



# ST CHRISTOPHERS ACADEMY

Summer Newsletter - 16/05/2025

*A Community of Ambition*



## A message from the Head of School

*As the sunshine lifts our spirits this Mental Health Week, let's take a moment to care for ourselves and each other!*

*A kind word or a short walk in the sun can do wonders for our mood.*

*Let's keep supporting one another and spreading positivity.*

*Wishing you a restful, uplifting weekend!*



*Our whole school attendance for this week is 96.4%  
Our target is for whole school is 98%  
Classes with the best attendance this term are Kestrel & Jay*

### Reporting absence



*Your child's absence must be reported to us by 8:55am*

*This can be reported via Studybugs, email or phone*



### HEAD TEACHER'S AWARDS 06/05/25

**Robin - Camille/ Ava W**  
**Sparrow - Teodor**  
**Wren - Cairo**  
**Swallow - Michael**  
**Chaffinch - Amari**  
**Goldfinch - Yahya**  
**Starling - Ivy**  
**Kingfisher - Abigail**  
**Jay - Teddy**  
**Tawny owl - Ronnie**  
**Kestrel - Iliyah**  
**Red kite - Maisie**  
**Buzzard - Louisa**  
**Golden eagle - Nashir**

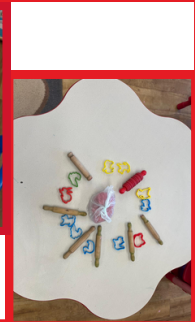
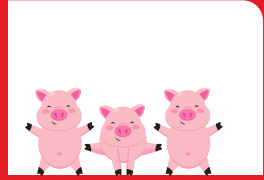


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## nursery & pre-school

This week in Robin class, children have been learning the story of 'The Three little pigs'. They listened to the story, learning new vocabulary and repeating the key phrases. Children were very excited to make the Pig and Wolf masks and role playing the story. Children were very busy building houses with straw, sticks and bricks. Robin class have been practicing writing their names independently. They have also been learning about the quantities 'more' and 'few' and practicing the sound for letter 'Y' in phonics.



## Reception



The children have been learning about 2D shapes going into different arrangements. We have been practicing how to put shapes like circle, square and rectangle into rockets, trains, stars and number blocks.

Reminder: All reception children will be coming through the big gate (next to the office) after half term. Please read the letter send out regarding this transition. We have been practicing with the children for a smooth transition during afternoon sessions.





# Year 1

*In science class we have been learning about plants. This week we did some fieldwork and explored which wild flower is most common around our school. We found out that we have hundreds of daisies!*



# Year 2



## **Year 2 Celebrates Mental Health Awareness Week**

*This week, Year 2 has been taking part in Mental Health Awareness Week with a variety of activities. The children explored the importance of looking after their mental wellbeing, shared ways to manage emotions, and discussed how to be kind to themselves and others. Through stories which included 'Ruby Finds a Worry', art, and mindfulness exercises, Year 2 learned how small actions can make a big difference to their mental health. It's been a wonderful week of reflection, connection, and positivity!*



# Year 3



*Year 3 have been working on lots this past week. They have been learning what a compass is and how we can navigate with them to help us get around. They have been learning about inventions that were made during the Victorian Era, such as the camera. They have even been learning about how much sugar is in our drinks and made a chart to display this.*





# Year 4



This week year 4 have been getting out into nature! We started the week with science on the field; identifying trees and plants in our local area. On Tuesday, we spent the afternoon focusing on ways to look after our minds; we did colouring while listening to music, guided meditation and went for a calming walk and talk around the school grounds. On Wednesday, we held our own year group sports day where the children competed in their houses at eight different sports. We have really enjoyed being active to support our mental health this week.



# Year 5



**ITS GAME TIME!!**

This week we in year 5 are attending a GAA blitz that is going to take place in Harpenden. Year 5 have trained extremely hard to get to where they are. We here at St. Christophers are so proud of their achievements over the last few months.

**GO TEAM!!**



# YEAR 6



**WOW! What a week!!** We are so proud of the year 6s this week. They have worked incredibly hard through their SATs this week. It is a time full of nerves but allows them to show off all of their learning.

**Well done year 6!**

We finished off our week with an exciting trip to the cinema! All of the children enjoyed going to see "A Minecraft Movie!" and they may have enjoyed a piece of popcorn or two!!

Mrs George and all of year 6 want to take this moment to thank all of the parents and all of the staff who were involved in supporting us through our SATs!





### Classes

- Nursery(Robin)
- Reception (Sparrow & Wren)
- Year 1(Swallow & Chaffinch)
- Year 2 (Starling & Goldfinch)
- Year 3 (Jay)
- Year 3(Kingfisher)
- Year 4 (Tawny owl & Kestrel)
- Year 5 (Red kites)
- Year 5 (Buzzard)
- Year 6 (Golden eagle)

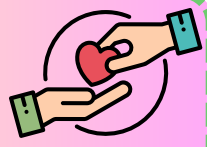
### PE Lessons

- Every Monday
- Every Tuesday
- Wednesday/Friday
- Monday/Tuesday
- Monday
- Friday
- Wednesday/Friday
- Tuesday/Thursday
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### Reading Breakfast

You are invited to our new reading breakfast to read with your child between 8:40-9:10am. Dates are as follows;

- Yr1 20/5/25
- Yr6 22/5/25



Thank you everyone for Donate £1 on wearing Pink day for Ellie!  
We're pleased to say we have collected **£137.20**

### Letters/Reminders sent this week:

We no longer use parent mail to communicate, all contact is made directly via our new system delivered straight to your inbox (and soon the MCAS App)

- Sports day letter to KS1/KS2 parents
- Transition day letter to Reception parents

**Paper forms and letters always available via the school office**

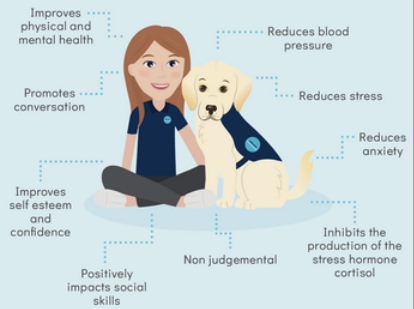


As it is Mental health week is going on, i am here to listen to all of you. If you're upset, sad or happy please do come to see me in the office. I'll be very happy to see you.

Stay Happy!  
Mr Torran



### The Benefits of the Human-Animal Bond



### Baby & toddler group week-4

It's so lovely to see the children coming to our Baby & toddler group and explore in different area i.e. role play area, reading area etc. with so much fun and smiles.

Thank you so much to Miss Woolridge for her help.

See you all next Friday with some new faces.



### Stay in touch



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### Keydates:

20/05/25	8:40-9:10am	Y1 Reading Breakfast
21/05/25	All Day	Drama workshops Yr 1 & Yr2
22/05/25	8:40-9:10am	Yr 6 Reading Breakfast
22/05/25	1:30pm	Year 2 visit from the Fire Service

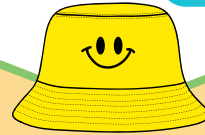
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Year 2 are having their Music lesson outside on the field and they had an amazing time with the teachers in the sunshine.



Thank you to the kind parent who donated this book to the school library! It teaches us about caring for dogs and being respectful of their space.



As we all are wishing for more sunny days, Mr Torran has a message for you to bring your hats with labels on and apply the sun cream before coming to the school. Have a lovely weekend!



An interactive workshop for special families

**SENSATIONAL**

Disability is a form of diversity, not something that needs to be 'cured' or 'fixed'

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May  
1:30pm - 4pm  
Wigmore Church, Crawley Green Road, Luton, LU2 9TE

OASIS PCN eQuality Primary Care Network

A huge thank you to our Friends of SCA groups for purchasing us brand new chrome books! They have just been delivered and we cannot wait to get them set up and ready for use. We are so grateful 😊

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**  
**ST CHRISTOPHERS ACADEMY**  
**GLOW IN THE DARK DODGEBALL**

**CLUB RUNS: FRIDAYS FROM: 3.30PM – 4.30PM**  
**FOR: YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6**  
**DATES: 6<sup>TH</sup> JUN, 13<sup>TH</sup> JUN, 20<sup>TH</sup> JUN, 27<sup>TH</sup> JUN, 4<sup>TH</sup> JUL**  
**11<sup>TH</sup> JUL & 18<sup>TH</sup> JUL**  
**PRICE: £38.50 WHEN ALL DATES BOOKED (£5.50 PER WEEK)**  
**OR £6.50 PER WEEK FOR PAY AS YOU GO**

Scan the QR code for a quick taster of our  
 Glow in the Dark Dodgeball sessions →

**HOW TO BOOK**  
 FOLLOW THE LINK OR SCAN THE QR CODE  
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**Girls Only Dynamos**

Bursaries

Calling all 8 - 11 year-olds!  
 Come join a Dynamos Session!  
 A fun introduction to cricket!

Visit:  
[dynamocricket.co.uk](http://dynamocricket.co.uk)  
 for more info!

**FREE Mindfulness Course**  
 for Parents & Carers

Introducing mindfulness in 6 online sessions

Open to ALL Parents & Carers of BEST students, this course provides a taste of mindfulness, exploring key themes and practices to support you in your everyday life:

- ♥ Improve your sense of wellbeing • cultivate calm and self-compassion
- 🧘 Reduce stress and anxiety • learn to manage thoughts and emotions skillfully
- 👤 Be more present and effective • live life more intentionally, less reactively

Tuesday lunchtimes **12.15 - 1.30pm**

Taster session: **June 3rd** (all welcome to try, no obligation)  
 5 Course sessions: June 10th • 17th • 24th • July 1st • 8th

**REGISTER HERE**  
 email BEST Mindfulness Coach Will George  
[wgeorge@bestacademies.org.uk](mailto:wgeorge@bestacademies.org.uk)

Places are limited and offered on a first come, first served basis.

Watch the new BEST mindfulness VIDEO:  
[bestacademies.org.uk/mindfulness](http://bestacademies.org.uk/mindfulness)

**BEST Primary**  
**English Conference**  
*The Importance of Reading and tips for teaching Writing in the Classroom*

Friday 27th June  
 09:00-14:30  
 Pix Brook Academy  
 Cost: £30 per delegate

Key note speaker: The award winning and Amazon number 1 bestselling author,  
**Adam Bushnell**

Workshops delivered by The English Hub and Pen Green Centre

To book your place please visit  
[www.bestteachingschool.org.uk](http://www.bestteachingschool.org.uk)

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 BEDFORDSHIRE SCHOOLS TRUST  
 Education Services & School Improvement

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 Knowledge Schools Trust

**Pen Green Centre**  
 for children and their families

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**ST CHRISTOPHERS ACADEMY ART CLUB!**

A friendly club where children make, build and create wonderful artwork to take home and treasure.

Mondays 3:30 – 4:30pm  
2<sup>nd</sup> June – 7<sup>th</sup> July (6 sessions)  
Open to children in Years 2 - 6  
£45.00 – including all materials  
Bookings open Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. Please visit:  
[www.bookwhen.com/loveartandcraft](http://www.bookwhen.com/loveartandcraft)


A new project every half term, exploring lots of techniques and processes

Improves fine motor skills, creativity, confidence and practical problem solving

Lots of support and encouragement from our friendly professional tutors

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**BEDFORDSHIRE BALLERZ FOOTBALL ACADEMY**

**GIRLS TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTRE**  
Partnership with Flitwick Eagles FC (U8 to U15 2024-25)

Venue - Flitwick Football Centre MK45 1BA  
Day - **Every Thursday** term time starting 5th June  
Time - 6.30pm to 7.30pm  
Age groups - Year 3&4, Year 5&6, Year 7&8, Year 9/10  
Surface - Astro pitch  
Cost - £5.00 per week \*termly payment

Book your place now through our online system -  
<https://creativesportscoaching.co.uk>

Beginners welcome alongside more experienced players with pathways and links into Flitwick Eagles Girls and Beds FA Girls Emerging Talent programme



Contact details  
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**MAY 2025 MOST-NEEDED ITEMS:**

We are currently in need of:  
CARRIER BAGS (new or used but clean & excellent quality)



INSTANT MASHED POTATO  
TINNED CARROTS  
CARTONS OF FRUIT JUICE  
TINNED TOMATOES  
SPONGE PUDDINGS  
TINNED MEAT MEALS

**THANK YOU! THE FOODBANK TEAM**

DROP OFF POINTS AT ASDA, MORRISONS, SAINSBURY'S, TESCO EXTRA & MORE



**Friday 30th May 10am to 2pm**

**VENUE**  
Flitwick Football Centre MK45 1BA

**2025-2026 SEASON**  
U6  
U7  
U8  
U9 JPL\*

**\*JPL Trials for Under 9's**  
Central Venue fixtures every Saturday morning from September



**ACADEMY OPEN TRIALS 2025/26 season**

To book a trial go to <https://creativesportscoaching.co.uk/>



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