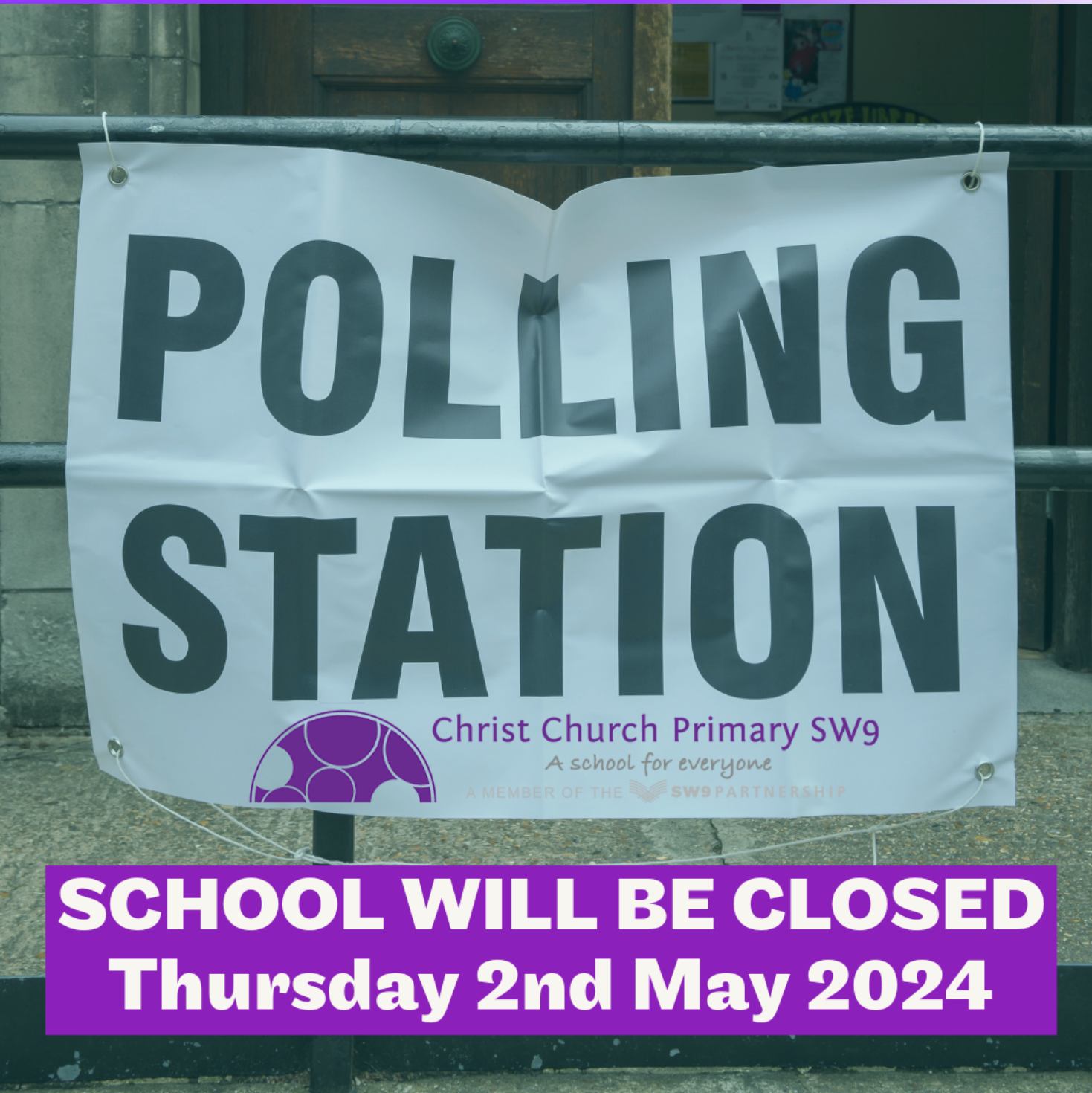




## Newsletter Friday 26th April 2024



# POLLING STATION



Christ Church Primary SW9

*A school for everyone*

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## **SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED** **Thursday 2nd May 2024**

Please don't forget that school will be closed next Thursday for the mayoral elections.



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## FOOTBALL CARDS

Please remember that children should not bring toys or other items from home in to school, including football cards. These items cause a distraction and sometimes even arguments.



If a child has any items that are not permitted in school we will look after them until the end of the day when they can be returned to you or sent home.

*Thank you for your co-operation.*



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## **FREE EVENTS THIS WEEKEND**

Check 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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**SPORTSDAY**

Friday 28th June 2024 from 9.30am

## SPORTSDAY

### A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

Who can remember sports day last year? The rain fell and we had to abandon the fun!

Let's hope this year the weather will be better and we'll have a great morning.

*Please save the date.*

## PROJECT IMPACT

Y5 and Y6 are taking part in Project Impact. The children have participated in anti-gang, anti-drugs and dance workshops. As part of the project 15 children have been chosen to take part in an 8 week basketball programme with the aim of playing in a Lambeth tournament before in June.



## **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

Our children look great in their uniform. Thank you for making every effort to ensure they look smart every day and for continuing to ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform, including PE kit, at all times. To remind you our school uniform is:

### **KS1**

A light blue polo shirt (not shirt)  
A navy sweatshirt with school logo  
A grey skirt/dress or trousers  
Navy school blazer (optional)  
Navy blue or grey tights  
White or navy blue socks  
Black SHOES (not trainers)

### **KS2**

A white shirt (not polo shirt)  
A purple tie (children in Y3- Y6)  
A navy V neck sweatshirt with school logo  
A grey skirt/dress or trousers  
Navy school blazer (optional)  
Navy blue or grey tights  
White or navy socks  
Black SHOES (not trainers)

### **JEWELLERY**

Plain stud earrings are acceptable but should be removed for PE for safety reasons.  
No other jewellery should be worn.  
Nail varnish and lip gloss are not permitted.

### **SCHOOL UNIFORM FOR PE**

A white t-shirt (school logo)  
Blue shorts (not denim)  
Blue jogging bottoms or blue leggings (in the cold weather)  
BLACK trainers (no plimsolls)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO PURCHASE SCHOOL UNIFORM  
PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE**



***Contact us:***

**0207 735 1343 or [admin@christchurchschool.cc](mailto:admin@christchurchschool.cc)**

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# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

# FORTNITE

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First released in 2017, Fortnite has become one of the most popular games in the world. It currently has around 350 million registered players. Developed by Epic Games, it began life exclusively as a 'battle royale' contest, where up to 100 online player characters would fight – with weaponry including rifles, handguns and rocket launchers – to be the last one standing. Today, it features multiple modes which each offer something different (although some modes, such as 'Save the World', are only available on certain platforms).

## IN-APP PURCHASES

Not all of Fortnite is free. Save the World mode, for example, can become quite costly. An in-game currency called V-Bucks is used to buy items such as cosmetics, which are not a necessity to play the game. It can feel like buying them is essential, however – even for adult players. Making sure no payment methods are linked to the game's store is a good idea when children are playing Fortnite.

## REPEAT SUBSCRIPTIONS

Fortnite now offers a monthly repeat subscription which costs £9.99 (or equivalent). This package offers different non-essential benefits every month – including fancy cosmetics, rare weapons, V-Bucks and special bonuses. Signing up, therefore, can be tempting for dedicated players. However, subscriptions cannot be paid for with V-Bucks earned in the game, only with real-world money.

## COMPETITIVE COMMUNITY

Fortnite isn't purely a competitive experience (some modes prioritise cooperation), but the rivalry aspect remains central. Battle Royale is an especially ruthless mode, where the last player or squad left standing wins. Games can become heated, and players' desire to win can often cause excessively aggressive or "toxic" behaviour towards others – via the game's audio chat, for instance.

## POSSIBILITY OF SCAMS

Popular games like Fortnite are often targeted by unscrupulous individuals trying to trick or exploit genuine fans. In Fortnite, scammers have been known to offer children free V-Bucks or vast amounts of V-Bucks in exchange for rare items – often asking the player to click a particular link. These scammers are seeking access to your child's account, personal information and payment details.

## USER-CONTROLLED CONTENT

Some elements of online video games can't be rated for age appropriateness because the developer doesn't have control over them. In Fortnite, for instance, things like voice or text chat, usernames, trades and other player-generated content may not always be suitable for children. It also means that the makers aren't liable for anything a stranger might say to young Fortnite players online.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### STAY AWARE OF SPENDING

Free-to-play games (that is, ones without up-front costs) can still be big financial drains. In Fortnite, for example, the Battle Pass – a set of rewards to improve players' experience in the game – can be either earned through playing or bought with real money (with additional incentives for the latter). With supervision, however, this can be a great lesson in money management for young people.

### ENCOURAGE BREAKS

Gaming sessions can reach marathon lengths, especially when your child is on a winning streak and doesn't want to stop. Sitting in the same position for hours isn't healthy, of course, but it's an easy habit to form. Encouraging young ones to break regularly for drinks and so on will help them stay hydrated, rest their eyes and release some of the tension from competitive gameplay.

### TALK ABOUT TALKING

Communication is key in the squad-based Fortnite modes, and children will quickly realise that talking with team-mates online helps to increase their win rate. It's a good idea, therefore, to chat with your child first about speaking to strangers online, trading, scammers and other potential risks. Remind them that they can always come to you for help if they run into problems online.

### DISCUSS OTHER APPS

Games like Fortnite can lead on to third-party apps (Discord, for example) where players can join a voice, text or – in some cases – video chat about the game. Certain add-ons also let children talk with other players from their local area, which clearly presents a potential risk. When discussing Fortnite with your child, you might also want to ask them about other apps they use while playing.

## Meet Our Expert

Clare Godwin (a.k.a. Lunawolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lunawolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.



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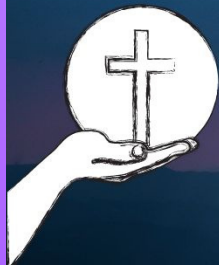
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## Chat & Prayer corner



Join us on Thursdays from 12.30pm to 1.30pm to chat over coffee and biscuits and have prayer afterwards (if you like)  
Starting May 16th 2024

90 Brixton Road, SW9 6BE, Charity Shop Hall

**BUBBLE CHURCH**

9.45am  
Sunday 5th May  
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## This week's Bible verses

- Monday April 29 1 John 1:5
- Tuesday April 30 Acts 14:22
- Wednesday May 1 Acts 15:3
- Thursday May 2 Acts 15:12
- Friday May 3 1 Corinthians 15:1



Daily Gospel Reflection

**PODCAST**

Fr. Steve

"Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action."

1 John 3:18