Christ Church Primary SW9

A MEMBER OF THE SW9 PARTNERSHIP

Newsletter Friday 6th November 2026



Peace is Always Beautiful

The poet Walt Whitman once wrote, *"Peace is always beautiful."* In a world where the daily news can so often feel heavy, these words are a gentle reminder of what truly matters. In school, we strive to cultivate peace and kindness every single day—teaching our children how to listen, care for one another, and resolve conflicts with patience.

This message feels especially significant as we mark Remembrance Day. As we honour the bravery and sacrifice of our Armed Forces, past and present, we are reminded of just how precious peace is and why it is worth striving for. Thank you for partnering with us to model these values for our children and bring a spirit of peace into our wider community.



School Photography Reminder

A quick heads-up that the school photographer will be visiting us next week to take individual and sibling photos!

Please note that these photography sessions are strictly for children currently attending Christ Church. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate non-attending younger or older siblings during the school day.

ALL SCHOOL EVENTS CAN BE FOUND HERE ON OUR WEBSITE



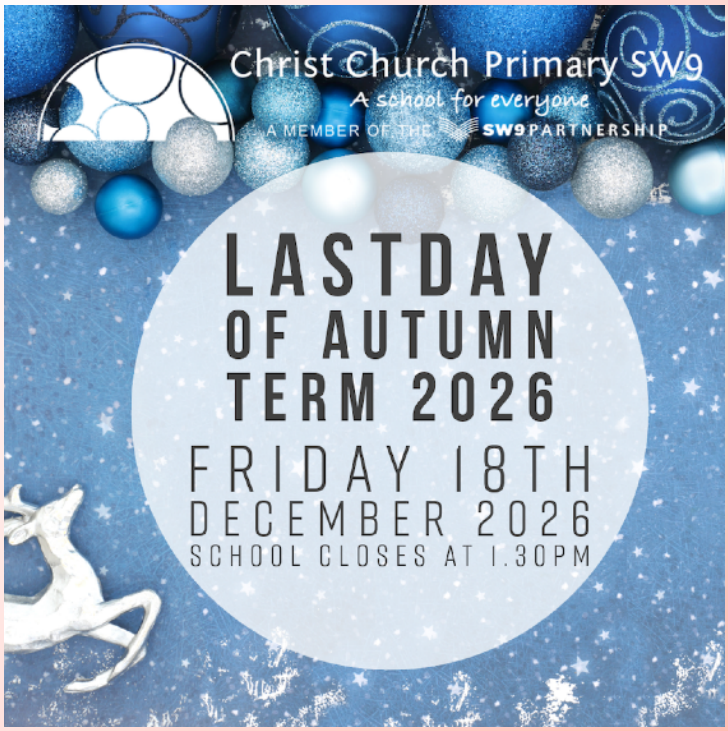
Odd Socks Day is a fun, colourful way to celebrate our individuality and remind us that everyone is unique.

It's a great visual reminder for the children that our differences make us special, setting the tone for our annual Friendship Week focused on kindness, inclusion, and being a great friend to everyone.

Contact us:

0207 735 1343 or admin@christchurchschool.cc

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





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

WALKING HOME ALONE AND END OF DAY COLLECTIONS

At Christ Church, safeguarding our children and keeping them safe is always our highest priority. With that in mind, we've updated our Collection and Walking Home Alone Policy, which is now available to read on our school website HERE. As well as collection procedures, the policy covers essential guidance and written permission requirements for older pupils in Years 4, 5, and 6 who travel home independently, so please do take a few minutes to give it a read!



LATE COLLECTIONS

We completely understand that life happens—traffic jams and work delays crop up for all of us, and we always understand the occasional one-off emergency. However, as our staff have other commitments after school, persistent lateness creates real challenges, so we do need to follow our policy to keep things fair and safe for everyone.

Here is a quick summary of key points about late collections:

- Collection Times - School finishes at 3:30pm, activity clubs at 4:30pm, and After School Club at 6:00pm.
- Grace Period - A 5-minute grace period applies for occasional, unforeseen delays.
- Late Fees - Delays past 5 minutes will incur a fee, please read the policy for more information.
- Club Places - 3 late pick-ups from After School Club will result in the loss of your child's club place.

If you know you are running late, please call us right away so we can reassure your child. Thank you for your support and help in keeping our school day running smoothly!



Does your child start reception class in September OR do you know anyone with a child who would love to see what Christ Church is all about?

We are hosting a Stay and Play session this November, and we'd love to welcome new families to come and check us out!

It's a fantastic opportunity for prospective parents and children to meet our friendly team and join in the fun. Please help us spread the word to friends, family, and neighbours! BOOK HERE

SPACE TO DREAM GALLERY

OPEN CALL

FOR YOUNG ARTISTS AGED 5-16

EXHIBITION DATES: 12th December - 30th January 2027
@ Space to Dream Gallery, Brixton Village

FABULOUS



THE THEME: FABULOUS What does FABULOUS means to you?
Is it a person? A style? A way to be? A colour? A place?
SHARE A VISUAL REPRESENTATION OF WHAT FABULOUS IS TO YOU

Eligible media include, but are not limited to, painting, drawing, sculpture,photography, collage, printing, textile, ceramic, illustration, video and digital art.
No lined paper or creased artwork please.
Artwork selected need to be as seen on photo received in digital submission.

SUBMIT UP TO 3 IMAGES by email or DM
DEADLINE TO SUBMIT WORK FOR CONSIDERATION:
2ND DECEMBER 2026 AT MIDNIGHT

Details needed: Artist's name & age, size & title of the artwork, and a few words about the artwork

Email: info@spacetodreamgallery.org
Instagram DM: @spacetodream.gallery

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOUR ARTWORK!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHURCH

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

This Sunday marks Remembrance Sunday, a time when communities across the country pause to reflect on the importance of peace in a world still affected by conflict and division. As a school community, we are invited to take time to give thanks for those who have served others with courage, compassion and dedication, and to reflect on the values that help communities flourish. During the week ahead, children will explore themes of remembrance, service, kindness, courage and peace through age-appropriate activities and discussions, considering how their own actions can contribute to a more caring and peaceful world.

Across many faiths and cultures, peace is a shared hope and aspiration: Shalom (Hebrew), Salaam (Arabic), Shanti (Sanskrit) and Peace all express a deep longing for harmony, wellbeing and reconciliation. As we reflect together, we are reminded of the words:

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." (Matthew 5:9)

May the coming week be an opportunity for us all to consider how we can promote peace, understanding and kindness within our school, our communities and the wider world. (From Fr Chidi)

