



**Weekly News**  
**Friday 3rd July 2026**

“St Christopher’s – nurturing independent, highly-motivated and engaged children.”

Dear Parents,

This week, Year 2 have written their own Year 2 news about what they have been doing. We hope you enjoy reading about the week from the point of view of the children and sharing in some of their favourite memories.

**Year Two News**

We had an amazing time celebrating House Day! We loved taking part in lots of different activities, including sports, the parachute game, art, and our favourite – the water challenge!

In the water challenge, we had to carry a cup of water over an obstacle course and carefully pour it into a bucket. It was lots of fun and made us work together as a team.

A huge well done to our Sports Captains, Henry and Martha, who did a marvellous job organising the day, leading the parade, and supporting all of the teams throughout the event.

Congratulations to Dahl House, who were the overall winners! Donaldson House and Kemp House finished in a tie, and Ahlberg House came fourth.

Well done to everyone for showing great teamwork, determination, and house spirit. We all had a fantastic day!

On Friday, we had a brilliant treat from the PTA. We all walked to the cinema in Epsom to watch Toy Story 5. We had the whole screening just for Year 2, which made it feel extra special!

We thought the film was funny, entertaining, and the best Toy Story yet. We also enjoyed some delicious popcorn while we watched. It was lovely walking to the cinema with our friends too.

The treats didn't end there! When we got back to school, we all enjoyed pizza together.

What a brilliant way to end an amazing week. Thank you so much to the PTA for such a wonderful treat!

## Year One News

What a fantastic House Day we had! The children started the day by taking part in races in their house colours. It was wonderful to see how proud they were of the progress they have made in their PE skills throughout the year. In the afternoon, they teamed up with children from Nursery to Year 1 for a carousel of exciting activities, competing together in their house teams. There was a fantastic atmosphere throughout the day, with lots of teamwork, encouragement and fun. A huge thank you to Miss Greenwood for organising such a memorable event!

In English, the children completed their BIG Write, creating their own versions of Lubna and Pebble. Some chose to retell the original story, others wrote themselves into the adventure, while some invented brand-new characters. They challenged themselves to include expanded noun phrases, speech and past tense verbs, and were incredibly proud of the wonderful stories they produced.

In Maths, we have been learning all about time. We began by recapping the days of the week and the months of the year before exploring hours, minutes and seconds. The children were amazed to watch a video of Usain Bolt running 100 metres in under 10 seconds! Inspired by this, we investigated what we could do in just 10 seconds, including taking our shoes off and putting them back on. There was lots of laughter as everyone took on the different challenges.

Our Science and Topic learning have been closely linked this week. The children have continued developing their knowledge of the continents before exploring the different animals, fruits and vegetables found in each part of the world. They enjoyed making links between geography and the natural world, deepening their understanding of the diverse environments across our planet

## Maths Superstars

Congratulations to our Year 2 Maths Superstars who have achieved their maths stars this week. Well done to Lars for achieving his Bronze Star, to Leonardo, Ralph and Arvid for achieving their Silver Star and Polly, Martha and JT for achieving their Gold Star.

This week's lunch time superstar is Martha for spreading happiness and showing wonderful manners in the lunch hall when asking for seconds. Well done Martha!

Top of the leader board this week is **Kemp** House with a superb total of **2,392** House points. Congratulations to **Kemp** house.

### Merit Awards:

Sienna B, Rian P, Ford S, Alecsi H, Andrew L, Nola T, Arvid M, Aathvika S, Georgie GD, Alexander PS,  
William I, Tristan T, J-T C, Tabitha B, Aaron E, Chris X, Dawn F, Ivy R  
All of Saturn class for an amazing Moving-up morning from Miss Speer

### St Christopher's Kindness Certificates:

Henry W—Mateo B—Andrew L

Best wishes

Mrs Grehan

*"St Christopher's – the best possible start through excellence, empathy and endeavour."*

## Heatwave

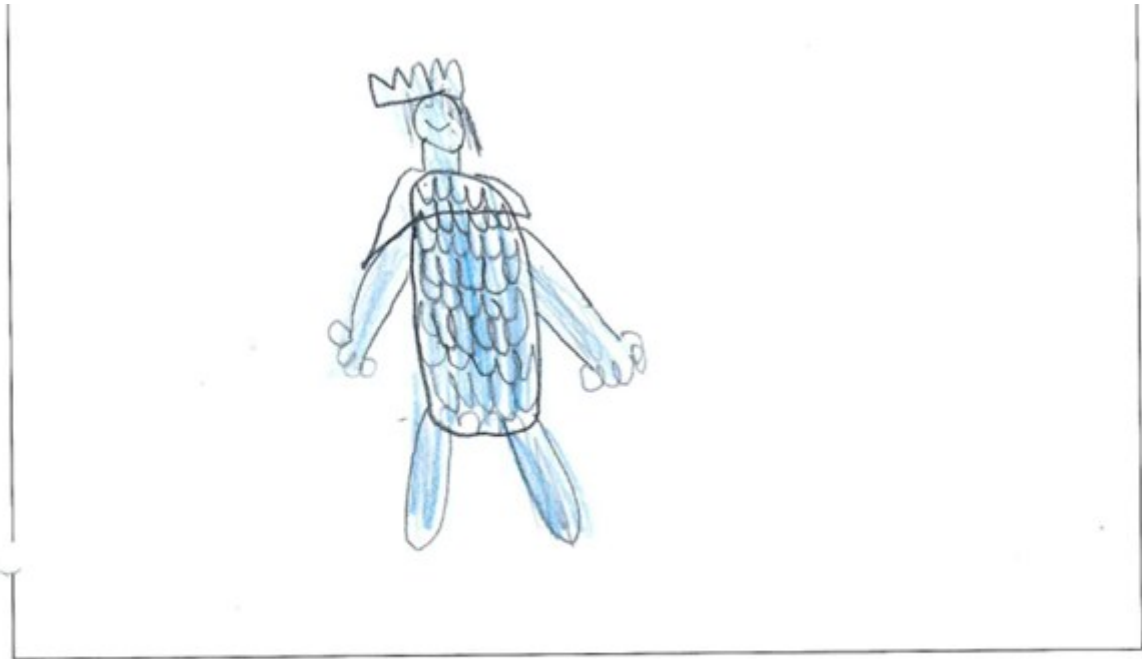
As you know, we are anticipating another period of hot weather next week. To help keep all of our children safe, comfortable and able to enjoy their learning, we would like to confirm the following arrangements:

- Please ensure your child has sun cream applied before they come to school each morning.
- All children should bring a sun hat to wear during outdoor activities.
- Children may wear their PE kits throughout the week to help them stay cool and comfortable.
- If temperatures rise above 30°C, we will once again offer parents and carers the option of collecting their child early from school.
- If the hot weather continues over several consecutive days, we may strongly encourage parents to collect their children early. From previous experience, we know that prolonged high temperatures can leave children feeling increasingly tired, lethargic and less able to concentrate, even with regular hydration, and other measures in place. We appreciate that many parents are working, so wherever possible we will make any decisions about early collection with as much notice as we can, rather than at the last minute. However, we will always prioritise the health, safety and wellbeing of the children and will keep families informed if circumstances change.
- Nursery children do not need to bring a water bottle, as fresh drinking water is readily available for them throughout the day.

We will continue to monitor the weather forecast closely and will communicate any further updates should arrangements need to change. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation in helping us keep everyone safe during the hot weather.

## Work of the Week

Ralph, in Year 2, has written a super character description of a superhero!



My name is Water King, I <sup>wear</sup> blue scales, a shining crown and it shines like a diamond. When crime appears, I get my trident and fight like no one has seen before. I slam <sup>the villain</sup> them to the ground and I put the money back in the bank.

✓✓ You are a superhero.  
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## Nursery and Pre-Reception News

This week we've been chatting about our favourite holiday destinations. Spain and Italy were very popular choices, sparking lots of conversations about sunshine, beaches and delicious food.

The children became mini chefs as they created their very own wrap-based veggie pizzas. They practised lots of cooking skills, chopping mushrooms, peppers and tomatoes. We grated some cheese and sprinkled on sweetcorn. Once assembled, the pizzas were baked in the oven and enjoyed at the snack table!

In the Blue Room, children created beautiful Spanish fans. Folding the paper was a tricky challenge that encouraged careful fine motor skills, and once folded, the fans were decorated with stickers and repeating patterns. They kept us cool in this very hot weather!

The Green Room transformed into a travel hub as nursery designed their own passports. They wrote their name and drew their pictures inside of their passports ready to hop onto the role play plane. They also thought about what they'd pack in their suitcase for a sunny holiday and drew them on their suitcases. We had items like sunglasses, hats, sunscreen and more.

Wednesday, we celebrated House Day. We took part in a variety of races including sprinting, egg and spoon and an obstacle course. And Thursday was another special day as we had our moving up morning. Pre-Reception children visited their new Reception classes, while Nursery children spent the morning in their new Pre-Reception groups. It was an exciting step forward for everyone!



## Reception News

We have had a wonderful week in Reception getting ready for our House Day! Throughout the day the children took part in a wide range of different activities including egg and spoon races, running and relay races, throwing and jumping challenges and lots of team challenges. All of Reception showed amazing team spirit and were really supportive of each other, cheering and waving their house flags!

In the afternoon, we continued our House Day celebrations, with a variety of team activities. The children took enjoyed parachute games, worked together to complete a team water challenge and showed their creativity by making collages of characters from their houses authors.

We have also had an exciting moving up morning, where the children had the opportunity to visit the Year1 classrooms upstairs and meet their new teachers and have been thinking about their goals for next year!



**The Foundation Team**

## Dates for the Diary

**Monday 6th July**

**Summer Music Concert—2pm**

*Year 2 and musicians*

*Arrival is via the Hall Door through the staff car park at the front of the school*

**Wednesday 8th July**

**St Christopher's Day & Year 2 Talent Show**

*Children to wear their own clothes*

**Friday 10th July**

**Year 2 Leaver Assembly—10.30**

*Year 2 children to bring their blazers and hats*

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**Last day collection times**

*Nursery & Pre-Reception - 11.50am*

*Reception & Year 1 - 12 noon*

*Year 2 - 12.20pm*



### **Mathletics:**

Congratulations to Muzhi D for your Diamond I Award

Congratulations to Arvid M for your Legend III Award



### **Spotty Box: Awards for success outside school:**

Heidi L - Stage Coach start of the week

Tabitha - for completing her Rainbows journey, she is now moving to Brownies

Luigi - Football tournament and coach's player of the season trophies

