



# Year 5



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the six-week break! We hope you have enjoyed some time to rest and recuperate for another exciting year ahead. This year, we welcome Miss Sally Harvey to our team at Christ Church; Miss Harvey is very much looking forward to getting to know the children and is already working closely with Miss Maudsley to plan lots of enjoyable activities for our young learners!

Should you have any concerns or questions with regards to your child's learning at any point, please do not hesitate to contact one of us, either by popping in before/after school or making an appointment via the school office; we very much have an 'open door' policy and will always welcome positive and supportive discussions with any parent.

*The Year 5 Team*

# Meet The Team...

## Miss M

Miss M is part of the Senior Team and our KS2 leader. She also coordinates English across the school. Outside of school, Miss M is usually out and about with her two young boys and their chihuahua puppy, Meg!

## Miss Harvey

Miss Harvey joins us, having completed her three-year teaching degree. When she's not busy planning for the children's lessons, she often takes part in triathlons and, like Miss M, also enjoys walking with her dog—Benji.

## Mrs Ticktum (Wed, Thurs, Fri)

Mrs Ticktum has worked at our school for over 10 years now! She wears a number of 'hats' such as leading Smart Moves and she supports various individuals and classes of children. Mrs Ticktum enjoys spending her free time holidaying with her family and walking in Devon and Cornwall.

## Mrs Perrett

Mrs Perrett enjoys spending time with her family and exploring new places (when she's not being 'taxi' for her children!) She is hoping to learn to play the piano so watch this space...!

## Mrs Knowles

Before coming to work, both Mrs Knowles and Mrs Perrett can sometimes be found in the gym! When she gets a spare few minutes, Mrs Knowles enjoys immersing herself in a good crime story!

## Upcoming dates for your diary:

### September

Weds 4th Meet the Teacher—an informal opportunity for you to pop in and say hello; feel free to have a look around the classroom environment too!

Fri 13th Roald Dahl dress-up day

### October

Tues 15th Harvest service (KS1 9.30am, KS2 10,30)

Weds 23rd Meet the Teacher—please use this opportunity to pop in and see us, should you have any concerns

*Fri 25th Term 1 ends*

### November

Mon 4th INSET

*Tues 5th Term 2 starts*

w/b Mon 11th Anti-bullying week

Mon 18th Parent consultation meetings

Thurs 21st Parent consultation meetings

## School Uniform

Christ Church CEVC Primary School has a compulsory school uniform and expects all of its pupils to wear it for the following reasons:

- It shows that the children are all part of the same community;
- It encourages pride in the school;
- It prevents discrimination and ostentatious affluence;
- It reduces arguments at home about what to wear each day;
- It makes recognition of pupils in public places much easier therefore making the pupils safer.

The school uniform for pupils is as follows:

- Navy blue school sweat shirt or cardigan
- White polo shirt or blouse
- Black or grey trousers, skirts, shorts or pinafores – no leggings or skinny jeans
- Black shoes or plain black trainers – all logos and trims must be black
- Blue gingham dress (Summer only)
- Dark socks or tights or plain white socks

*School sweatshirts and cardigans can be purchased from Initially Yours.*

## School PE Kit

The children must also have a school PE kit. This is worn instead of uniform on the days which they have PE. This consists of the following:

- **Plain** navy blue hoodie/sweatshirt
- **Plain** T shirt in white or your child's house colour
- **Plain** navy blue tracksuit bottoms
- **Plain** navy blue or black shorts.

*School PE kit with logo can be purchased from Initially Yours.*



## Discover

This year, 'theme' is transforming into 'Discover', where the learning will become more enquiry based. Our first enquiry will be, "What can we learn from Spanish culture?" This is a computing and geography based enquiry. We will be comparing Bristol with Seville and using IT skills to navigate alongside compass directions. Our focuses this term will be teamwork, the local community and our Christian values focus will be respect, compassion and friendship. On a Tuesday and a Thursday, children will need to wear their sports kit to school as these are the days that they will have PE.

## Homework

Each week in Key Stage 2, the children's homework will alternate between English and maths; this will be given out on a Monday and should be handed in on or before the following Monday. On at least one occasion, the homework will be related to your child's science learning in class. In addition to this, there will be an ongoing creative project for children to complete, due on the last Monday of term.

**Weekly spellings will also be given on a Monday** and tested, in line with National expectations, on *the following Friday*.

Although we will practise various Maths skills every day, we ask that times tables and mental arithmetic is also revisited at home. If you would like some support in ways to approach this with your child, please do ask!

Every child should read **at least 5 x weekly**. To support their understanding of texts when reading and application of skills in writing, we encourage the children to read a range of narrative and non-fiction texts. **Reading records will be collected on a Friday.**