

CHRISTCHURCH INFANT SCHOOL

18TH SEPTEMBER 2026



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move further into the autumn term, it has been wonderful to see our children settling so happily into school life and embracing new learning opportunities. We have lots of exciting news and events to share with you this week!

The Power of Handwriting

As shared in our last newsletter, staff have been implementing our new handwriting policy across the school. We hope you enjoyed looking through the handwriting resources that were sent home last week and have found them helpful. Did you know that learning handwriting is incredibly important for children's brain development? Researchers have found that when children write by hand, multiple areas of the brain become active simultaneously. In fact, some experts describe the brain as "lighting up like a Christmas tree" because handwriting engages regions responsible for language, memory, attention, motor skills and learning all at once. Unlike typing, handwriting helps children to develop stronger letter recognition, improve memory retention and build the fine motor control needed for successful writing. By practising handwriting regularly, children are not only improving their presentation but also strengthening important pathways in the brain that support reading, spelling and communication. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to develop confident, fluent writers.

Library Magic Wins First Place!

A huge thank you to everyone who supported us through the Tesco Blue Token scheme. We are absolutely delighted to announce that our project, "Library Magic," was awarded first place, securing an incredible £1,500 for our school. We are so grateful to our school community and everyone who took the time to vote for us. This funding will help us continue to enhance our already beautiful library space, creating even more opportunities for our children to develop a love of reading and immerse themselves in wonderful books. We can't wait to invite you in for breakfast reading sessions soon!

Website Update: School Communication Hub

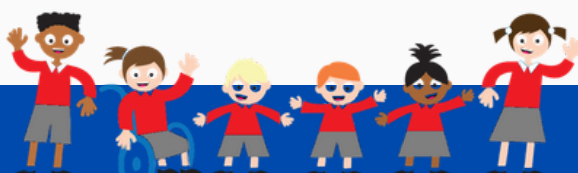
We are currently updating our school website to make important information even easier for families to access. A new section can now be found under the 'Parents' tab called "School Communications Hub." Here you will find copies of all school letters and communications uploaded in one convenient place. We hope this will make it easier to keep track of key information and refer back to messages whenever needed.

Jeans for Genes Day.

On Monday 21st September, children are invited to wear a piece of denim on their bottom half (such as jeans, a denim skirt or shorts) alongside the rest of their normal school uniform. If you would like to make a donation, please follow the link; [Click to donate](#)

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

With warm wishes,
Miss Tobin
Head Teacher



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You are invited to join us for our

Macmillan Coffee Morning



hosted at

Christchurch Infant School

📍 9-10am | 25th September

Christchurch Infant School Hall



Card or cash accepted

with all donations going to our local
Christchurch branch.



If you would like to donate
any cakes, please drop them to
the Infant School office on
Thursday 24th September.

If these are home made, please provide
a list of ingredients.

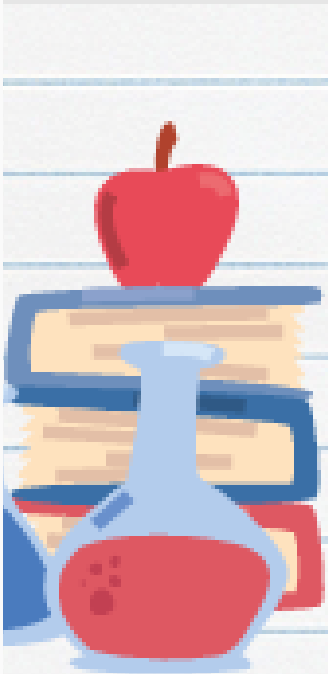


We are a nut free school.



♥ Thank you ♥





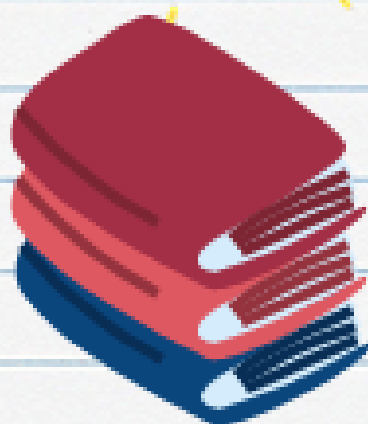
PUPIL PREMIUM

Are you Eligible?

DID YOU KNOW THAT YOUR CHILD MAY BE ENTITLED TO ADDITIONAL FUNDING THROUGH PUPIL PREMIUM? THIS FUNDING IS PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT TO HELP SCHOOLS SUPPORT CHILDREN'S LEARNING AND WELLBEING — AND IT COULD MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE TO YOUR CHILD'S EXPERIENCE AT SCHOOL.

THIS FUNDING HELPS US TAILOR SUPPORT TO YOUR CHILD'S NEEDS AND ENSURE THEY THRIVE BOTH ACADEMICALLY AND SOCIALLY. IT ALSO BENEFITS THE WHOLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY BY ALLOWING US TO INVEST IN RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES THAT RAISE ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL.

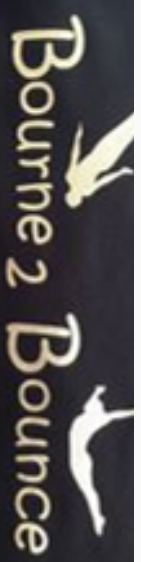
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CPAL PLAY REQUEST OF THE WEEK:

SUITCASES - Anysize please





**Spaces for both Gymnastics and
Trampolining for children
4-10 Years**

NEW

Monday Trampoline spaces School Year 1 - 2

Monday Gymnastics spaces School Year 3 - 5

Tuesday Trampoline spaces School Year 3 - 5

Wednesday Gymnastics spaces School Year 2 - 4

Wednesday Trampoline spaces School Year 1 - 2

Thursday COMBINED Gymnastics/Trampoline sessions for those aged 4-6 Years

Thursday Trampoline spaces School Year 2 - 5

Please email: bourn2bounceinfo2@gmail.com with your child's
full name and DOB for a **trial session**

All sessions are at our own facility, on the
Parley Manor Estate (opposite Bournemouth Airport),
Christchurch, BH23 6BB

Children attend independently





Bourne 2 Bounce

Trampoline, DMT & Gymnastics Club

Bourne 2 Bounce is a British Gymnastics Trampoline, Double Mini Trampoline (DMT) and Gymnastics Club who offer sessions at our own facility on the Parley Manor Estate, opposite Bournemouth airport, Christchurch, BH23 6BB.

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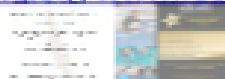
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Find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Bourne2Bounce/>



**Dorset Parenting Support
Service**



“Behaviours that challenge us” Information Session

**Free one-off session for parent/carer(s) living in BCP and Dorset
with children aged between 5 and 11 years**

Join our one-off information session to find out more about how you can support and understand your child's challenges and difficulties. Session is delivered by a Child Clinical Psychologist.

Tuesday 2nd June 2026

10:00am - 12:00pm

Face to Face session, venue in BCP area

Wednesday 1st July 2026

10:00am - 12:00pm

Virtual session via Microsoft Teams

Tuesday 22nd September 2026

07:00pm - 09:00pm

Virtual session via Microsoft Teams

Tuesday 3rd November 2026

10:00am - 12:00pm

Virtual session via Microsoft Teams

Tuesday 19th January 2027

10:00am - 12:00pm

Virtual session via Microsoft Teams

**To book your place, please visit our website:
actionforchildren.org.uk/dorset or scan the QR code**



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Aspire Adoption

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Aspire Adoption, the Regional Adoption Agency for BCP and Dorset Councils, will be bringing together adopted children from local schools for fun and friendship once a week after school for 8 weeks during term time.

NEXT TERM: CHRISTCHURCH AREA
Schools between Hengistbury Head & Walkford
In years 4, 5 or 6 from October 2026

To register interest, please contact
Susanne.Turner@aspireadoption.co.uk





FACE

September Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours

Facing Defiance	1 Sep 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	1 Sep 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	7 Sep 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	7 Sep 7pm
Introduction to OCD	8 Sep 10am
Decreasing Depression	8 Sep 7pm
What is ACT?	14 Sep 10am
Improving Family Communication	14 Sep 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	15 Sep 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	15 Sep 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	21 Sep 10am
Understanding Anger	21 Sep 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	22 Sep 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	22 Sep 7pm
FREE - Masking Awareness	24 Sep 7-8pm
Anxiety Explained	28 Sep 10am
School Anxiety	28 Sep 7pm