



# NEWSLETTER

**“A Christ-centred school with a child-centred curriculum through wisdom and love”**

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WB 17th July 2023

What a year! Thank you to everyone for their contributions to our school. For helping in classes, for attending trips, for blessing us with your wonderful children and for supporting the school in all that we do. We have had the most wonderful year and we are looking forward to starting again in September – we already have so many plans!!

## Leavers Assembly 2023 – Awards

**Art Awards – Dixie (SA)** – You are a talented artist and have produced so many lovely pieces this year. You have experimented with different artists and used different materials. There are four pieces of your art work that have been on display in Petworth and have been commented upon by local artists. You really do have a flair for detail and will always push yourself to complete the pieces of artwork.

**Bea (Jap)** – You really have pushed yourself with art this year and found that you have a real love for it. Thank you for the pieces that you have produced and for showing us your talent.



**Literacy Cup – Jessie (SA)** – You are a conscientious and highly motivated learner, setting high expectations for yourself in all areas. You have excelled yourself as a writer; planning your ideas meticulously and showing tremendous maturity in your work. You can write enthusiastically and intuitively for a wide range of audiences and purposes, adapting language and style appropriately. In addition to this, you have made huge strides with your reading, showing clear understanding and engagement across a range of genres and producing a SATs score to be extremely proud of! You always contribute brilliantly to class discussion and can express your thoughts and opinions articulately.

**Maths Cup – Ruben (Jap)** – I have been so impressed by your enthusiastic, hardworking attitude towards maths. You are keen to challenge yourself and never settle for anything less than your best, always striving to reach even greater heights. You show initiative and independent thinking which helps you to solve problems in a wide range of contexts. You are able to make connections within mathematics and you have an excellent understanding of the relevant vocabulary. I have been pleased to see you continue to develop your resilience, confronting mistakes with positivity and a determination to improve your understanding. This hard work has allowed you to achieve highly in assessments, particularly your excellent SATs score. Well done, Ruben! You should be very proud of everything you have achieved.

**Science Cup (Boys) – Alfie (Jap)** – It is your thirst for knowledge which makes you excellent at science, an area of the curriculum you are clearly passionate about. You are curious about the world around you and often share your expertise with the class, articulately explaining scientific theories and interesting facts that you have learnt from your wide research. You are keen to expand your mind and find out even more, evidenced by how you always apply yourself well in our lessons. You pay close attention to detail, building your conclusions upon observations and

data carefully collected during our investigations. Throughout the year, you have consistently shown an excellent understanding of new scientific vocabulary and challenging concepts. Well done, Alfie.

**Science Cup (Girls) – April (SA)** - You are a naturally inquisitive learner and have produced a consistently high standard of work across all areas of this year's Science curriculum. You ask thoughtful questions to further your scientific understanding, can quickly identify links to previous learning and can explain connections between these areas. You possess an excellent level of general knowledge and your contributions to class discussion always demonstrate a high level of understanding. You have shown clear understanding of working scientifically and have proved yourself to be a natural leader in our practical work.

**RE Award – Levi (Jap)** - You are a reflective individual who thinks deeply about the big questions that we are confronted with in RE. I have been impressed by how you articulate your opinions, as well as your ability to evaluate and weigh up evidence thoughtfully. You can build upon ideas as well as successfully challenge others, whilst still remaining open minded. I can always rely upon you to make perceptive contributions during our discussions and you participate excellently in this area of the curriculum. You are able to make links between Bible stories and show respect to other faiths and cultures, as demonstrated in our learning on Islam. You exemplify many of our Christian values in your day to day life at school. In particular, you are a compassionate, generous young person with a commitment to serving the school in your role as Head Boy. Thank you Levi.

**Girls Sport – Harriet (Jap)** - You are a talented sportswoman and it has been wonderful to see you participating in a range of activities this year. You excel in team sports as you have natural leadership qualities, often helping to organise others and clearly communicating what needs to be done in order to achieve a common goal. Particularly in netball, you can be relied upon to encourage and support your teammates, giving thoughtful advice about how to play in the different positions. You also play unselfishly and prioritise the needs of the team above personal glory. Your resilience in the face of adversity is something to be admired. Mrs Copus has praised your performance during the hockey tournament where you gave it your all in goal. You have taken your responsibility as a Team Captain seriously, maturely carrying out your responsibilities around the school. Thank you Harriet.

**Scarlett E (SA)** - You possess natural sporting ability and have shown true talent across multiple sports during your time at St Mary's. You always participate with energy and determination, and through your Team Captain role this year, you have inspired others to do the same. Your contributions to Hockey, Netball, Cricket, Football and Swimming have been exemplary and your performances at the locality 'Talented Athlete' events have been impressive. Your fearless approach to competitions has been noticed by many staff, who have all commented on your perseverance and tenacity as you never give up!

**Boys Sport – William (SA)** - You have demonstrated high levels of ability, stamina and a comprehensive skill set in all areas of sport. Your contribution to sport at St Mary's has been phenomenal; you are keen to challenge yourself and show consistent courage, commitment and determination to succeed. You exhibit natural leadership qualities and have been an inspirational and enthusiastic Team Captain this year. Your performances in Football, Swimming, Hockey, Cross Country and Athletics have been exceptional. You are a real team player and we know that you will continue to thrive and embrace new challenges in your sporting endeavours at secondary school.

**SEN Cup – Darcey (Jap)** - Wow! Well done for the positive attitude that you have shown throughout this year. As you are always keen to get stuck in and have a go, you are an absolute pleasure to have in class. You have worked hard to continue to develop your resilience in the face of setbacks and I have been proud of how you have preserved to make progress. Your increasing confidence has blown me away and it has been wonderful to see you getting enthusiastically involved in the Fairtrade assembly and our production. You have taken these commitments seriously, putting time aside to ensure that you have learnt your lines. You have also developed your skills as a performer, projecting your voice clearly with excellent expression. Thank you for your hard work Darcey.

**Community Award – Jessica (SA)** - You possess a natural capacity for kindness and always go out of your way to help and support others. As a caring member of the local community, you have shared your voice regarding things that truly matter to you. We were impressed by the courage you showed in speaking up at a Parish Council meeting to explain your worries about the A29 road difficulties earlier this year. You have contributed energetically to numerous village events, including the Harvest Fayre and King's Coronation, demonstrating superb organisational

skills. You genuinely care about people less fortunate than ourselves – this was exemplified by your amazing work co-ordinating a shoebox appeal, to ensure that people in Romania had something to open at Christmas. The compassion and thoughtfulness that you show to others is exceptional – thank you for being such a special person.

***Kim Frey Award – Holly (Jap)*** – Thank you for all your help over the year. Your confidence has grown in leaps and bounds and it has been a pleasure to see. You are such a polite and caring person, always patient and courteous whenever you visit us in the office. Your smile and sense of humor always brightens up our day.

***Outstanding Contribution Award – Caleb (Jap)*** – This is a unique award for a unique child who has given something every year that he has been at St Mary's. Caleb is an outstanding mathematician, a brilliant reader, a true scientist, an entrepreneur and he is conscientious in everything he does. His willingness to take responsibility for things is amazing. We couldn't have done the Big Top this year without Caleb and we know that his journey with St Mary's is not over.



### ***Achievements awards***

***Luna (UK)*** – What a gem she is! She has been consistently pleasant in all that she does, she shows kindness to everyone, she is polite, helpful, reliable and worked hard at home as well as at school. A brilliant attitude to learning.

***Teddy (UK)*** – Teddy just wants to learn and always has so much to share. Teddy is kind, polite and so knowledgeable and he has excelled this year.

***Callie (Tha)*** – for inspirational English skills. Callie goes above and beyond with her books that she makes and she has flourished this year with her phonics. Well done Callie.

***Leah (Tha)*** – For progress with your phonics and early reading. You show that you are determined to learn and you keep pushing yourself. Keep being you Leah!





**Hettie (Ita)** - Hettie has gone from being a little shy mouse with the tiniest voice to a girl whose ideas, sense of humour and intelligence is loud and clear! Hettie has ambition, so she quickly found ways to master the stuff she found easy in order to pay greater attention to the more challenging tasks. Also, and rather cleverly, Hettie surrounds herself with peers who she knows will be a good influence on her learning and, as a result, she has excelled herself this year. Hettie's positive attitude, kindness and empathy make her the perfect student...and friend. She's great and any teacher will be glad to have her in their class.

**Elliot (Ita)** - Elliot has been incredible this year! In September, he arrived in Italy class and actually told me he was going to work really hard to achieve good things to improve himself. He certainly fulfilled his promise to me! I am grateful to Elliot because he has been considerate, well behaved, thoughtful and kind not just to the adults but also to his classmates, especially the younger ones in Year 1. They look up to him for comfort and security. Your determination to achieve what you set out to on that very first day has meant that you have exceeded all expectations in Reading, Writing and Maths. Thank you, Elliot, you have been such an asset to our class. Well done!

**Sarp (Ind)** – For his progress over the last year especially in Maths. He is so fluent, accurate and quick with his maths and he should be so proud of his achievements!

**Annabelle (Ind)** – Wow! What a huge amount of progress Annabelle has made in her reading – she has astounded us with her commitment to read and she has moved on and on and stepped up so many levels. She is ready for Year 3 now!

**Freddie (NZ)** - Freddie has made wonderful progress in reading this year, which can be attributed to his determination and perseverance. He has made 2 years of progress on Accelerated Reader during his time in Year 3 and is always very proud of this achievement. Freddie is now reading a wider range of books and is able to talk confidently about what he has read. He has a passion for Science and Nature and is keen to share facts and information with the class. It has been great to see Freddie's confidence increase, meaning that he is always keen to share his thoughts and ideas.

**Victoria (NZ)** - Victoria shows enthusiasm towards everything she does. She always puts 100% effort into everything she does and she never shies away from a challenge. She strives to ensure that her learning is always of the highest standard, and is also incredibly receptive to feedback. Victoria takes responsibility for her learning inside and out of school, completing her homework to a consistently high level.

**Aimee (Ire)** – Aimee has excelled in her learning this year. We have seen her spelling, times tables and reading made huge leaps and, with support, she is continuing to see how important this is. She is more confident in her own ability and we know that she will continue to push herself.

**Charlie (Ire)** – Charlie started in Year 3 lacking confidence and not knowing what he was good at. He has flourished in every area of the curriculum and he has made outstanding progress and his English now has elements of greater depth. He can do anything and we know he is ready for Year 4.

**Thomas (SL)** – You have been awarded for always trying your best across all subjects but particularly in maths where you consistently complete all the activities and some of the challenges. You always listen well in class, putting your hand up ready to answer a question or joining in the discussion. You have tried hard with independent reading using the Accelerator Reader library throughout the year, putting in a good deal of effort. Also, for an excellent attitude to learning throughout Year 4.

**Ivy (SL)** – A well-deserved award for excellent effort in all subjects but especially in English where you always put in a great deal of effort in your writing. You have worked hard in publishing your work and always illustrate it well with significant effort. In class you are always ready to learn and complete all your work to the very best of your ability. You have tried hard with independent reading using the Accelerator Reader library throughout the year, putting in a good deal of effort and completing and passing 22 quizzes. In Science you particularly enjoyed the trip to Pulborough Brooks and showed a great interest in the different habitat studies.

***Caitlin (USA)*** - My first award goes to this young lady as she really has come on so much this year. From the beginning of the year where she found changing teachers, classrooms and having lots of new classmates a challenge, to now where she has a really good group of friends and settled into the class. She comes to us when she is finding something tricky and she has really grown in confidence. She always tries her best and never gives up on a challenge. She has progressed well in all aspects of the curriculum. You have been an absolute pleasure this year, Caitlin, well done!

***Rex (USA)*** - My second award goes to a boy who again never gives up on a challenge, unless there are spiders involved! A boy who came into USA Class quiet and shy is leaving it confident and smiling! He has worked really hard this year to master his times tables and has made good progress in all parts of the curriculum. Well done, Rex E, keep it up and I know you will continue to thrive in year 5!

***Lexi (Mex)*** - This is an achievement that is thoroughly deserved. The issues that Lexi used to face coming into school in the morning seem to have faded as her resilience and confidence has grown. This has given her the strength to take on new challenges and succeed. Lexi has made huge strides with her reading and has produced excellent pieces of writing. She is a kind, friendly and caring member of Mexico class who has achieved so much this year, but will go on to achieve even more. Well done, Lexi.

***Rylee (Mex)*** - Rylee is the epitome of perseverance and dedication. His approach to work is something that we could all learn from as he never gives up no matter how difficult the task in front of him and will always try his very best. This has been evident both in the classroom and on the football pitch throughout the year. He has made excellent progress with his maths and times tables and I'm sure will perform even better next year. A polite and hardworking boy who deserves this award. Well done, Rylee.

***Frankie (SA)*** - You are a hardworking and conscientious member of South Africa Class. Throughout the year, you have been an exemplary role model to your classmates, demonstrating a superb work ethic and consistently positive approach towards all curriculum areas. Your mature and sensible presence provides a calm and reassuring example to others and you can always be relied upon to complete your work to a high standard. Your commitment to SATs revision was exceptional and your excellent results were thoroughly deserved. Reach for the stars – we know you will go on to achieve amazing things at secondary school!

***Taya (SA)*** - You have made huge strides this year and should feel extremely proud of all that you have achieved! You showed tremendous courage to overcome your worries and have demonstrated true resilience on the days that you have found tricky. You are a talented mathematician, willingly embracing opportunities for challenge and explaining your responses to reasoning problems articulately. Your progress in reading has been amazing and your scores in our recent assessments show just what can be achieved through determination and working hard. You now feel confident about collaborating with a range of learning partners and sharing your ideas. Keep up the amazing work – we know you will continue to flourish in Year 6!

***Morgan (Jap)*** - It has been amazing to see your progress this year Morgan and you have taken great strides academically. You have given your all and have shown yourself to be a hardworking individual with great potential. I was impressed by your attitude during SATs where you approached the papers with determination and care. Having completed many revision activities and worked hard in class, you were well prepared to show off just how much you can do. As you have an amazing thirst for knowledge, you can always be relied upon to share interesting facts with the class. Well done for an amazing Year 6 Morgan!

***Lacey (Jap)*** - Wow Lacey! Your growth this year has truly blown us away. You are a responsible individual with the capacity to respond to any situation in a calm manner. It has been wonderful to see you playing happily at break times, showing that you are a good friend. Many members of staff have also commented on your kind and helpful nature. You have applied yourself with enthusiasm in class, leading you to make excellent progress this year. In Maths, your understanding has grown immensely and you have been tackling some tricky problems. I have been pleased to see you persevering when the learning gets trickier, proving yourself to be capable of great resilience and determination. Well done

**Summer Library Challenge** – We welcomed the Library Service into school this week. The Library Challenge starts on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July**. The children have three months (closes on 9<sup>th</sup> September) to read 6 books of their choice and there are lots of prizes to earn as they complete the books. The school is offering 50 dojos for completing it and we would love to see the children's medal and certificate when we start back in September. <https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/-/summer-reading-challenge-ready-set-read>



**Reading over the summer** – Please encourage your children to keep reading over the summer holidays. If you cannot get to the library, the children can still access MyOn over the summer. Please contact the class teacher if your child needs a log in for this.



**Reflection** – A huge thank you to Mrs Smith for putting these together this year. They do make such a difference and have been very reassuring for some of our families in tricky times. Movers and Shakers! - YouTube

**Food this holiday** - See poster attached

**Sports Day** – The results are in for Y3 and Y4:- Green – 470, Yellow – 285, Blue – 265 and Red – 210. Well done to Green team this year.



**Chartwells meal choices** – Please could we ask that when ordering your child's meal choice, you sit down together and choose their preferred option. We have had a number of children refusing to eat what was ordered for them and, as a school, we only receive what you have ordered to reduce food waste.

**2022 /2023**  
July Cut off Dates  
Thur 6/7 for w/c 17/7

**2023 /2024**  
August for September  
Cut off Dates  
Thur 24/8 for w/c 4/9  
Thur 31/8 for w/c 11/9

**2023 /2024**  
September Cut off Dates  
Thur 7/9 for w/c 18/9  
Thur 15/9 for w/c 26/9  
22/9 for w/c 3/10  
29/9 for w/c 10/10

### **Dates for your diary – AUTUMN TERM**

1st and 4th September – INSET Days for staff

Tues 5th September – Children start school. Gates will open at 8.45am.

### **Summer Break**

School is out, summer begins,  
Endless possibilities, adventures within,  
Long hot days, and cool starry nights,  
Fireflies, and swimming in the moonlight.  
Time for camping, and roasting marshmallows,  
Exploring the woods, discovering new follies,  
Making memories, with family or friends,  
Our summer break, never really ends.  
Freedom to play, and laugh, and sing,  
The joys of summer, make our hearts ring,  
Endless moments, of pure delight,  
School's out, summer's in, let's take flight.

***THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL OF THE SUPPORT – ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS!***



## Leavers Assembly 2023 - Awards





## Goodbye and Good luck!

**Miss Harrison getting married in August**



**Mrs Burbidge expecting her second baby in September**



**Mrs Lees is leaving us and going to Africa with charity Life Support**



**Mrs Hubble is leaving us to work in her family business**



**Mrs Benson is leaving us to become a secondary teacher in the Isle of Man**





## Achievements

**Ada B**

Achieved her  
level 2 level  
swimming award



**Florence K**

Received her gold  
and silver awards  
at brownies



**Olly G**

Competed in his  
first ever Triathlon  
and placed first in  
his group.



**Beatrice K**

Achieved her silver  
award at Brownies

**Ronnie (Ind)**

Taking part in a  
football  
tournament

**Jaxon (Ind)**

Taking part in a  
football  
tournament

**Theo (Ire)**

Blue belt in  
Karate

**Daniel (Ire)**

Managers Player &  
Man of the Match

**Elani –**

She achieved her junior silver tap  
medal in the exams and  
congratulations on being chosen  
to dance at Buxton Opera House!  
She doesn't know yet as I just  
received the email 📧 so amazed.

**Alicia T (Mex)**

Became a  
Secondar at Cubs

**Poppy (Ire)**

Moved up to  
Stage 7 in  
swimming.



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# SUMMER SPORTS SESSIONS



**Tuesday 25 July / 1 / 8 /  
15 / 22 / 29 August  
2pm - 4pm**

**Pulborough Recreation Ground**  
Suitable for age 8+

There's no need to book. Simply come  
along and join us for some free sports  
sessions this summer!



**NEIGHBOURHOOD  
WARDENS**



**Pulborough Parish Council**  
*for Pulborough's future*



**Horsham  
District  
Council**



# West Sussex Young Peoples Service - Summer Holiday Programme 2023

Our summer programme has been designed specifically for young people on the autism spectrum (with or without a diagnosis, including those with SEMH needs). Aged 8 – 18. Working closely with our innovative and exclusive partners to provide an excellent choice of activities. Small groups, only 12 young people in each, all fully supported by 3 trained Aspens support staff.



**Short Breaks**  
for disabled children  
and young people

## Locations Include

Worthing  
Chichester  
Arun  
Mid-Sussex  
Crawley

24th July - 18th August

Partners include Wanadoo Street Dance, Yellow Brick Lab, STEM Innovation, Nick Cook Circus, Sussex Forest Activities, FA Qualified Sports Coaches.



To book a place please go to <https://wsxshortbreaks.aspens.org.uk/>

## CHILDREN'S ART WORKSHOPS

**MONDAY 31st JULY 10.30-12.30 AND 2.00-4.00**

### **Kenojuak Ashevak ~ Inspired by Nature**

Kenojuak Ashevak was one of Canada's most famous graphic artists. She belongs to a group of indigenous people known as the Inuits. She spent her life in an arctic village in northern Canada and was even born in an igloo.

Her work was inspired by her surroundings, especially animals in nature. We look forward to exploring Kenojuak Ashevak's artwork with the children. It will be exciting!

Cost £10 to include all materials and refreshment break

To book a space please call in or telephone Arundel Museum on 01903 885866 or email [office@arundelmuseum.org](mailto:office@arundelmuseum.org)



# Arundel Museum

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CHRIST'S HOSPITAL

A SCHOOL LIKE NO OTHER

# OPEN MORNING INVITATION

SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2023

Year 7, Year 9 and Sixth Form Entry



**CHRIST'S HOSPITAL**

A SCHOOL LIKE NO OTHER

## **Co-educational boarding and day school for pupils aged 11-18.**

Christ's Hospital is a remarkable school, it is the UK's leading charitable school and the country's most generous bursary charity. The School was established in 1552 and provides free or substantially reduced cost places to over 630 of its 900 pupils each year – this is more than any other organisation in the UK. Through first-class education and exceptional pastoral support, Christ's Hospital provides each pupil with stability and the opportunity to thrive and fulfil their potential. 98% of pupils go on to university and leavers take with them the confidence and resilience they will need to achieve success at university and beyond and to make a meaningful contribution to society.

Christ's Hospital welcomes day pupils who are within a commutable distance of the School. Day pupils enjoy all the advantages of a top boarding school with access to an exceptional broader curricular programme.

What is so special about Christ's Hospital is the extent of the resources on offer: outstanding teachers and pastoral staff, a broad range of activities including societies like the Medics Group to help with university applications as well as extensive and impressive sports facilities. When pupils start at Christ's Hospital they are encouraged to join in and to have a go, to discover new hobbies, to make use of the wonderful facilities on site and to ensure they get the most out of their time at the School.

Boarding pupils' fees are assessed according to family income, so that it is a child's ability and potential to benefit from a Christ's Hospital education that determines their selection. This results in a social and cultural diversity that enriches our school community and offers our pupils unique opportunities as we prepare them to take their place in the modern world.





# OPEN MORNING BOOKING FORM

## SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2023

If you would like to find out more and to attend our September 2023 open morning please complete the slip below and return it to us (address overleaf) or make a booking online via our website: [www.christs-hospital.org.uk](http://www.christs-hospital.org.uk)

Christ's Hospital will only use this information for the purposes of admission administration. If you would like more information about how we store and use your personal data, please see our Privacy Notice which can be viewed at: [www.christs-hospital.org.uk/privacy-notice](http://www.christs-hospital.org.uk/privacy-notice). Alternatively we can send you a copy of the Privacy Notice – please contact our Data Protection Officer, Christ's Hospital, Horsham, West Sussex RH13 0YP

Name of parent:

Address (where the applicant currently lives):

County:

Postcode:

Email:

(This will allow us to send you a confirmation and details of the day).

Telephone:

Child's Name:

Date of Birth:

Male ☐ M Female ☐ F

Current School:

Are you interested in a day place or boarding place?

☐ D/B

Are you interested in a Year 7, Year 9 or Sixth Form Place:

Year 7 ☐

Year 9 ☐

Sixth Form ☐

Sibling/s whose details you would like retained on our database for future admissions:

Name:

Date of Birth:

Male ☐ M Female ☐ F

Current School:

Number Of People Attending Open Morning:

To ensure you get the best out of the morning, places are limited to each applicant plus two family members.

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## ADMISSIONS TIMETABLE - SEPTEMBER 2024 ENTRY

Non-bursary boarding and day applications can be made throughout the year

### Year 7 and Year 9

Friday 15 September 2023	Deadline for 2024 bursary applications
Friday 29 September 2023	Initial assessment invitations sent to candidates
7, 12 & 14 October 2023	Initial assessment dates (candidates attend one of these)
W/C Monday 6 November 2023	Initial assessment results
Thursday 4 and Friday 5 January 2024	Residential assessment
W/C Monday 12 February 2024	Residential assessment results
Monday 11 March 2024	Deadline for acceptance

### Year 12 (Sixth Form)

Monday 23 October 2023	Deadline for 2024 bursary applications
Saturday 11 November 2023	Initial assessment
W/C Monday 20 November 2023	Initial assessment results
Saturday 2 December 2023	Interviews for selected candidates
Saturday 2 December 2023	Scholarship assessments for selected candidates
W/C Monday 11 December 2023	Offers made
End of January 2024	Confirmation of scholarship awards
Friday 2 February 2024	Deadline for acceptance
Mid-August 2024	GCSE results to be confirmed

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