was really pleased to be \star able to award some beautiful books to pupils across \star the school in assembly today. These were given to ☆ pupils who have consistently been reading regularly at ☆ home over the last term. It was great to see so many 🖕 children awarded these. Reading is so very important 😓 as I always say to the children it opens up so many ★ different worlds to you! Thank you to all the parents ☆ who have been supporting their children with this. Wext term we have more exciting reading events real planned to share with our pupils to continue to ☆ promote love of reading with all!

Over the last few weeks of term, pupils have been rehearsing hard for their Christmas performances, learning lines, lyrics and the Makaton signs to share with you all. Although we weren't able to invite you in, I hope you have been able to enjoy watching the recorded performances with your families. I am sure you will agree with me that all your children definitely sparkled and shined in them! A big thank you goes out to all the Churchwood staff who worked hard with the children in rehearsals to prepare them for the performances and also to our central marketing team who assisted with editing and uploading them to our website.

Today we enjoyed our special Christmas themed whole school assembly together and the children enjoyed taking part in the 'Big Fat Churchwood Christmas Quiz'. The children loved taking part in the different challenges and had a lovely time. The firm favourite was the 'Do you wanna build a snowman?' round! A great game to play as a family at home too over Christmas!

Finally I would like to wish you all a happy and healthy Christmas. Enjoy the holiday break and I look forward to welcoming you all back on Wednesday 5th January 2021. With very best wishes, Mrs Collett

CARE HOME CHRISTMAS CARDS



Pupils across the academy once again made Christmas cards for a local care home in St Leonards. They thought carefully about what messages they would write to the different residents. The school council members voted to give a hamper for the pupils too. Well done Churchwood pupils, your kindness and empathy has made put a smile on lots of people's faces!

COVID-19 REMINDERS

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Please see information below linked to the current government guidance.

If your child has any of the following symptoms, please ensure that you take your child for a PCR test and that they isolate whilst awaiting the results.

- A persistent cough
- A high temperature
- A loss of taste or smell

If a household member tests positive for Covid-19, all other household members should be taken for a PCR test. In the interim, pupils are permitted to come to school whilst waiting for their results. They should self isolate if their PCR is positive.

To help keep our staff, pupils and school community safe, please ensure you wear a mask when on the school site unless exempt.

Thank you for your support with this.





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2021 / 2022	TERM	DATE
REMINDERS		

Term 3

INSET Day 4th January

Follow us on

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Pupils return on 5th January ~ 11th

February

Term 4

Pupils return on 21st February ~ 1st April

Term 5

INSET Day 19th April

Pupils return on 20th April ~ 27th May

Term 6

INSET Day 17th June

Pupils return on 6th June ~ 21st July

UNIFORM REMINDER

Please ensure your child comes to school in the appropriate uniform in particular footwear. Children are permitted to wear black shoes or trainers but these must not include logos.

Pupils should ONLY be wearing our Churchwood PE kit on their PE lesson days. This should be plain black jogging bottoms or shorts, a white or burgundy t-shirt and their Churchwood school uniform jumper or fleece.

Please also ensure that all jumpers, cardigans and fleeces are clearly labelled to ensure that if they are mislaid, they easily make their way back to your child.

STAFFING NEWS

Today we say a fond farewell to our Year 5 teacher Miss Hughes. Miss Hughes has worked at Churchwood since 2019 after starting with us as an NQT. She is leaving us to move on to work in a larger primary school in a nearby town. We wish Miss Hughes all the very best with her new adventures and thank her for all her hard work whilst being with us at Churchwood.

We are very pleased to welcome Mr. Harry Brown a to the Churchwood team from January 2022. He will be teaching the Year 5 pupils and is really looking forward to getting to know all our children and families in the new year!

~ Dates for your Diary ~		
19th January 2022	Year 6 Parents' Meeting	
	Year 6 SATS at 3:30pm	
14th January 2022	Year 2 Parents' SATS Meeting at 2:15pm	
8th February 2022	Internet Safety Day	
28th ~ 4th March 2022	Book Week	
3rd March 2022	Dressing up as a book character day ~ more information to follow on this.	
8th March ~ 1st April 2022	Science Week at Churchwood	

Internet Safety Reminder

We have been teaching our pupils about the importance of esafety and learning about how we can keep safe online using the SMART rule. Ask your child about their learning on this at home. If you need support with setting up your device's security settings, please let us know. We are happy to help!



IS FOR SAFE

Never give out personal information to strangers on the internet. Personal information includes things like your home address and your birthday.

IS FOR NEVER MEET

Never ever meet up with a stranger you have met online unless a parent or guardian has said it is ok and is present. Never, never, never, never, never

IS FOR ACCEPTING

Don't open emails from people you don't know, they could contain viruses. If you get a strange email from a friend and you think they might have a virus make sure you let them know!

IS FOR RELIABLE

Don't believe everything you read online, check your facts! Did you read it on a reliable website like the BBC? Are other websites saying the same thing? Does it tell you where they got the information from?

IS FOR TELL

If you have an online safety problem, make sure you tell someone. Tell a parent, guardian, or teacher as soon you can.



