



Living Our Values

Christopher Reeves Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter – 5th June 2026

“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,

Welcome back to the final term of the academic year! We hope you had a wonderful half term break and managed to spend some great family time together and enjoy some of the great weather we had.

This half term is set to be as busy as ever with plenty of events and school trips for us to enjoy. There are many events that you are welcome to join us for such as Sports day, Summer Celebration and many more. Please check the school calendar for dates of everything going on and if you are unsure of anything, please contact Mrs Mustoe in the school office.

On Friday 19th June we are looking forward to welcoming Dad's into school for our Father's Day celebration. We hope to see many of you there.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Christopher Reeves Vision and Values

This half term, our value is Aspiration. The children will be thinking about what they aspire to be and the journey they need to take to achieve their aspirations. They will also think about what it takes to achieve their goals and how focused they will need to be.

"I can do all things through him who strengthens me." **Philippians 4:13**



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 Laywood-Hill (Willow Class)

Behaviour – Mrs Clark (Juniper Class)

Safeguarding – Mrs Bush or Mrs Clark



Celebrations

This week our Attendance Awards go to Reception, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 5 with 100% attendance.

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

Acorns lass – Hudson Newson and Amy Ciesielska

Willow Class – Thea Scott and Kace

Juniper Class – Aurelia Chance and Jackson Newson

Oak Class – Evan Garrud

Well done to all of these children.



This week at Christopher Reeves...

The children in Willow class had a fantastic time on their school trip to Everdon. They took part in a range of activities to develop their learning of trees and plants linked to their science topic this term: bark rubbing; Hapezome (an ancient Japanese art called 'lead dyeing') where the children hammered juices and fluids out of the leaves to make a pretty pattern on fabric; collecting leaves, twigs, buds, flowers to create a large picture and made dens. They learnt about different types of trees, pollination, life cycles of plants and seed dispersal. They demonstrated good knowledge, teamwork and co-operation - a credit to the school. Thank you very much to the parents who helped out on the trip.



Oak Class have been busy painting their rainforest sculptures.



Attendance

We are always trying to improve our attendance in school as we know that when children are in school regularly, they can get the most out of their learning. This week our school attendance was **95.29%**.

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools about [managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK](#). These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. The NHS also publish advice for parents and carers which can be found [HERE](#). Please refer to this if you are ever unsure or call the school office.

Online Safety – A Practical Toolkit for Families

The Molly Rose Foundation has some wonderful resources for parents including guides and other resources. One of these guides helps families understand who and what may be shaping a child's online world and how these influences can affect mood, confidence and safety. To download this guide and check some of the other resources see the link below.

Link - [Molly rose Foundation - A Practical Toolkit for Families](#)

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...

The 8th June is World Oceans Day. Inspired by seeing plastic pollution while diving as a teenager, Boyan Slat founded The Ocean Cleanup to remove rubbish from oceans and stop more plastic reaching rivers and seas.

Question: How can we protect the oceans?



Father's Day Celebration

Dad's or significant male family members are invited to join us in school on Friday 19th June for a Father's Day celebration. The afternoon will be an opportunity to spend time with your child joining in with sporting activities or some quieter games on the school field. We hope many of you will be able to join us and look forward to seeing you from 2.30pm.



Voice 21 Conversation Starter...

If you could change one thing about the world, what would it be and why?



COLOUR FUN RUN

Put the fun into fundraising!

RUN FOR FUN, FITNESS, AND COMMUNITY!

Please join us for our first PTA Colour Run!

Join in the fun to help us raise funds for the new outdoor learning area.

Friday 3rd July at 3.30pm

Christopher Reeves Playing Fields

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HARPUR TRUST

ASPIRE: NURTURING YOUR POTENTIAL

CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION EXHIBITION

Featuring more than 100 pieces of artwork from primary and secondary schools, and colleges, across the borough

Open 20 June – 4 October 2026
Free entry at The Higgins Bedford, Castle Lane, Bedford MK40 3XD
www.harpurtrust.org.uk/art-competition

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