

MEDICINES IN SCHOOL



As a general rule, children on short term medication should not be in school.

If children need medication whilst at school, this must be handed in to the office by an adult in a container with a prescription label stating the child's name (with clear instructions). A permission form (available from the office) must be completed by parents before staff will administer or supervise the administration of any medication. Please also inform the class teacher. In some circumstances it may be necessary for a parent or carer to come into the school to administer the medication.

Children who have long term medical conditions (including allergies and asthma) require an up-to-date Health Care Plan in school. We ask that these are reviewed and renewed every year.



Inhalers may be handed in to the class teacher in KS1, and children in KS2 may take responsibility for their own inhaler with permission from a parent or carer. We have an emergency inhaler in school which can be administered only to children with diagnosed asthma and for whom we have parental permission. Please refer to our Medical Conditions Policy (available on the website) for more details.

ILLNESS

If children fall ill during the day, the school will telephone parents or nominated carers as soon as possible.

Children are not expected to come to school unless they are fit to take part in all the activities in the whole school day.

No child should come to school within **48 hours** of suffering from vomiting or diarrhoea to prevent spreading infection.

EMERGENCIES

Our first aiders will deal with minor cuts and bumps. Please let us know if your child is allergic to plasters. We may telephone you to let you know if your child has bumped their head and we will let you know if your child receives first aid treatment of any kind, often with a note at the end of the day.



If there is a serious accident, we will contact a parent/carer immediately, and if necessary will arrange for an ambulance to take your child to hospital with a member of staff. It is therefore vital that you keep the school informed of any changes of phone numbers of all three nominated emergency contacts.

ABSENCES AND ATTENDANCE



Please phone/email the school office to notify us of any absence on the day, as it helps with class organisation. If your child walks to school by themselves it is essential that you



notify us if they are not coming into school. It is also essential that you let the school know immediately if your child has a contagious illness.

If your child has an appointment for treatment, please let us know by email at least the day before. A child is not allowed to leave the school premises during the day unless collected by a parent or a designated adult and 'signed out' in the school office. Please arrange all appointments outside school time. We will not authorise absences for appointments (except for specialist appointments).

Parents are expected to arrange holidays during the school holidays. If you are thinking of taking a holiday in term time, please think carefully about the effect it will have on your child's education and friendships. There is no automatic right to take leave in term time and it is only under exceptional circumstances that leave will be authorised. Parents must make a written request to the head teacher as far in advance as possible. The Government is looking for at least 96.5% attendance from all children which allows for a total of only 7 days absence for any reason, including illness. Please help to support the school and your children in this by thinking carefully about your holidays.

LATENESS

Punctuality is very important.

- Children should be in the playground before the bell rings each morning.
- The bell rings at 8.50am and the register is taken before 9am. Learning starts straight away at 8.50am.
- If your child arrives late after 9.10, this may be recorded as an unauthorised absence. Eight or more unauthorised absences in an eight week period can result in a penalty fine for parents.

CHRIST CHURCH SCHOOL
RIGHTS RESPECTING CHARTER



Christ Church is proud to be a UNICEF Rights Respecting School and our behaviour policy and charter is based on the articles in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

This is our whole school rights respecting charter:

It is our right to...	We all respect these rights by...
... learn to the best of our ability (Articles 28 and 29)	... working hard and giving 100% to all lessons and activities
... offer our views honestly and be listened to by others (Articles 12 and 13)	... listening to others, respecting others' views and being honest
... play and learn safely and healthily (Articles 24 and 31)	... treating others with kindness and gentleness and respecting property

HOUSES AND REWARDS

The school is organised into four houses, named after famous residents who lived in the parish of Christ Church.

They are: Bliss (blue), Constable (green), du Maurier (yellow) and Stevenson (red). House points are awarded for a variety of reasons e.g. responsible behaviour, good work, being helpful, bringing homework or letters back to school on time etc.

Each week, children in each class are also given a golden certificate for extra special effort or achievement. There are also Lunch Time Supervisor awards given out each week and daily 'star of the day' awards.

CHRIST CHURCH SCHOOL PRAYER

Father God,

Help us in our work each day. Give us concentration so that we may listen, understanding so that we may learn, and peaceful minds so that we may remember.

Amen





CHRIST CHURCH SCHOOL STATEMENT ON BULLYING

At Christ Church School we recognise that bullying is 'behaviour by an individual or a group, repeated over time, that intentionally hurts another individual or group, either online or face-to-face, either physically or emotionally' (DfE 2017).

We recognise that bullying can take many forms and be short term or continue over a long period of time. Some specific ways that bullying can occur are:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name calling, mocking differences or making someone feel small • Making threats • Pressurising someone to hand over money or possessions or to do something they do not want to do • Hitting or other physical violence • Damaging or hiding possessions or work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spreading rumours about someone or their family • Laughing at a hurt or upset person or preventing someone from getting help • Using text, email or webspace to write or say hurtful things about someone (cyberbullying) - please also refer to our Online Safety policy • Other behaviours that make someone feel unhappy
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It is important that all members of the school community recognise repeated incidence of these behaviours as forms of bullying.

We recognise that causes of bullying often reflect inequalities and are often to do with race, religion, culture, background, gender, sexuality, appearance and size, ability and attainment, material possessions and other perceived differences. Our Positive Behaviour and Anti-Bullying Policy runs alongside our Equalities Policies and Plan - we have equally high expectations for all children in our school.

Christ Church School does not tolerate bullying of any kind.

SANCTIONS FOR INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR:

Minor offences are dealt with by the class teacher or lunch time staff.

More serious offences are dealt with by a member of the senior leadership team and an incident form is written and kept by the headteacher.

Serious offences involve the headteacher and parents.

Parents concerned about inappropriate behaviour or bullying should notify the school as soon as possible and at no time should they approach other children or parents directly.

The full Positive Behaviour and Anti-Bullying Policy is available from the office or on the school website.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Christ Church School has a school uniform which should be worn with pride by all children in the school. The basic colours are red tops and navy-blue bottoms. All children need to have a red t-shirt and jumper/cardigan/fleece (preferably with the school logo) to wear when they are going on a school outing - for easy identification.

WINTER UNIFORM

- Navy-blue trousers (not jeans), jogging bottoms or navy-blue skirts or tunics
- Plain red jumpers or cardigans, school sweat-shirts* or fleeces*.
- Socks or tights in plain red/white/navy-blue.
- White polo shirts*, white shirts or blouses
- Sensible shoes (not boots) of black or navy. They should be plain, single coloured and with dark laces when appropriate.

SUMMER UNIFORM

- As winter, or children can wear navy blue shorts or red and white checked summer dresses.
- Plain red or white t-shirt, or with the school logo*
- Open-toed shoes are not allowed for reasons of health and safety.
- Red caps* are available as an optional item

SCHOOL BAG/BOOK BAG

All children need a sensible bag (not too big) to carry reading books, homework etc back and forth from school. All infants and the majority of children in other years have a school book bag with the school logo.*

P.E. KIT

All children are expected to change for PE. They will need:

- navy shorts or tracksuit trousers
- grey t-shirts*
- plimsolls or light-weight trainers and spare socks (for children wearing tights)
- hoodies* - optional item for Y5 and 6 only and only for PE
- kit needs to be kept in a drawstring bag*

JEWELLERY, HAIR AND PHONES

Jewellery is not allowed with the exception of watches, which remain the responsibility of the child. For health and safety reasons, children with pierced ears must only wear studs. Long hair should be tied back.

No smart watches/devices or devices which take images/recordings are permitted in school. If children in the oldest year groups travel to school on their own and need a phone for safety reasons, these must be handed in to the school office on arrival and collected when the child leaves school (including at the end of any after school activities). Phones left in the school office for the day are left at the owner's own risk and are not covered by school insurance policies.

**these uniform items are available online with the school logo*

Parents can also purchase plain items at supermarkets/other shops. There are also regular second-hand uniform sales in school - please ask in the school office if you would like to see our second-hand uniform stock and please donate good quality items if your child has grown out of them.

FOOD AND DRINK IN SCHOOL

A healthy cooked lunch is available for all children in the school. These need to be ordered on a half termly basis.

There is a wide choice of food, including vegetarian meals, and fresh fruit as an alternative to cooked pudding. We provide a 'meat free' Monday menu.

School meals are available free of charge to all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 nationally. **For the academic year 2023/24 school lunches are also available free of charge to pupils in Years 3-6, funded by the London Mayor's office.**

Parents may find they are eligible for free school meals. Information about eligibility is available from the school office. It would be helpful if eligible parents register for free meals, even if their child does not want to take them or if they are available free anyway, as this impacts on the school's funding. There are times when you may be eligible for other benefits if you are already registered.



Pupils may also choose to bring in a healthy packed lunch, which is eaten in the hall when the other children are eating their school lunches.

Sweets, fizzy drinks and block chocolate are not to be part of a packed lunch, and we ask that the children should be able to organise eating their own food (no difficult to open containers or squeeze tubes, please).

Changes between school lunches and packed lunches can be made at the beginning of each half term, but the office needs one week's notice at the end of the previous half term.

Fresh water is available in school. Children are provided with a named reusable school water bottle each year which they keep with them in the classroom.



- Infants and juniors are provided with fresh fruit for morning break.
- Chewing gum and nut products of any kind (including pesto and Nutella) are not allowed in school or on school trips.
- Please do not send in food or gifts for special occasions such as birthdays.
- We are trying to be a single-use plastic free school - please try not to send single-use plastic bottles or wrappings for food for lunch or trips.

THE SCHOOL DAY

Morning school starts at 8.50am. It is advisable for the children to be in the playground a few minutes before 'lining up' time as this helps for a settled start at the beginning of the day.



Punctual arrival in the mornings helps children value punctuality, and avoids disruption for the rest of the class.

If your child is going to be late, please phone the school to let us know; this must be before 9.10am if you wish to have a school lunch ordered for them. It is particularly important that you phone school if your child walks to school by themselves and they are going to be late.

If children arrive late they must be taken to the school office and signed in.

The school day ends at 3.20pm. Parents should wait in the playground for their youngest child. Children are dismissed from their classrooms in the infant playground and teachers bring the older classes out to the junior playground.

SUPERVISION

We are unable to provide supervision in the playgrounds before 8.45am or after 3.30pm and the school cannot accept any responsibility for children who are on the premises outside these times. Should children be left at school after 3.30pm, they will be asked to wait by the front office. Please phone us if you are aware you are running late.



We provide a free escort service from Christ Church to New End School and Hampstead Community Centre after school clubs. Parents wishing their children to join these after school clubs must register separately with them - forms and details are available from our school office.

We run a range of after school clubs at Christ Church each term until 4.30pm each day (e.g. Lego, Cross Country, Football, Art). A letter containing details and costs for after school clubs is sent home each term.

USEFUL ADDRESSES AND CONTACTS

School phone number **020 7435 1361**
School website www.christchurchschool.co.uk
School email **admin@cchurchnw3.camden.sch.uk**

The offices are staffed from 8.40-3.55pm and messages can be left on the school answerphone outside these times.

- The local authority, which provides education for children in Camden, can be contacted at:
Camden Local Authority
Children, Schools and Families
5 Pancras Square
London, N1C 4AG
tel: 020 7974 4444
- The London Diocesan Board for Schools, which supports us as we are a church school can be contacted at: London Diocesan Board for Schools
36 Causton Street London SW1 4AU
tel: 020 7932 1100
- The Vicar, Rev Paul Conrad, can be contacted on 020 7435 6784
- The school nurse can be contacted through the school office
- All correspondence for the Chair of Governors and other school Governors can be left with the Clerk to the Governors, via the school office. Governors can also be contacted by email at governors@cchurchnw3.camden.sch.uk

INSURANCE and PROPERTY

The school does not provide cover for personal accidents to pupils e.g. a disabling accident during sports, except in cases of proven negligence by the local authority or the governors. Parents need to arrange their own cover.

There is no insurance to cover personal effects and the governors accept no responsibility for loss or damage of any valuable items, (including musical instruments, spectacles, scooters, bicycles, phones or money) which are brought on to the premises. We discourage children from bringing anything valuable into school, this includes mobile phones, electronic toys etc., since they can become lost or damaged and can provide temptation to others. Please secure bikes or scooters left in the school racks.

Please label everything that children bring in to school including all clothes that may be removed for PE.