



# CHRIST CHURCH C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to welcome you all back from the summer break. My name is Mrs Akin and I will be teaching your child in Year 1. I hope you all enjoyed the holidays and are well rested and that you are your children a ready for another exciting academic year at Christ Church.

Throughout the year, we will be using themes to teach our skills-based curriculum. Our running themes for the Autumn term are **Teddy Bear's Picnic** and **Toy Story**. We will be covering a range of cross-curricular subjects within this topic.

|           | Teddy Bear's Picnic<br>Autumn 1     |    |                                            |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|----|--------------------------------------------|
| Science   | Seasonal Changes                    | RE | Christianity - Why did Jesus tell stories? |
| Geography | Our local area (trip to local park) | DT | Making flapjacks                           |
| Maths     | Place Value                         |    |                                            |

The second half term we will be reading **Traction Man** by Mini Grey and our theme will be '**Toy Story**'. We will be covering the following subjects:

|         | Toy Story<br>Autumn 2        |     |                                           |
|---------|------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------------|
| Science | Plants                       | RE  | Christianity – What's in our school name? |
| History | Toys of the past and present | Art | Mark making with different types of media |
| Maths   | Addition & Subtraction       |     |                                           |

We will also have weekly computing, music and PSHE lessons. Our PE days are **Tuesday and Thursday**. Therefore, it is imperative that the children have the correct PE kit these days. It is advisable that your child brings a clean PE kit into school on **Tuesday** and takes it home on **Thursday** if it needs to be washed. PE kits must include a white t-shirt, shorts and jogging bottoms, a jumper or a fleece and a pair of plimsolls and trainers. Also, it is particularly important that all the PE kit is **clearly named** including the bag it is in.

### Reading

It is very important that your child reads to you as often as possible, preferably a minimum of 5 times a week. Please acknowledge that they have read to you by signing their reading records. Your child should bring their book and reading record into school **daily**. We will be checking reading records and changing books each week so always place them in their bags ready to be changed.

### Homework

Spelling lists will be given out each week. Please read the words with the children and encourage them to practise spelling the words from memory. Spelling tests will be on Friday's, unless they clash with a school event (e.g. a trip).

Thank you in advance for all your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Akin

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