

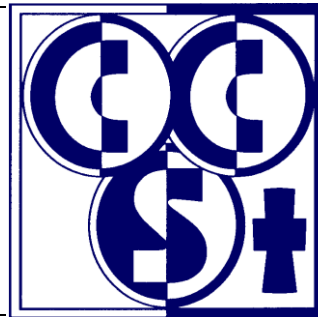


# CHRIST CHURCH

Church of England Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025  
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Dear Parents

Welcome back to school! I hope that you all had a lovely summer break. It was great to see everyone return on Tuesday. Our new Reception class children are settling well and I would especially like to welcome all those new children (and parents) who are joining us for the first time this year. Should you have any concerns then please do not hesitate to contact either your child's class teacher or myself.

## What's on Next Week....

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Y6 Robinwood Residential (depart at 10.30am)
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Y6 Robinwood Residential
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Y6 Robinwood Residential
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2.45pm Celebration Assembly

## Some Reminders...

THIS SCHOOL IS  
**NUT FREE**



THANK YOU  
for keeping our school safe!

### Nut Free School:

We have an increasing number of pupils in our school who have nut allergies. Anaphylaxis (allergic reaction) can occur as a result of **digestion**, **inhalation** or **any other contact** with nut-based products. For safety reasons, **all nut-based products have been banned from the school premises.**

Please **do not** send your child into school with any nut-based product for packed lunch or for a special birthday treat – this includes products that may contain traces of nuts.

### Potential allergens could include the following:

- Spreads, e.g. chocolate spread
- Cereal bars
- Some types of biscuit containing nuts
- Condiments, e.g. satay sauce
- Cakes containing nuts
- Some snack pots containing nuts

We also ask that, if your child consumes any nut-based product before school, they wash their hands thoroughly and rinse their mouth before entering the school grounds. We understand that these measures may seem extreme; however, we want to ensure the health and safety of **all** our pupils, and some of the pupils with the allergy are severe enough that even the slightest of contact with nuts could cause a severe and potentially life-threatening reaction.

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**Due to the severity of the allergy, if any pupil is found with a nut-based product the school will confiscate it.**

If children require snacks at break-time, please follow the guidance below on Healthy Snacks. Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 pupils will continue to be provided with a piece of fruit, daily.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter.

### **Guidance on Snacks**

Your child may bring in a snack to eat mid-morning. Please be aware that at Christ Church we are proud to be identified as being a 'Healthy (Nut Free) School' that is committed to healthier living and learning, and that we follow the guidelines provided by the School Food Trust.

The School Food Trust suggests that healthy snacks could include:

- Fresh fruit
- Dried fruit without added fat, sugar or salt (e.g. apricots, sultanas, raisins, dates)
- Vegetables (raw such as carrots, peppers, cucumber or celery)

The guidance states that the following foods **do not** meet government standards:

- Dried fruit or vegetables with added fat, sugar or salt.
- Cereal bars
- Processed fruit bars
- Any type of confectionery e.g. chocolate products, sweets
- Crisps and crisp like products e.g. tortilla chips, potato sticks, puffs, crackers, corn chips, prawn crackers, potato wafers
- Japanese rice crackers
- Pretzels
- Bombay mix
- Nuts
- Cakes, buns, pastries
- Biscuits include all types: sweet biscuits: digestive, rich tea, ginger nuts, flapjacks, shortbread, and wafers. Savoury biscuits: cream crackers, breadsticks, oatcakes, matzos.

In addition, the guidance notes that the following drinks **should not** be brought into school for break times:

- Flavoured water
- Squash/Cordial
- Soft drinks including fizzy drinks
- Flavoured milk.

### **Celebration Assembly**

Each Friday (2.45pm – 3.30pm) we will host a rewards assembly as part of our worship. If your child has recently been awarded any certificates or trophies this is an ideal occasion for us to share in their success. Certificates and trophies will be presented during the assembly. Please name the items and send them into school with your child.

### **PE Kits**

Can I please ask that children have their PE kit in school at all times and that in order for a child to be excused from Physical Education lessons ideally a Doctor's note should be provided (pupils cannot excuse themselves from the lesson!) Children will get changed for PE in school.

### **Outdoor Play Equipment (Trim Trails):**

Parents should be aware that during the school day children are timetabled during break times to use the equipment which is manned by a member of staff. Children cannot use the equipment without a staff member present.

**As a school we accept no responsibility for any child using the equipment at the start and end of the school day – you are therefore asked to supervise your children if they are using the equipment at these times.**

### **Looking Further Ahead...**

#### **Meet the Teacher Parent Workshops**

This year we will run class workshops for all parents. The purpose of the workshop is for parents to develop an awareness of National Curriculum year group expectations in Mathematics and English along with an outline of the curriculum that your child will be covering this academic year and how best you can work in partnership with your child's teacher to help them.

The workshops will run on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September** at the times detailed below:

- 3.30pm – 4.00pm Year 1 and Year 2
- 4.00pm – 4.30pm Year 3 and 4
- 4.30pm – 5.00pm Reception Class, Year 5 and 6

The workshops will be held in your child's classroom.

In the meantime please find attached a copy of the **Big Picture** detailing all that your child will be learning about this half term.

#### **Admissions to Primary & Secondary School - September 2026**

It's time to apply! If you have a child due to start Reception Class next September or a child moving to high school it's time to apply! The deadline for Year 6 pupils is 31<sup>st</sup> October and for admission to Reception class it's 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026.



**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY EAST**

Do you have a child starting primary school in September 2026 and living in Lancashire?

**Closing date: 15 January 2026**

You must apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

Apply for a school place now by scanning the QR code or visit [lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, please check the guidance on our website, or call 01254 220747.

**HAVE YOUR SAY** Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces) and click 'school admission policies'.

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**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SECONDARY**

**APPLY NOW!**  
at [lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

**School and Academy places September 2026**

You must apply if your child is in their last year of primary school (year 6) from September 2025.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

**SCHOOL transport**

If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, search 'school transport' at [lancashire.gov.uk](http://lancashire.gov.uk) or scan the QR code.

**CLOSING DATE 31 October 2025**

[lancashire.gov.uk](http://lancashire.gov.uk) Lancashire County Council

**Information can be found on our website – follow the link below:**

[Colne Christ Church Admissions Information](#)

There is also a **Local Authority Parents Information Booklet for both Primary and Secondary Admissions** – follow the link below...

[Lancashire Primary And Secondary Admission Information for Parents 2026](#)

### **School Photographer**

The school photographer will be in school on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October to take individual and family portrait photographs. Further details will be sent nearer the time.

### **Parents Evening**

Our Autumn Term parents evening will be held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. Please save the date! **Further details about how to book an appointment will be sent nearer the time.**

### **Data Collection Forms**

All children have today come home with a Data Collection Form. It is vital that these are completed, signed and returned to school as soon as possible, **even if there are no changes**, to ensure that our records are kept fully up to date. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

### **Privacy Notice:**

Under the GDPR act all schools must inform parents and carers that they hold personal data about each pupil explaining how we intend to use this. A copy of this privacy notice can be found on our school website (address above) under 'Newsletters'. Should you require a printed copy then please contact Mrs Robinson in the school office.

### **Online Safety Newsletter:**

Online safety for children is crucial and something that, as parents, we can often feel bemused by. Each month our partners at Knowsley City Learning Centres prepare an update to help guide us through this. Please take a moment to have a look at this months newsletter which is attached.

This months topics include information on:

- Coverstar (Tik Tok alternative)
- The Online Safety Act
- Information on a Online Scam Quiz for 9-13 year olds from ChildNet
- AI
- Roblox

### **Worship:**

This half term in class worship we will consider the Christian Value 'Generosity'. This will link to our harvest celebration which will be held in Church on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October. Additionally, with Reverend Andy and David we shall learn about the Bible considering why it is considered such a special book; that it is in fact a library of books; it can be considered to be a book of instructions and the Story of Christ. We shall also learn about Creation, The Fall and some of God's followers as we begin to explore the Old Testament.

### **And Finally...**

I hope that this gives you a flavour of the many things that will be happening this half term. Most importantly we want to work with you. If you have any questions or concerns then as always please do not hesitate to contact with us.

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