



Dates for your Diary

Please check all our key dates on the school website—a reminder of some key dates is below.

Half Term—Monday 17th to Friday 21st February

P.H.A. Cinema Night - Friday 28th February

World Book Day—Thursday 5th March

Aughton Spring Music Festival—Tuesday 24th March (see below for details)

Parents Evening—Wednesday 25th March

Forthcoming School Trips

Reception to Ormskirk Library— TBC

Y4 River Study—Wednesday 4th March

Y6 to Liverpool Philharmonic—Wednesday 4th March

Year 3 & Year 4 to Southport Theatre—Thursday 12th March

Notices

Reception Dress Up Day

Children in Reception class may come to school on **Friday 14th February** dressed up as what they would like to do when they are older e.g. fireman, nurse, vet etc.

School Performance Results

We are delighted that for a second year running we have received a lovely letter from the **Secretary of State for Education** for the excellent progress of our children at the end of Key Stage 2 in 2019. These results reflect the hard work of all of our children and staff in school and the support we receive from all of our families. Whilst we always know that academic results are only one part of our school and any child, we wish to share this special achievement with you. I would like to thank all of the children, staff and families for their continued hard work and support in ensuring our children do as well they can in English and Maths.

Whilst we are all proud of such an achievement, it is the wonderful work and attitudes of our children in everything they do every single day that make our school such a special place to be.

Please see our letter on **page two** of this newsletter and a link to the results area of our website.

D Kennedy

Headteacher

We Are A Reading School

At Aughton Christ Church we strongly encourage all the children to read and to develop an enthusiasm and passion for books. As part of our drive to encourage reading, last week we held our book fair in school and we would like to thank everyone who supported this event. A grand total of £1325.42 was raised which means that our school has earned £795.25 in rewards to spend on new books for our classrooms and library.

Alongside the book fair, we held a 'design a peg person book character' competition in school. Each child was given a wooden peg and asked to create a peg person based on their favourite book character. We were amazed by the quality and high standard of all the entries and these will soon be on display around school for everyone to see. Our winning entries were designed by:



Freddie Johnson—Reception

Jim Chapman—KS1

Macy Lloyd—Lower KS2

Penny Martin—Upper KS2

We would like to thank all the children who took part in this competition and we are looking forward to seeing the entries for our extreme read competition, which takes place over half term. We also have lots more exciting reading events planned for after half term.

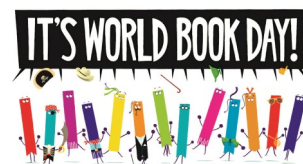
How far can you take your reading?

Running Path

Over the last 18 months we have been working hard to install a running path around the school grounds to support children's health and well being. We are delighted that this Friday work on installing our running path will start. We hope this facility will then be open upon return to school and the children will be celebrating the opening through some active events in school. We will keep you all informed of these once the path is completed. **Please note that on Friday 14th February, all children will be released from the front of school at 3:30pm. Children in Reception and KS1 will be released from the staff room door opposite the staff car park.**

World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March and we will be celebrating this as a school by asking all children to come dressed as their favourite book characters.



Tennis Club—Reception, Y1 & Y2

Please note that this club has been brought forward a week and will now run from **Monday 24th February to Monday 23rd March**. Places will be limited to 20 so if you would like your child to attend, please return the slip with payment as soon as possible. The club will be taking place outside so children may bring warm clothes e.g. tracksuit bottoms and jumpers to wear over the top of their PE kit.

Spring Term 2 Clubs

Please see pages 4 and 5 for a full list of clubs from February to April 2020.

Church Notices

Please see Page 6 for Church notices including in invitation to attend The Big Pancake Party on Tuesday 25th February 6pm—7:15pm at Christ Church Ministry Centre.

P.H.A. MOVIE NIGHT

“ABOMINABLE”

FRIDAY 28TH FEBRUARY

3:30PM—5:30PM

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Letter From Secretary of State of Education



Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards

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Mr David Kennedy
Aughton Christ Church CofE Primary School
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20 January 2020

Dear Mr Kennedy,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on the very high level of progress that pupils in your school demonstrated in the reading, writing and mathematics Key Stage 2 assessments last year.

Your school's results, as published on 13 December, show progress scores of 5.9, 5.1 and 5.1 in reading, writing and mathematics respectively. This means that in terms of the progress your pupils make between Key Stage 1 and the end of Key Stage 2, your school is amongst the top 3 per cent of primary schools in the country.

The Government wants to ensure that every child has the fluency in reading, writing and mathematics necessary to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, which is why I was delighted to see your results.

Thank you for your work in continuing the drive towards higher academic standards, and congratulations again to you and your staff for your commitment and success.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards

[Click here to see our results.](#)

Christ Church Parent Helpers Association



P.H.A. Movie Night

'Abominable'

Friday 28th February 2020

3:30pm—5:30pm

Christ Church Ministry Centre

On Friday 28th February there will be a P.H.A. 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 their teachers. There will be some school staff present on the night as well as PHA helpers.

Tickets are £5.00 per child including drinks and snacks. Please complete the slip below (*or handwritten equivalent*) and return it together with payment in a sealed envelope marked 'PHA Movie Night'. Please send cash or **cheques made payable to 'Christ Church PHA'**.

Children will be released by class from the Ministry Centre. The Ministry Centre car park will be **closed** on the night to ensure the safety of the children exiting the building. Parents and carers are encouraged to leave their cars at home where possible. Thank you.

PHA Movie Night— 'Abominable'

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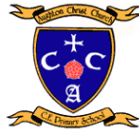
to attend the PHA Movie Night on Friday 28th February at Christ Church Ministry Centre. I enclose £.....
(£5 per child). Cheques to be made payable to 'Christ Church PHA' please.

Allergies/Medical conditions

Emergency contact number/s

Signature

Date



Spring Term Clubs

(Second Half)

All clubs will start week beginning 24th February 2020

(Clubs are subject to change)

Monday	Yoga	3.30 – 4.15	Mrs Nolan (Year 1)
	Chess	Lunchtime	Mr Swift (Lunchtime)
Tuesday	Benchball	Lunchtime	Mrs Frackelton (Year 5&6)
	Drama	3.30 – 4.15	Mrs Chapple (Juniors)
	Spanish	3.30 – 4.15	Miss Fletcher (Year 2)
Wednesday	Choir	Lunchtime	Miss Geeson (Juniors)
Thursday	Maths Club	Lunchtime	Ms Jenkins (Year 1)
Friday	Running Club	Lunchtime	Mr Kennedy (Juniors)
	Cricket	3.30 – 4.30	Mr Kennedy (Year 5&6)



Outside Agency Clubs



Spring Term 2

Dance Talent - 3:30-4:30 pm (Y3—Y6) - Monday 2nd March to Monday 30th March

Tennis - 3:30-4:30 pm (R—Y2) - Monday 24th February to Monday 23rd March

Summer Term 1

Dance Talent - 3:30-4:30 pm (R-Y2) - Monday 20th April to Monday 18th May

Summer Term 2

Team Theme—3:30—4:30pm—Monday 8th June - Monday 13th July

Please note that dates and times may be subject to change

Church Notices



The Big Pancake Party—Tuesday 25th February

6:00pm—7:15pm at Christ Church Ministry Centre

Everyone is welcome for pancakes and games!

Donations in aid of Church Urban Fund for helping to tackle food poverty.



Parking Notice

Towards the end of last year a new pavement was constructed on the sands which was part of the planning requirements. The pavement and the yellow lines in the Ministry centre car park are to ensure the safety of pedestrians needing to access the Scout and Guide HQ, Ministry Centre and our school. Inevitably this will reduce space for parking, particularly as you access the sands from Long Lane. In order to ensure that people with disabilities, those with young children and pushchairs can use the pavement safely please ensure when parking, that you don't mount the pavement. We know it can be hard finding a space to park sometimes but it really helps with access and safety if people avoid parking too near the entrance from Long lane.

We really appreciate your cooperation with this, we want this to work well for all the community.

Kind regards

(Wardens and Vicar of Christ Church Aughton.)