



Newsletter Friday 20th October 2023



Secondary Transfer Application Deadline

Tuesday 31st October 2023

The closing date for parents to submit an on-time secondary transfer application is on Tuesday 31st October 2023. If you or someone you know needs to make an application follow this link for further information.

Have a great half term!

We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 6th November 2023!



ALL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES CAN BE FOUND HERE ON OUR WEBSITE

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ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A SCHOOL PLACE IN 2024?

If your child is currently in Nursery and starting Reception in September 2024, we would like to invite you to a stay and play session where you will spend time in our forest area with your child and get to experience what life is like at Christ Church SW9

Thursday 9th November 2023 @ 2 - 3pm

Thursday 30th November 2023 @ 2 - 3pm

Please book on our school website (christchurchschool.cc)

or give us a call on 0207 735 1343

STAY AND PLAY - BOOK YOUR PLACE HERE

We only have a few places left for our stay and play events. If you know anyone who is looking for a reception place for September 2024 please encourage them to come and join us.



WHAT'S ON FOR FREE THIS WEEKEND and HALF TERM?

Look here to see what activities are on offer for no cost or low cost this weekend. Don't forget to check the organisation's website before you set off.



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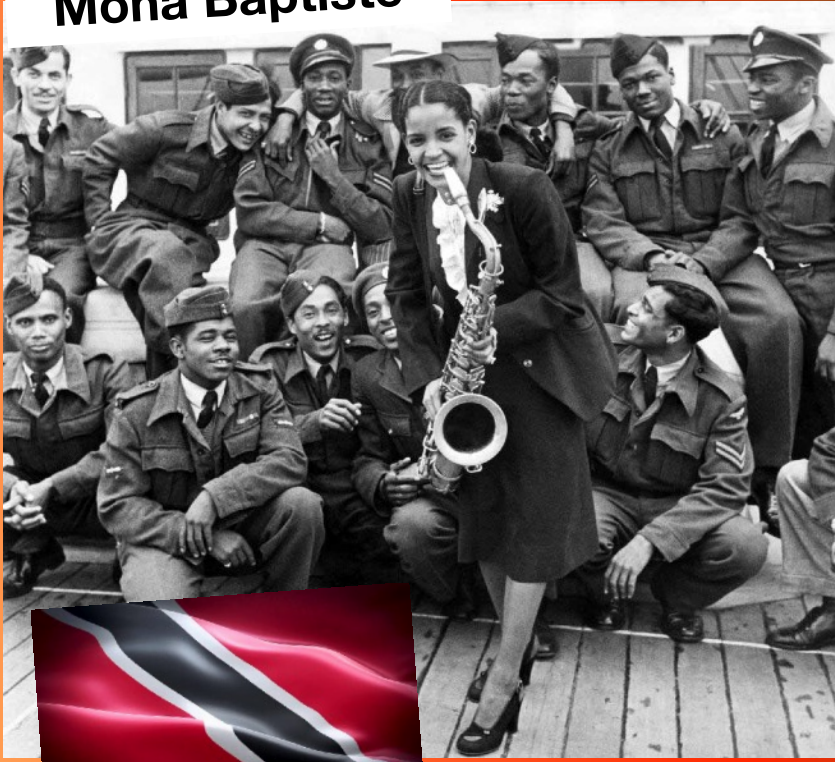
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BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATIONS AT CHRIST CHURCH SW9

We had a great time celebrating and sharing our work with you this morning.
Thank you to all the families that joined us it was lovely to see so many of you.



Mona Baptiste



Mona Baptiste was a Trinidad and Tobago-born singer and actress in London and Germany. She was largely popular from songs such as "Calypso Blues" and "There's Something in the Air". She also acted in multiple musical films.

Born into a well-known family in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, in 1928, she was one of five sisters. Mona Baptiste was 14 when she began singing on the radio and at dances. She migrated to England in 1948 on the Empire Windrush which arrived at Tilbury Docks in Essex, on 22 June, the day after her 20th birthday.

Over the next few years, she appeared in the British music magazine the New Musical Express for events such as signing with Cab Kaye to singing with the Cabinettes, appearing on the television show Coloured Follies, and appearing on the British radio variety show Brandbox in 1949. She also started singing at Quaglino's restaurant and their Allegro to great success in 1950. In 1951 she worked Ted Heath's band and other jazz groups, and recorded her version of "Calypso Blues", a song originally performed by Nat King Cole.

Invited by Yves Montand to Paris, she appeared at top cabaret spot La Nouvelle Eve, and went on to perform in Belgium and Germany, where she was a great success and decided to settle. In Germany, where she had a house in Krefeld, she gained recognition for her popular songs such as "There's Something in the Air" and for her movie appearances.

Baptiste was married to Michael Carle, whom she had met in London; after his death in a car accident in 1958 when their son Marcel was aged five, she retired. In 1972 she moved to Ireland, where her second husband was from, and in the 1970s she tried to make a comeback, which was unsuccessful.

After suffering a stroke, she died aged 65, on 25 June 1993 in Dublin, Ireland, where she had lived for thirty years with her second husband, Liam Morrison.

In popular culture

Baptiste is the subject of a 2022 picture book, *We Sang Across the Sea: The Empire Windrush and Me*, written by Benjamin Zephaniah and illustrated by Onyinye Iwu. Also in 2022, a full-length biography of Baptiste was published, entitled 'What about the Princess?' *The Life and Times of Mona Baptiste*, written by Bill Hern and David Gleave.

BINGO is back!

This time with pre-Xmas sparkle!

When: 7.00pm-9.30pm
Time: Friday 17 November
Where: School Hall
Dress code: Sparkly (not compulsory)

Come along to our PTA CCSW9 Bingo Night!

Bring a drink and some food to share with your friends.

£2 entry and bingo cards sold throughout the evening. Fabulous prizes to be won!

Donations of fab prizes appreciated and can be handed to the school office.



This week's ATTENDANCE

Cedar Class (YR) = 97%
Oak Class (Y1) = 99%
Maple Class (Y2) = 95%
Acacia Class (Y3) = 92%
Mulberry Class (Y4) = 91%
Willow Class (Y5) = 98%
Elm Class (Y6) = 92%

Come along to our Black History event at 3.30- 5.30pm on Friday 20th October in the school hall:

Stalls

This event will be rescheduled. Please keep an eye out in the newsletter after half term for more information.

Let's get together, share, listen, learn, and celebrate this important month.

Everyone welcome!



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Share something special

Please talk to Nikki (07398 631577) or Natalya.

For your information...the school photographer will be in after half term to take individual and sibling photos.

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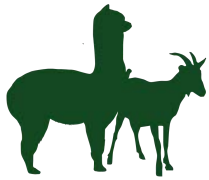
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Wednesday 8th November 2023



Contact us:

0207 735 1343 or admin@christchurchschool.cc

Don't forget to check out the website: www.christchurchschool.cc



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SPOOKY EDITION

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News from The Farm

Happy Spooky Season!

We hope you have been enjoying the chilly October. It has been wonderful seeing many new faces this month and we are really looking forward to getting ghoulish at The Farm over half-term.

- Our **Young Farmers** have been super busy this term, developing team work, communication and animal care skills. Soon they will be preparing for their graduation ceremony and we cannot wait to celebrate our young people!
- **Afterschool Club** has got off to a flying start. They have been exploring our garden area to identify what minibeasts we have and working together to create spaces to encourage more and allow them to flourish.



A lovely natural self-portrait created by one of our Young Farmers



Young Farmer's enjoying the last of the October sun

Upcoming Events

Looking for something fun to do over the half term? Enter a team in our **Scarecrow Competition** to be in with a chance to win an exclusive animal experience! Last few places left, register your team through our **what's on** page on the website!

Halloween is just around the corner, and here at The Farm we are hosting an array of different activities including: a terrifying trail, freaky films, and spooky crafts!

We look forward to seeing you on The Farm soon!

Find out more about us on our website [Vauxhallcityfarm.org](https://vauxhallcityfarm.org)
To Sign-Up to our workshops or learn more about our programmes
email us at Education@vauxhallcityfarm.org

07835 710 486

WE HAVE FLEXIBLE
SPACES TO HIRE:

LARGE MEETING ROOM

SMALL MEETING ROOM

1 TO 1 ROOM



NEWS FROM OUR CHURCH

Christ Church Parish | Parroquia Cristo Salvador

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admin@christchurchbr.org.uk

**English mass:
Sunday at 11am**

**Misa en Español:
Domingo a las 6pm**



HAPPY HALF TERM

we wish everyone at school a wonderful
break and continue to pray for you

PARROQUIA CRISTO SALVADOR

**Primeras
Comuniones
2023- 2024**

REGISTRATE
YA!

8 AÑOS +
Domingos
5pm

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