

The Christ Church News



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Our value this term is: **PERSEVERANCE**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year, and a very warm welcome back to all our families. I hope you had a restful and joyful Christmas break, and that the children return feeling refreshed and ready for the exciting term ahead.

Class teachers are sending home welcome back letters outlining key information for their year group, as well as knowledge organisers to help support learning. A reminder that the class pages on the website are a great source of information.

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership. It truly makes a difference, and we value everything you do to help make our school the vibrant and caring community it is.

Best wishes.

Mrs Pope

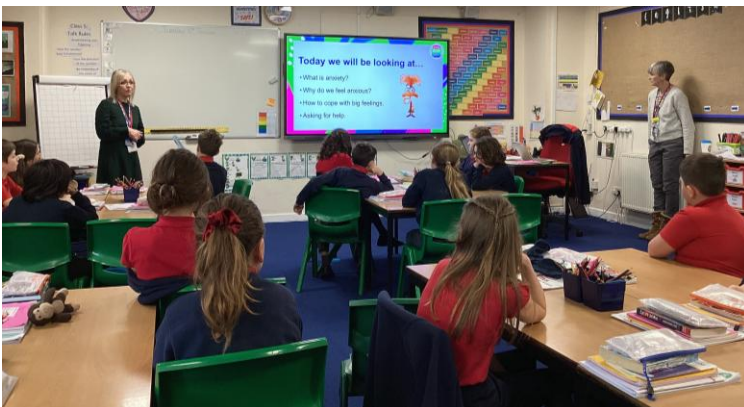
Diary Dates 25-26

Date	Event
13 th January	Y6 visit to Mandir
15 th January	PTA meeting 7pm at school
29 th January	Y2 Polar workshop – see separate letter sent
30 th January	PTA Quiz – information to follow
6 th February	PTA school disco
13 th February	PTA sponsored pancake flip
16 th -20 th February	Half term – School closed
23 rd February	INSET day – school closed for children

27th February	PTA Wine Tasting (adults only!)
5 th March	World Book Day
12th March	Y4 'In the Net' - information to follow
20 th March	Red Nose Day
24 th March	Y2 lead Easter Service at Church 10am Parents' Evening – booking information to follow
25 th March	Parents' Evening – booking information to follow
26 th March	Y2 Sandfield Farm trip – information to follow
4th July	PTA Summer Picnic

Young Minds Matter

Year 3 and Year 5 were visited by staff from the NHS Young Minds Matters team. They took part in a workshop where they discussed the emotion of anxiety and how this is a normal emotion that everyone feels at some time. They discussed the various ways that this emotion can make us feel and shared techniques to help resolve it. These included calming activities, talking to a trusted adult or friend, or even sitting and having a chat with a pet or favourite teddy!



Families First Partnership

Families in Partnership newsletter January 2026



Welcome to the Families in Partnership Newsletter for January 2026 - supporting families with SEND

This newsletter shares the latest updates, news and developments in and around the county. We are covering topics you tell us are important.



Latest SILAP board meeting summary

For the New Year, the SEND and Inclusion Local Area Partnership (SILAP) board are keen to give updates on their meetings. Here Kirsten Harrison, Director of Education and Helen Ford, Deputy Director of Integrated Commissioning who both co-chair the SILAP board provide a summary for young people and their families of the last meeting.



Money and financial support – New Year round-up

As the new year unfolds, managing finances can feel challenging for families with children who have SEND. Gloucestershire's Local Offer and Glosfamilies Directory bring together listings of grants, advice, and budgeting tools to support you throughout 2026 and beyond.

Attendance

Well done to EYFS and Year 1, our top attenders this week: 98.3% attendance!

Attendance matters, moments count:

**That moment they found a new best friend queuing up for pudding.
That time fractions suddenly clicked.
That day cavemen came to live in the playground.
That science lesson when a mento and cola 'rocket' sprayed everywhere.
Breaking a school record on sports day.
When they helped catch the escaped rabbit.
Helping to build props for the school play.
When they baked cupcakes that were actually edible (just).
Performing that encore at the school concert.
From the first day of term to the last, each moment, big or small, makes a big difference to a child's wellbeing.
Positive, real, life-changing moments.
And in a school year there are hundreds of them.
What a difference a school day makes.**

Community Notices

All Together Service

Church for all the family

Sunday 11th January

join us for fantastic pastries from 10am, service starts at 10:30!

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