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Autumn Term

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HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

HAPPY
New Year

New Year Resolution

Please can I ask that everyone aims to get to school for 8:40 am as the doors open. The staff are ready to teach from the very beginning of the day, so it helps lessen any disturbance to this if everyone arrives on time.

Dear parents,

Welcome back and a Happy New Year to you all. The children have been very excited to tell us all about Santa visiting them and of course their favourite toys. It sounds as if you have all had a wonderful Christmas and that is lovely to hear.

Congratulations to one of our families who have had a New Year baby girl, I know her big sister is already doing a great job of helping to look after her. We look forward to meeting her soon.

We welcomed a new child to our Class 1 and school family this week. He is already making friends and finding out how special it is to be part of Church Aston.

Class 2 started their swimming lessons on Wednesday. There was lots of enthusiasm with children building their water confidence and extending their swimming skills. We look forward to seeing them continuing to make progress in the coming weeks. We also had a super visit from Stanley who came to talk to the children about water safety. Many thanks to one of parents, Mrs Kilpatrick for helping to organise this. In addition we have given all children a water safety booklet from the Swimming Teaching Association. We hope you find this useful as a prompt to talk about water safety with your children as I am sure you will agree that it is such an important life skill.

Best wishes for 2024

Jenny Griffiths

Welcome

A warm welcome to our new Reception child.



One of our Year 2's welcomed the New Year with a little baby sister. All doing well





CLASS 1

What a super start to the new year Class One have had! We have loved hearing about the Children's Christmas holidays, sounds like they all had a lovely break! The children have done some fantastic writing and drawings about their Christmas breaks, as well as writing about their new year's resolutions.



Our new topic is 'Here we go!' and we are looking forward to finding out about all the different ways we can 'go' including in planes, trains and even space rockets!

Subtraction as Partitioning

There are kangaroos.

kangaroos have babies in their pouches.

kangaroos do not have babies in their pouches.

How many kangaroos do not have babies in their pouches?

Represent this problem on a ten frame



In maths this week, Reception have been subitising amounts and matching them to the correct numeral.

The year 1 group have been looking at subtraction as partitioning. We have talked about the whole amount being at the beginning of the equation and this is the inverse of addition.

In phonics Reception have started learning Set 2 sounds, ay (may I play?) ee (what can you see?) igh (fly high) ow (blow the snow) and oo (poo at the zoo).

For this half term only our PE days will be Wednesday and Friday instead of Monday and Friday. Please can the children come to school in their PE kits on Wednesday and Friday and not Monday. It will be back to normal next half term. Thank you!

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you next week.



Rewarded for settling into life so well at Church Aston.



STAR OF THE WEEK

CLASS 2



A happy new year to everyone! It has been wonderful back in school and the class have been very excited about the new classroom layout. Also, as part of our topic 'Here we go!', I have recreated the solar system in the classroom and the children are busy trying to name the different planets. The children were amazed to see the size of the sun compared to the earth. We have started to look at our new text Vlad and the Space Race.

The year 2 children have been applying their two-digit number addition skills in maths. We have been very impressed at the way they have partitioned the numbers, added the tens and then the units. Mrs Griffiths even checked they can do this as a mental calculation too!



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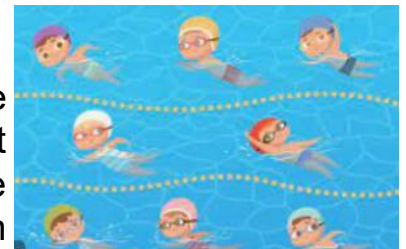


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As we are swimming for the first five weeks, we will not do PE on a Monday, but we will continue to do a session on Friday and for this session the children can come to school in their uniform and get changed in school.



Rewarded for having a wonderful start to the new term.

STAR OF THE WEEK



Important Dates

17th Jan – Class 2 swimming (every Wednesday until 7th Feb – last session)

8th February – whole school trip to Enginuity, further info to follow

12th to 16th February – half term

19th February – PD day

20th February – first day back to school



CHETWYND DEER PARK
5K FUN RUN
& WINTER WALK

Sunday 25 February 2024
PARK OPENS 9.30am

5K FUN RUN STARTS 10.30am | CHILDREN 11.30am
Entries to race & park are online only via QR CODE

FREE TO NEWPORT SHOW 2024 MEMBERS | DOGS ALSO WELCOME ON LEAD

THIS WEEKS WINNING TEAM IS

**YELLOW
TEAM**



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

The online admissions application process is now available at www.telford.gov.uk/admissions.

The following deadlines apply this year:

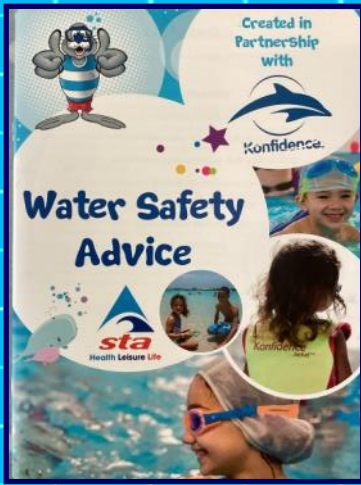
- Applying for Reception Year school places to start in September 2024 (starting school for the first time) - **closing date 15 January 2024**
- Applying for Infant to Junior school (Year 2 into Year 3) places to start in September 2024 (current Year 2 pupils) - **closing date 15 January 2024**
- If a child has an Education, Health & Care Plan the closing date is 31st October 2023 for all applications.

IMPORTANT PARKING NOTICE



The Village Hall car park will be very busy on the afternoon of Thursday 18th January, and the Church car park will be unavailable. As a result there will be tape across the entrance to the Village Hall car park however parents can still park in the Village Hall car park to pick up from school - parents can remove the tape and park. We have been asked if parents could pick up as quickly as possible on that day.





WATER SAFETY ADVICE

Celebrating Success

REWARDS OF THE WEEK

Well done to all the children that received an award for Marvellous Mathematician, Wonderful Writer, Hand Writer of the week, Reader of the Week or Breakfast Club Superstar. Keep up the hard work.



Class 1



Class 2

Celebrating Success

Mathletics



BRONZE



SILVER



GOLD



EMERALD



PLATINUM