

"Be Strong and Courageous. Do not be afraid for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great week here at Christopher Reeves. It has been very busy with our VE day celebrations on Thursday, Bilkeability for Juniper Class on Monday and Juniper Class attending the Multisport Festival at Harrold on Wednesday. Many of the children also attended the very popular PTA disco last night. Well done to all of the children that took part in these activities and celebrations. The behaviour and attitude of our children was exemplary; each and every one of them is a credit to our school.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our Year 6 children the best of luck for next week with their SATs tests. They have been working incredibly hard to prepare for these tests and we know that they will be brilliant. A little reminder that SATs breakfast will be served from 8.25am and that children should come through the main entrance.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Christopher Reeves Vision and Values

This half term, we have invited Project Touchline into school to work with the children on the school values and vision through sport training. Each week the children will take part in cricket coaching with a qualified coach whilst exploring how our school core values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience play a key part in school, at home and in the community. We hope this children will thoroughly enjoy this experience and gain a deeper understanding of our core values.

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Respect



Responsibility



Resilience

Who can I contact?

If you have any queries about your child and their education, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance. They will be available at the classroom door each day at the start and end of school. If you need to speak with a member of staff about SEND, behaviour or safeguarding, please contact the following members of staff:
 SEND – Mrs Maguire (Juniper Class)
 Behaviour – Mrs Clark (Willow Class)
 Safeguarding – Mrs Bush or Mrs Clark



Celebrations

This week our Attendance Awards go to Year 1. Year 2 and Year 6 with 100% attendance.

The children in the Golden Book this week are.....

Acorns Class – Oscar Sweeney
 Willow Class – Harper-Mae Gilbert and Autumn Burnett
 Juniper Class – Fraya Kirkpatrick and Harry Gorton
 Oak Class – Erin Morby and Ben Chambers

Well done to all of these children



This week at Christopher Reeves...

As part of our VE day celebrations, the children made poppies that have been displayed outside St Mary's church.



Juniper Class took part in a multi-sports festival at Harrold Academy where the children played golf and cricket.



Safeguarding – Online Safety

How to Report Online Harm

internet
matters.org

There are so many apps with different reporting functions, organisations, helplines and more it can be really frustrating for parents to get help. Internet Matters have a really useful page which details some of these organisations and what they can do, how to report specific issues, how to report on many of the social platforms and games and where to go for more help.

You can see all the details [HERE](#).

Dates for your Diary

All dates for the school year can be found on the school website. Please click [HERE](#) to access them.

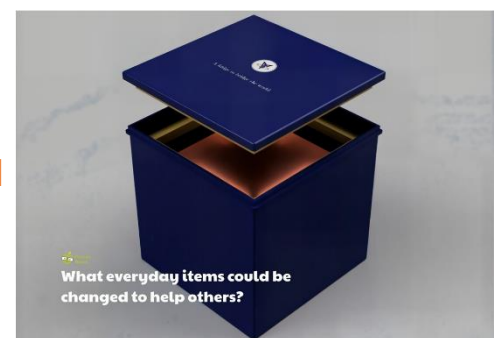


Picture News

The story and question that the children will be thinking about next week is...

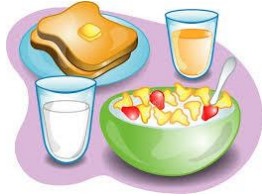
Three teenagers from India have created a salt-powered fridge. Their goal is to support hospitals in rural areas around the world that lack access to electricity.

Question: What everyday items could be changed to help others?



SATs Breakfast

A little reminder that Year 6 children are invited to come in to school next week (Monday to Thursday) at 8.25am for SATs breakfast. If children are not joining us for breakfast, please ensure they are at school for 8.45am.



Voice 21 Conversation Starter...

What is the best part about being a child?



Chellington Federation Event Childhood Anxiety



Bedford Borough's Children's Wellbeing Practitioners are joining us on Wednesday 25th June for a practical and informative session designed to help parents and carers better understand childhood anxiety—how it develops, what keeps it going, and most importantly, what you can do to support your child.

In this session, we will explore:

- What anxiety is and how it commonly shows up in children and young people
- Why anxiety develops and how it can be maintained over time
- The role of the brain in anxiety, with a simple explanation of brain development in children
- Support strategies based on Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) to help manage and reduce anxiety
- Tips for what you can do at home to support your child's emotional wellbeing
- This session is designed to be friendly, down-to-earth and practical, with time for questions and discussion.

The session will take place at **St Lawrence Primary School** at **5.30pm** but is open to all families from Christopher Reeves and St Lawrence Primary Schools. We hope many of you will be able to join us as we know this is a growing concern for many families.

If you are interested in attending, please email admin@crls.org.uk.

Save the Date
Festival of Inclusion
 Saturday 24th May
 11am to 3pm
 Russell Park, Bedford

Lots of Fun Activities
 Inclusive Play Park, Sensory Garden
 and Changing Places Toilet

PARISH OF PODINGTON, HINWICK & FARNDISH

VE DAY 80

BEACON LIGHTING
 THURSDAY 8TH MAY - FROM 6.30PM
 PODINGTON CRICKET CLUB

We will be lighting the village beacon as part of the national day of remembrance of 80 years since VE Day. With fireworks and a military vehicle display, the bar and BBQ will be open from 6.30pm and the beacon will be lit at 9.30pm.

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION
 SATURDAY 10TH MAY - 3PM UNTIL LATE
 PODINGTON UNITED SERVICES CLUB

An afternoon and evening of live music from the 1940s to the present day, featuring local legends the Podington Ladies Choir and the Shanty Men, and guest appearances from The Brookettes and Pure Genius. Afternoon tea with cake sale, children's games, evening food and dancing. 1940s fancy dress encouraged. This is a free event but please register your interest here:
tinyurl.com/2uwvx9wm

A CHANCE TO REMEMBER & TO CELEBRATE

SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

More clothes - more funds for your organisation.
 1 kg = £0.45

YOUR COLLECTION IS ARRANGED ON:

16 MAY
 FRIDAY

FILL ANY BAGS WITH CLOTHING AND BRING THEM TO SCHOOL/ORGANISATION WE WILL COLLECT AND WEIGH THEM

WE ACCEPT

- Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
- Shoes (paired)
- Bags
- Hats & scarves
- Belts
- Fashion accessories
- Swimwear, lingerie
- Jewellery
- Perfumes

WE DON'T ACCEPT

- Uniforms
- Dirty, wet, ripped, damaged clothing
- Traditional clothing
- Duvets & pillows
- Single shoes
- Toys, stationery
- Bric-a-brac & electrical items
- Books, CDs, DVDs
- Workwear
- Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains
- Hygiene items, diapers
- Linen & towels

PLEASE NO UNIFORMS & DUVETS!

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