



Our school value this half term is "Generosity"

'God loves a cheerful giver'

2 Corinthians 9.7

Notices



**DISASTERS
EMERGENCY
COMMITTEE**



If you are preparing a shoebox for the Samaritans Purse Christmas Child Appeal, please note that these must be returned to school by Monday 5th November in order to ensure their safe passage to children in need. Please follow the instructions in the leaflet very carefully. Thank you.

Indonesian Appeal

On Thursday 18th October we will be raising funds for Indonesia in the light of the disastrous events which have occurred. Children may come to school on Thursday dressed in their **own clothes** in return for a donation to this appeal. Thank you.

Attendance

Well done to the 154 pupils who have achieved 100% attendance this half term. The children concerned will receive a certificate. As a school we have achieved 98.2% attendance this half term. Well done!

Harvest Service in Church & Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you for coming along to the Harvest Service on Friday and for supporting our Macmillan Coffee Morning afterwards in school. A total of £208.00 was raised on the day. We very much appreciated your donations of cakes.

Christmas Dinner—Thursday 13th December

The majority of children in school stay for Christmas dinner. Even if your child would not normally stay for school lunch, but would like to have a Christmas dinner, please just tick that day (Thursday 13th December) on the menu provided and return it to school in a sealed envelope together with payment (Infants are free) so that we have accurate numbers in good time to give to the caterer. Please don't forget to make a note of any allergies or food intolerances your child may have at the top of your menu. Thank you.

School Photographs

The school photographer will be here on Thursday 1st November to photograph family groups. On Friday 2nd November photographs of individuals will be taken. As soon as proofs become available they will be sent home for your perusal. If you wish to purchase photographs, please complete the form provided, or make your selection online. Children should wear full winter uniform (including ties). Please make your order promptly to ensure delivery by Christmas.

SEA LIFE **Ascarium**
Manchester **20th October to 4th November**

Help the Sea Witch find the magic ingredients and claim your treasure. 50% off for up to 5 people by booking online at visitsealife.com/Manchester inserting the Promotional Code: **ASC18**

Forthcoming Events

Dates for your Diary

School Photographs— Thurs. 1st November (*families*) & Friday 2nd November (*individual*)

PHA Movie Night - Thursday 18th October (*see pages 2 & 3*)

INSET Day—Friday 19th October

HALF TERM—Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October

Parents Evening—Wednesday 7th November

School Christmas Dinner—13th December

Junior Pantomime— 19th December

Christmas Pantomime for Juniors at Southport Theatre

The Christmas theatre visit will take place on Wednesday 19th December and the cost per child will be £10.00. **All reply slips must be returned to your child's class teacher by Monday 22nd October.**

CLUBS

Please see our school website for a list of clubs - children will also be given a letter for their appropriate clubs by the teachers leading them.

Half Term

Friday 19th October is an **INSET Day** and school will therefore close at the usual time on Thursday 18th October for the half term, and reopen on Monday 29th October.

Please note that all Tower Wood Deposits of £50.00 are due to be paid by Thursday 18th October. Please send your payment (**cash/cheques made payable to "L.C.C."**) in a sealed envelope marked "Tower Wood". Thank you.

Girlie Night In

On Friday 19th October 'Girlie Night In' will be offering an opportunity to reflect on and take steps to tackle poverty in our community. We will be hearing from Linda Cooper about debt and how we can get support, a representative from the Junk Food Café in Skelmersdale, will be sharing with us their work and mission in the community. Please bring items for the food bank, donations to food bank and Junk food café. See Sarah, Lesley, Jane or Jodie for more information.

Light Night Party

Come along to our annual light party on Wednesday 31st October 5:00pm – 6:30pm in the Ministry Centre then an Illuminating Light Trail around our local area until 7pm. How many treats can you collect? Featuring party food, crazy games, music, crafts and of course plenty of sweets and treats!! Refreshments for adults too. Come dressed up as "The Good, The Brave and The Bold!" Prizes for the best costumes! Pumpkin Carving Competition! Bring your carved and lit pumpkin for judging! Bring a torch and hi-vis clothing if you can. This is a FREE event and everyone is welcome! For more information or to volunteer please see Debs Raynor

Tearfund's Big Quiz Night

Thousands of people and hundreds of churches will be joining in with Tearfund's Big Quiz Night on Saturday 17 November at 7.30 – 9:30pm pm Our young people are organising our exciting quiz night on this same evening . We really hope you can join us . Admission is £5.00 per team member and teams can be up to 6 people. No need to worry if you don't have a team already - we are great team builders ! We will be offering you great snacks and soft drinks to help us raise some essential funds to fight poverty. Bring your friends and your excellent brains! Tickets from the Ministry Centre office or from Jane Lake 07711 066 179

Parent Helpers Association

Movie Night—Paddington 2

Thursday 18th October

Christ Church Ministry Centre



On Thursday 18th October 2018 there will be a PHA Movie Night at Christ Church Ministry Centre from 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Children will be escorted across to the Ministry Centre by teachers.

Although this is a PHA event, the teachers have kindly consented to escort the children over to the Ministry Centre and there will be some school staff present on the night.

Tickets are £5.00 per child, including drinks and snacks (***You must make a note on the bottom of the reply slip if your child has any allergies***). Please complete the slip provided to your child and return it together with payment to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. **Cash or cheques made payable to "Christ Church P.H.A."**

If your child has any allergies please make a note of this at the bottom of the slip

All slips, together with money must be returned in a SEALED ENVELOPE, marked "P.H.A." Please do not send in loose money. Thank you.

For details of our forthcoming events please see the following page and the "PHA" section of the school website.

PARENT HELPERS ASSOCIATION

Forthcoming Events & Activities

Christmas Cards

Thank you for supporting our Christmas Card fundraising and for returning the forms so quickly. We are expecting delivery in early December.

Christmas Stockings

Our popular Children's Christmas Stockings are back again this year. Children can bring in donations for the stockings such as small treats, gifts or toys. **The donations need to be sent into school by Friday 7th December.** The children will then have the opportunity to buy as many goes as they like to win the stocking. Each entry is 50p a go and entries need to be sent into school in a **sealed envelope detailing your child's name, year group and "Christmas Stocking"**. The Christmas Stocking will be drawn on the Christmas Party Day.



Beetle Drive

Beetle Drive is a fast-paced energetic game for families to be held on **Friday 1st February**. Doors open at 5.30 p.m. and Beetle Drive starts at 6.00 p.m. Tickets are £3.00 a pair. Refreshments will be available to buy on the night and there will be a raffle. Every game is a race against time and the first to draw the complete beetle wins a prize.

Save the date in your diary for our ever-popular **Easter Bingo on Friday 29th March**. Doors open at 5.30 p.m. and its eyes down at 6.00 p.m. Tickets cost £3.50 a person and include entrance, Bingo books, an Irish Lottery ticket and a pen. Refreshments will be available to buy on the night and there will be a raffle.



Sponsored Run

Thursday 25th April will see all children compete in a sponsored run. This event will be held during school hours so parents will not attend. Sponsor forms will be sent home before the Easter holidays and all forms and **money raised needs to be returned to school by Friday 26th April**.

Christ Church Summer Social

In a twist this year, our Summer Fair is to be held on **Friday 14th June from 3:30pm until late**. The focus will be on family fun and there will be our fabulous BBQ, various other food stalls, fun games and refreshments. We would hope everyone could join us for a night of entertainment and a get-together with friends, bring a picnic blanket and spend the night with us for a great cause.