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## Message from the Deputy Head Teacher

Dear Parents / Carers,

Mrs Vaughan has asked us to pass on her deep gratitude to all the staff and parents who continue to send best wishes. It's greatly appreciated and so needed when one is in hospital.

I am pleased to inform you that Mrs Vaughan is out of hospital and recovering at home, we all wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to welcoming her back when she is ready.

It has been another busy week at Christ Church, we have taken part in a year 5/6 netball tournament, which both our teams came a fantastic 2<sup>nd</sup>, attended a Dragons Den event at Hertford Regional College (more details below), two pupils went to Ware Priory to join the commonwealth day celebrations with a flag ceremony which is flying within the grounds and will continue to do so until Monday. Please remember we will be supporting Red Nose Day after school with a cake sale run by some of our Year 6 pupils.

Michelle Devine - Deputy Head Teacher

#### Golden Book

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

Lauren HS - Potter Class

Justin M - Tolkien Class

Tommy F - Shakespeare Class

Jasmine S - Shakespeare Class

Alfie A - Lewis Class

Corey G - Potter Class

Charlie C - Potter Class

Maisie W - Potter Class

Dates for week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> March

Weds 18<sup>th</sup> March - Drop in Session with the Head Teacher - 9.00am - This session we will be discussing our Behaviour policy. -Mrs Devine will be leading this session in Mrs Vaughan's absence.

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> March - McKee Class Assembly - 9.15 a.m. start

#### PE Kits

Please may we remind you that PE kits should be named and stored in a drawstring bag and kept in school. PE kits should consist of the following items:

House colour t-shirt

Red shorts

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Plimsolls - indoor wear (KS1 to wear for indoor and outdoor use)
Trainers - outdoor wear (KS2 only)
Tracksuit bottoms for cold weather use

### Dragons Den

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March four of our Year 5 girls (Maiya A, Isobel H, Ishara H and Sophie L) represented the school in a Dragons Den event held at Hertford Regional College in Turnford.

The girls were given the opportunity to make a product and present it to the dragons, television presenter Ant Anstead, Goffs Oak councillor and Dragons Den contestant Peter Moule, Mark White of 'Give Your Town The Run Around and Julie Palmer from the Mercury.

Our first group (Maiya, Isobel and Sophie) presented their product 'Dolphin Alert', a waterproof speaker in a plastic case that lets out a deep thumping noise to drive away the dolphins from the boat without harming the fish.

Ishara who worked independently presented her product, a purse with a safety fingerprint scanner to stop people getting into the purse.

All the girls were fantastic and produced brilliant presentations within a very short space of time, working on their projects outside of school.

The Dragons were exceptionally impressed with our children and they were each presented with a £10 Amazon voucher at an awards ceremony that the children particularly enjoyed.

We are all very proud of the children, well done!

Photos of the event can be viewed on the Hertfordshire Mercury website and a write up appeared in yesterday's copy of the Mercury.

#### A Letter of Thanks

Please find below a letter from one of the children's parents who came along and experienced the event.

Dear Christ Church,

Yesterday, I had the pleasure of accompanying the year five pupils who had been selected to represent Christ Church School in the 'Dragon's Den' event held at Turnford College. I just wanted to say how proud I was of both the pupils and the school and what a privilege it was to be able to watch the pupils deliver their polished presentations which must have taken a lot of hard work and preparation.

Both teams pitched their ideas to an intimidating panel of Dragons in a confident, articulate manner and with a beaming smile that conveyed a clear message 'We mean business'. I would like to thank the school for going the extra mile and arranging this unique and valuable experience for its pupils.

Well Done Christ Church Keith Lawrence