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Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week I am pleased to announce that Miss Byrne had a baby boy, Thomas, on Tuesday 24th May, weighing 6lb 15 oz. Both mother and baby are doing well.

Mrs Whitmore is now Acting SENCo should you have any issues. She can be contacted via the School Office.

Wishing you all a lovely restful half term.

Ania Vaughan
Head Teacher

Dates for w/c 6th June 2016

Mon 6th June—Inset Day

Tues 7th June—Frist Day back after half term

Fri 10th June—Portugal Day in School

Christ Church Blog

Please visit Christ Church Blog Spot at www.christ-church.blogspot.co.uk. The teachers are now using the blog regularly and parents can also comment on anything that is put on the blog, any comments are read out to the class and are becoming a popular part of the school day. Please do log on and have a look!

Portugal Day

Following our successful Bastille Day celebrations last year, on 10th June 2016 we will be exploring the culture of Portugal on their national day. Children are invited to wear red / green / yellow and will take part in lots of themed activities during the day. If there are any Portuguese speaking parents who may be available to help on the day please could they let the school office know.

Dinner Money Payments

Starting after half-term, payments for dinner money should be made direct to the school, rather than to HCL as at present. If you normally pay cash, or via School Gateway, then you need do nothing different; if you normally pay by cheque, after the half term holiday, the payee will need to be "**Christ Church School**". We hope this will simplify making

Chauncy Summer School

Chauncy are hoping to run another two week Summer School aimed at Reception to Year Six pupils.

The Summer School will run from **Monday 25th July to Friday 5th August 2016**, 9.00am until 3.30pm. The cost will be **£15.00 per child per day**.

A leaflet is attached and is also available from the Chauncy website: <http://www.chauncy.org.uk>

Christ Church Has Talent Auditions

Thanks to everyone who entered this year's Christ Church Has Talent. We've had a record number of entries and auditions will take place on Tuesday 7th June, giving your child lots of time to practice their act over half term.

Please ensure your child brings any music, props, costumes etc to school that day.

The final will take place on Wednesday 29th June at 5.30pm—look out for tickets on sale soon.

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Golden Book

Congratulations to the children that have been entered into the Golden Book this week

Alex D—Lewis Class

Imogen G—Lewis Class

Blake C—Lewis Class

Alfie H—Lewis Class

Finley K—Lewis Class

Isobel F—Horowitz Class

Emily M—Horowitz Class

Isabella M—McKee Class

Anna Fourie—McKee Class

Ellie Luck—McKee Class

Alice A—McKee Class

Jack R—McKee Class

Jessica C—Carle Class

Emily D—Carle Class

Jasper S—Carle Class

Lilly D—Carle Class

Millie D—Carle Class

Sofia C—Carle Class

Finlay S—Tolkien Class

Isobel H—Tolkien Class

Billy HS—Tolkien Class

Hayden D—Tolkien Class

Francesca C—Butterworth Class

Austin S—Butterworth Class

Tyler W—Butterworth Class

Niall P—Butterworth Class

Safety Message from Herts Police

A recent incident involving Hertfordshire school girls who filmed and broadcast a seemingly harmless video of themselves from their home address using an app on their mobile phone has highlighted some of the dangers of geo-tagged data.

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It is believed that unknown viewers of the video not only contacted the girls but also identified the house from where the broadcast was made and potentially followed them.

Police have offered the following advice:

- Think before you broadcast. Remember that your broadcast could be recorded by someone and then potentially shared and uploaded anywhere online—think carefully about what you are sharing.
- Consider your privacy. It's worth considering who you would like to share your broadcast with, you may wish to make your broadcast limited or private. We recommend that you don't share your location.
- Understand the risks involved. Geotagged broadcasts could potentially give someone intent on scaring or targeting you the opportunity to know your exact whereabouts, e.g., which house you are in.
- Know how to disable your phone or camera's geotagging feature. Every smartphone has the geotagging feature automatically set to operate, so you need to put in the effort to prevent it from doing this. It's recommended that you disable the geo-tagging ability and enable it only when you make a conscious decision to use it; it's far better to opt in than to try and remember to opt out.
- Remember it is never too late to tell someone. If anything worries you it is vital to tell a trusted adult or you can chat confidentially to Child Line online or on 0800 1111. Remember you can report to the police via the Child exploitation and Online

Renewal of Free School Meals & Music

Protection Centre: www.ceop.police.uk

On the 1st June, Herts County Council will be running the annual renewals process for free school meals and 100% music.

There will be no need for renewal letters. As with last year, they will only send letters to those families who are no longer eligible for free school meals. If you are no longer eligible funding will cease at the end of term, 22nd July 2016. If you feel you are still entitled then a new application can be made via the following address: www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals.

If you do not receive a letter then you can assume your child will continue to receive free school meals for the next academic year 16/17. The same applies for 100% music. Anyone receiving 50% music will still need to re-apply at www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals from 8th June

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