

## **AUTUMN TERM 2019**

# NEWSLETTER

## Welcome!

Dear Parents, Carers, Governors, Friends, Staff and Pupils,

Welcome to another school year at Christopher Pickering Primary School. I hope you have had a restful summer break, that you have enjoyed quality family time together, and that you are now ready for the start of the Autumn term.

A particularly warm welcome to those starting at school for the first time in various year groups including our new starters in the Foundation Year. It was wonderful to see everybody back and eager to learn on Wednesday. As always, I am indebted to our cleaning and caretaking staff for transforming our school to look like new over the holidays.

We welcome Mrs Buss (Y1) and Mrs Graves (Y1). We are delighted to have them as part of our Christopher Pickering Team. We are also thrilled to be welcoming back Miss Stainton into Y6 after her maternity leave.

I assure you all that Team CP is ready and recharged to do the best for every child and to work within the community for the wellbeing of all. Our aim will remain as always to ensure that we will be 'The best you can be'.

Jane Marson

## Information

#### STAY AND READ Y1,2,3,4,5,6

All parents are invited to **COME AND READ** with your child and meet your child's class teacher week commencing 16.9.19 . Please come via your child's entrance door at 2.30pm. You will have an opportunity to meet the teacher, see your child's immersive learning environment and share a book with your child.

A letter regarding this will follow closer to the date.

#### YEAR 6 SATS

Year 6 tests will be taken in the week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

Please note absence will not be authorised for Year 6 pupils in May for any reason.

#### **MOBILE PHONES**

Please can children leave their mobile phones at home, we can understand that on some special occasions a parent may like a child to have a phone on the way home. If your child has a phone at school it must be handed in to the office at the beginning of the day and collected at home

time. Children are not allowed to have mobile phones on their person or in their bags during normal school hours.

#### DON'T FORGET THE BLOG/TWITTER

Just a reminder to Parents/Carers that the school website is full of useful information and links. The blogs and twitter feed is a great way of seeing what your children have been up to forming an electronic diary of photographs showing special events and classroom activities in the school. It forms a wonderful record of life at Christopher Pickering Primary School.

#### BEGINNING AND END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

At the beginning of the day, if a Parent/Carer wishes to get a message to a member of staff please do come to the reception desk and the message will be delivered. There is also a member of staff on duty on all of the doors. If after school or in an emergency before school a Parent/Carer needs to see a teacher, again please report to the reception desk. Here visitors can be properly signed in and arrangements can be made to speak to staff.

School Dates		
4.9.19	Children return to school	
17.9.19	KS1 Stay and read @2.30pm	
18.9.19	Y3/4 Stay and read @2.30pm	
19.9.19	Y5/6 Stay and read @2.30pm	
14.10.19	3.30-5.50 Parents Evening	
15.10.19	3.30-5.50 Parents Evening	
21.10.19	Harvest Festival	
23.10.19	Halloween Disco for Y1,2,3,4,5,6	
25.10.19	Break up for Half Term	

### **School Holiday Dates**

Autumn Term 2019	School opens	4.9.19
	School closes for half term	25.10.19
	School opens	4.11.19
	School closes for Christmas	20.12.19
Spring Term 2020	School opens	7.1.20
	School closes for half term	14.2.20
	School opens	24.2.20
	School closes for Easter	3.4.20
Summer Term 2020	School opens	21.4.20
	BANK HOLIDAY CLOSED	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
	School closes for half term	22.5.20
	School opens	2.6.20
	School closes for Summer	17.7.20