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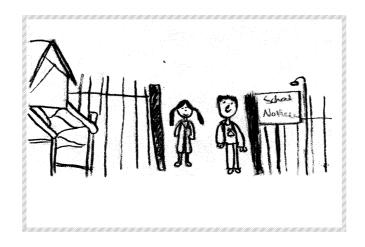
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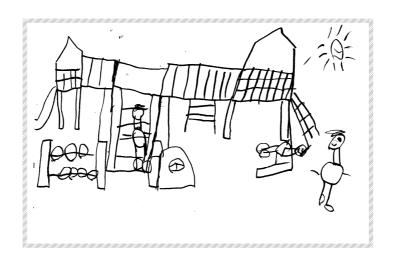
# WELCOME TO CHURCHILL C.E.V.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL



We hope that your time with us will be happy and successful.

This booklet should guide you through your first few weeks at our school. If you require any further information, please feel free to ask any of our staff for help.

Please complete the "permission slip" sheet and the admission form at the back of the pack and return it to the office as soon as possible.

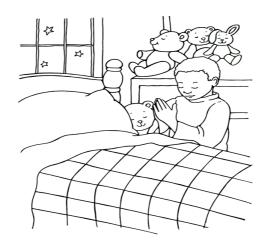


# SCHOOL AIMS

Throughout their time in school we work with children to:

- develop a love of learning and a zest for life;
- develop Christian attitudes of understanding, kindness, caring and tolerance;
- encourage respect for themselves, others and the environment;
- be proud of achievements and not be afraid to make mistakes;
- be responsive, alert and enthusiastic and use their own initiative;
- be able to work independently and collaboratively;
- be technologically confident and aware;
- develop and value cultural diversity and being part of a wider world.

# **OUR SCHOOL PRAYER**



This is our school
Let peace dwell here
Let the rooms be full of happiness
Let love live here
Love of one another
Love of mankind
Love of life itself
And love of God

# Amen



# SCHOOL DAY

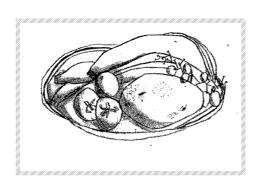
# START OF SCHOOL DAY

We have two entry gates to the school grounds; the front gate on Pudding Pie Lane and the back gate on Larch Close. The playground gates open at 8.40 a.m. Due to the small size of Larch Close, we recommend that parents who drive use the gate on Pudding Pie Lane.

The morning bell is rung at 8.55 a.m. All pupils then line up in the playground and then go into their classrooms.

# BREAK - 10.30 A.M. -10.45 A.M.

Children are encouraged to bring healthy snacks, which are kept separately from lunch food!



# LUNCHTIME

We have wonderful dinner ladies. They organise grace, seating, playground supervision etc. Lunch is taken at two sittings - Key Stage 1 beginning at 12.15 p.m. and Key Stage 2 at 12.30 p.m. This allows separate and mixed Key Stage playtime. There is a "Playground Buddy" system. Year 6 children supervise specific activities in zones. Lunchtime play ends for everyone at 1.30 p.m.

# SCHOOL DINNERS

These are cooked on site and cost £9.50 per week (£1.90 per day). We ask that you give a week's advanced notice when ordering your child's lunches. Cheques should be made payable to "North Somerset Council" and please could we have all dinner money in a named envelope. Dinner money should be put in an envelope clearly labelled with your child's name.

# **LUNCHBOXES**

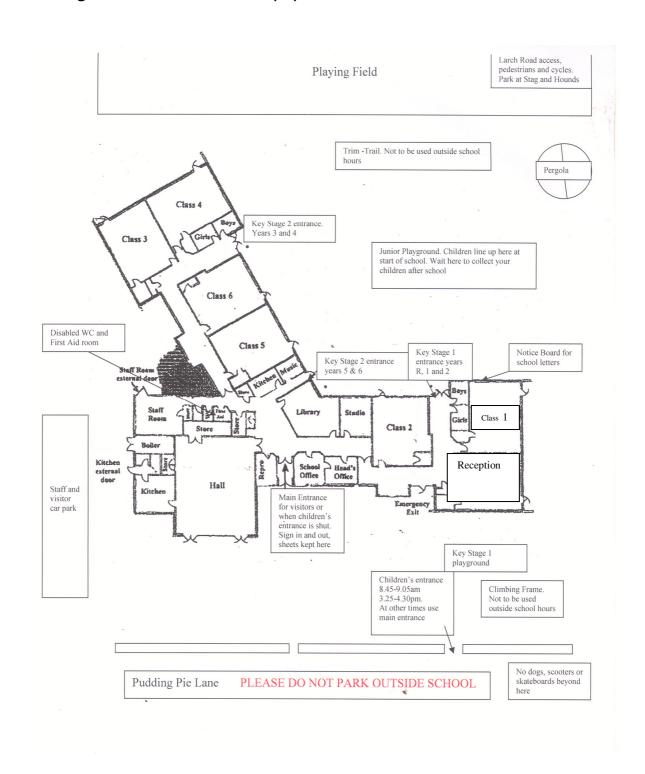
We request that your child's lunch be filled with healthy foods! Please avoid items like "Frubes" and "Baby Bel" - two disasters for little fingers and our floors!

# **SCHOOL END**

School finishes at 3.30 p.m. Please collect your child(ren) from the playground and check they have their reading folder. If you are going to be late, please telephone the school on 01934 852446. Your child/children will then wait for you in the Library. Please come to the main school entrance to collect "waiting" children. School letters come home on Wednesdays and have handy numbers so you can keep track of missing ones! They are also available on our website and spare copies are kept in the school lobby.

# FRONT ENTRANCE

If you come into school between 9.00 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. please use the front entrance, please sign in and out as appropriate. If you take your child out during the school day, you will need to sign him/her out on the pupil sheet.



# ILLNESS AND ABSENCE

It is important that you let us know by phone, between the hours of 8.30 - 9.00 a.m. if your child is absent.

# Diarrhoea and Vomiting

Until the diarrhea and vomiting has settled i.e neither for the previous 24 hours. This period of exclusion may have to be lengthened if the child is unable to maintain good personal hygiene.

# Conjunctivitis

Children do not have to be excluded from school due to viral conjunctivitis. However, children are sometimes miserable with the symptoms of the illness and may be more comfortable at home. Bacterial conjunctivitis needs antibiotic drops and should have 48 hours treatment before returning to school.

If your child needs to go home because they are ill, we will contact the first name on the contact sheet that you have provided us with. If unsuccessful, we will contact the next name. If we cannot reach anyone, your child will be looked after in the school office until we can find someone.

We **strongly discourage** parents from taking children on holiday during term time as this can seriously effect children's education. If it is necessary to travel in term time, parents should request a holiday form for the school office.

# Please remember there is no automatic right to a holiday in term time.

Some of the reasons the Head Teacher may consider authorising holiday absence are listed below:

- Forces personnel on leave from a foreign posting
- Parents' employment restrictions (the school may ask for evidence from your employer)
- Significant family events or circumstances these will be considered on an individual basis with you.

The Head Teacher will consider every request individually, but the following would generally not meet the criteria, unless there are other significant family events or circumstances:

- Relatives coming to visit
- Cheaper holidays in England and abroad
- Family day trips
- Visiting family and friends who have different half term holidays

The Head Teacher does not have to give permission if you request a holiday. If the holiday is not approved, your child's absence will be recorded as unauthorized, which will affect our standing with North Somerset Council.

# SCHOOL UNIFORM

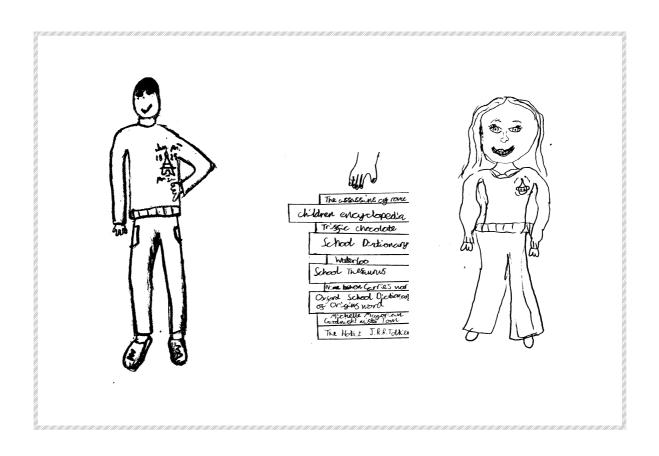
All items of school uniform should be labelled - you would be surprised what children can lose!

Boys	<u>Girls</u>
White shirt or polo shirt Grey/black trousers or shorts School Sweatshirt with logo Sensible shoes - no trainers	White blouse or polo shirt Grey/black skirt/trousers School sweatshirt with logo Sensible shoes - no trainers/boots

Girls may wear blue and white or yellow and white checked dresses during the Summer Term.

**PE kit:** Each pupil needs a named PE bag containing a shirt, shorts and plimsolls. Trainers are recommended for field sports (Key stage 2). Football boots may be advised for certain activities (or trainers)

Swimming: Swimmers require a swimming costume (no bikinis) or short trunks and a towel.



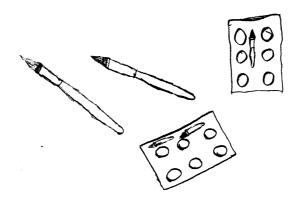
The following are available in school:

 $\underline{\text{Sweatshirts}}$  - sizes 24 - 32" chest and XS, S and M all with school logo

**Book Bag** - complete with school logo

# LOST PROPERTY

Lost property is located in the green bin, outside of Class 2.



# CAR PARKING

Parking outside our school is a constant worry! We only have parking spaces for members of staff on the school grounds.

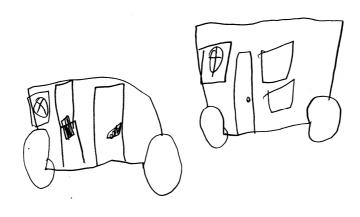
# Please do not park in the staff car park

There is space for a few lucky (early) people to park in front of the school, but if these are already taken, it may be necessary to park further along Pudding Pie Lane or in Broadoak Road or Hillmead. Please be considerate when parking, making sure that residents' driveways are not blocked. Always park at least 10 metres from road junctions and never on the corners.

A new side gate leading to Larch Close has recently been opened for pedestrians and cyclists to access the school. We hope that parents will choose to park in the Stag and Hounds Car Park and walk the 3 - 4 minutes to the new side gate entrance to relieve traffic congestion at the front of the school and a healthy start for the day.

For the safety of all our children, we regularly remind parents/carers about these restrictions.

# PLEASE HELP US TO KEEP ALL OUR CHILDREN SAFE BY PARKING SAFELY!



# Churchill Kids' Club

# Aims and Values

We provide before and after school care for children in KS1 and 2 (ie from Reception to Y6).

We believe that children should be supervised by suitable adults in a stable, safe and fun environment immediately before and after school.

As a play scheme there are no specific educational aims however children will benefit from

- Social interaction with trusted adults who are not parents or teachers
- Social interaction with children of various ages
- Learning and playing card and board games
- Imaginative play (e.g with dressing up clothes)
- Craft activities (drawing, origami etc)
- Physical play (in playground and on play equipment)

We aim to overlap our values with those held by Churchill Primary School in particular those of respect and behaviour.

# Hours of operation

Wessex Leisure Centre(Cheddar)

Mondays to Fridays 7.45am to 8.45am and 3.30pm to 5.45pm We may take a maximum of 16 children per session. (We do not provide care during holiday periods but can recommend the play schemes offered by both Churchill Sports Centre and The Kings of

# Management

CKC is run by a voluntary management committee consisting of parents/carers plus a member nominated by the primary school. Our play workers are employed by the committee. We operate on a non-profit making basis and aim only to cover costs so as to keep the play scheme affordable for working parents.

# Registration

We are fully insured and are Ofsted registered.

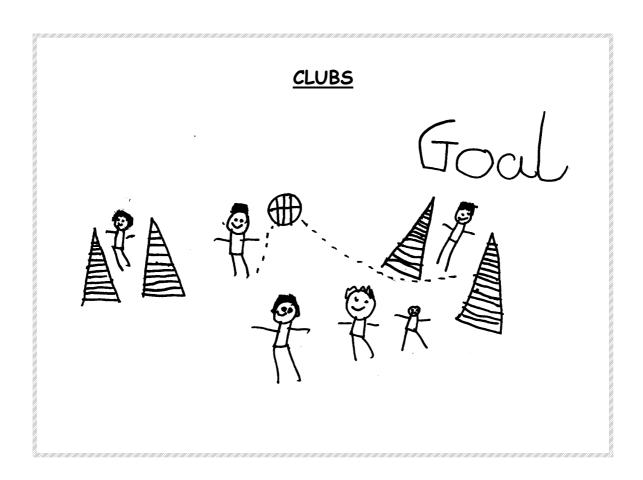
# Contact Details

Please call the club during session times on 07756 355628 when our senior play leader, Valerie Pain, will be happy to give you further information.

# **CLUBS**

A huge thank you to all of our staff who give so generously of their time to organise and run clubs. Some clubs are run by outside agencies (always carefully vetted) and charges are made for these.

Applications to join clubs go out in September. If children join our school part way through the year, please contact Miss Lewis to check availability.



Our Clubs include: -

Chess French Art Orchestra
Netball Construction Cricket Choir
Gardening Science Football

# HELPING IN SCHOOL

Parents' help is welcomed in all aspects of our school curriculum. Your child's class teacher will probably ask you to sign up if you would like to help - if not, please ask them.

Tasks vary from hearing reading to helping with cookery projects. Extra helpers are always needed for trips out of school, nature walks, etc. If you are a regular helper, you will need to be police checked. This is a simple procedure, which Mrs Keenan in the office will organise for you.

Please note that there are tea and coffee making facilities for parent helpers in the children's kitchen (opposite the front door). Please feel free to help yourself. Also, please don't forget to sign yourself in when you arrive at school and take a self-adhesive "Helper" badge - available just inside the front door on the shelf - so that you can be easily identified. This is for the safety of all our children.

You should be given a booklet about helping in school once your offer has been accepted. If not, please ask for one! We also hold annual training sessions for parent helpers.



# **GOVERNORS**

#### John Votaw, Chairman

John has 2 girls at the school and serves as a Parent Governor. He sits on both the Curriculum and Facilities Sub-committees and has a special interest in the school's ICT program. He is a Software Developer for a company in London but he also has a background in teaching.

# Lesley Hegarty, Vice-Chair

Lesley has a son and daughter at Churchill secondary school. A governor since 1999, Lesley is now Chair of the Curriculum subcommittee.

# Jackie Bush, Community Representative

Jackie has been a governor since 2001 and is a Parish Councillor. She has been a foster carer for more than 20. She has 5 children of her own, her first child came to Churchill Primary in 1993. She has special responsibility for SEN and child protection.

# Jonathan Clamp - Parent Governor

Jonathan has one son at the school and another starting in September '08. He was recently elected as a parent governor. Jonathan is an independent financial adviser.

He is also treasurer of the Churchill Kids Club and a member of the PTA committee.

# Martin Fletcher, Foundation Governor

Martin's children have all started their education at Churchill Primary. He was a "prime-mover" in setting up Kids Club, to provide before and after school care. He is chairman of the Facilities sub-committee.

# Sally Furniss, LEA Governor

Sally has been serving on the Churchill Primary Governing body for over 15 years. She is chairperson of the Management committee and as a dietician, takes a special interest in the school's Health and Nutrition work.

# Claire Hosgood, Non-teaching Staff governor

Claire joined the governing body in 2004. She was Chair of the PTA for 2 years before joining the Churchill governing body. Claire is on the Facilities sub-committees and is currently overseeing the Health and Safety issues within school.

# Tracey Jones, Parent Governor

Tracey has been a governor since her eldest daughter started school (she's now 14!). She has 4 daughters, 1 at primary school (KS2) and 3 at the Community School. Tracey's background is in Human Resources. She also works in a primary school, supporting literacy and numeracy.

# Lynne Lloyd, Teaching Staff Governor

Lynne has been a teacher governor for five years. She started teaching at Churchill Primary six years ago and currently teaches year 5 as well as sharing the Deputy Head post.

# Reverend Leigh Machell, Foundation Governor

Leigh is the Priest-in-Charge of the parish of Churchill & Langford. He is also Youth Minister to a group of five local parishes. He has been here since January 2007 and was previously in a parish in Redditch, Worcestershire and before being ordained he worked as a pharmacist. Leigh has a son at Churchill Community School, and a daughter in the primary school.

# Wycliffe Slingsby, Parent Governor

Wyc has been a governor for 2 years and has 2 children at Churchill Primary. He has expertise in management and computer software. Wyc sits on the Management committee and has a special responsibility for Science.

# Valerie Tighe, Head teacher

Val has been Head teacher at Churchill Primary since 1997. Before this she worked in the USA and Germany. She has 2 children who have now both completed University. She is primarily on the Management committee but frequently attends other committee meetings!

#### Tristan Wilson - Parent Governor

Tristan has a son and daughter at Churchill Primary. He was elected as a Parent Governor in 2007 and sits on the Facilities Sub-committee. He is a Chartered Accountant and works for a local manufacturing company.

# PTA

As a parent or carer of a child attending Churchill Primary School, you are automatically a member of our parent teacher association (PTA). The PTA raises money each year to provide items of equipment or pay for trips that the local authority funding will not cover. In the present climate this money is an essential part of the school funds.

Our main fund-raising events are the Christmas and Summer Fayres.

We also organise social events that everyone can enjoy so that parents and families can meet and have fun. There is usually one of these each half term.

Each class has an allocation from the PTA in addition to LSA funding. Some classes spend this to subsidise school trips. For other details of how the PTA fund raising is spent please see any member of the PTA.

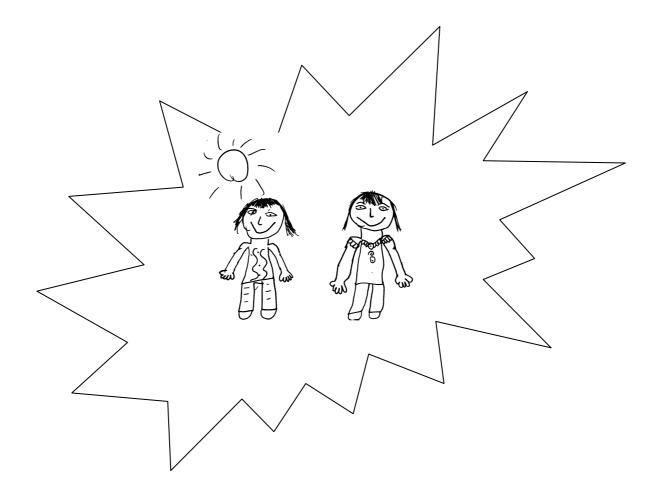
We are always looking for energetic people to come on to the Committee, or to help in any way. Don't be shy!

If you would like to know more please contact the Chairperson, Katy Pearce on 01934 853094.

# PERMISSION/ADMISSION

We want your child to enjoy the best possible education whilst they are with us.

To help support this, please read the permission information on the next pages of this booklet. You will then need to tick the "Yes" box or put a cross against "No" box to indicate which sections you are giving permission for, on the separate sheet. Please also sign and date the page and return it to the school office.



Please complete the admission forms and return to the office - please ensure the mobile numbers are current!

# 1. WALK IN THE LOCAL AREA

We often take children out of the school grounds to increase their learning, for example, Year 2 pupils walk to the War Memorial as part of their topic work. We always have a teacher leading the children and additional adult helpers. We carry out a risk assessment for each local walk.

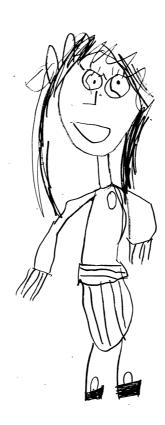


A sketch made during a visit

# 2. PROVIDE EMERGENCY TREATMENT

If your child is injured at school and we are unable to get in touch with anyone on your contact list, a member of staff will accompany your child to the local doctor or hospital, using appropriate transport.

The decision that your child needs additional medical treatment will be taken by a member of staff trained in first aid.

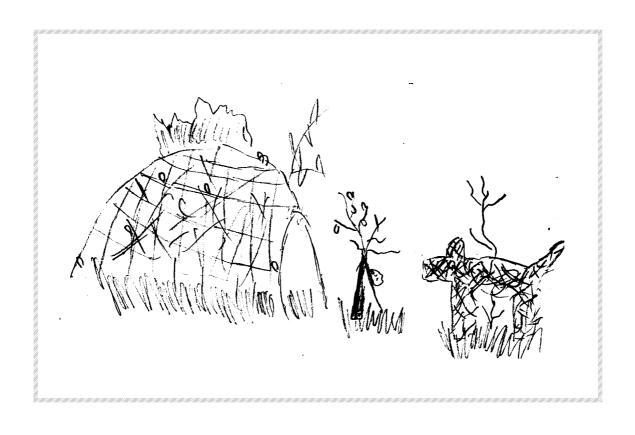


# 3. <u>USE CHILDREN'S PHOTOGRAPHS OR WORK</u>

Our school website

www.churchill-pri.n-somerset.sch.uk is a lovely place to show the work that our children produce. We often use photographs of children e.g. the Christmas Production and school work on our site. We also have frequent photographs in the local newspaper.

By signing this section you are agreeing that your child's work and/or photograph can be used on our website or placed in the newspaper. Please note: only Christian names will be used and children identified by year group only.



# 4. USING THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

We have a lovely library, which is full of interesting and entertaining books (with a small adult section which is useful for support in parenting skills).

Our computerised system keeps track of borrowing and returning and the library is open most lunchtimes.

Books which are lost or damaged need to be replaced, so a contribution of £5.00 will be requested if this happens.

Book sacks can be borrowed by Years R, 1 and 2 children and the same rules as above apply.

We hope you will encourage your child to use this facility and share stories with you.



#### 5. HOME/SCHOOL AGREEMENT

Churchill Primary School prides itself on being a caring school where pupils enjoy learning and reach their full potential in a Christian environment.

We ask each child and family to support us in this aim through our "Home/School Agreement".

#### As a school we will endeavour to:

- Provide an interesting, balanced education that strives to meet each child's individual needs, in an atmosphere conducive to learning.
- Provide a supportive, caring and stimulating environment, where children can confidently ask for help and advice on any matter.
- Promote a Christian ethos.
- Work in partnership with parents.
- Keep parents informed about school activities through regular letters home and an "open door" policy.
- The school is committed to providing opportunities for professional development of staff to maintain and improve the standards of teaching.

# We ask parents to:

- Be involved in their child(ren)'s education and the life of the school.
- Support children in homework and other opportunities for home learning.
- Attend parents evenings and discussions about their child(ren)'s progress.
- Let the school know of any concerns that might affect their child(ren)'s work or behaviour
- Ensure that their child(ren) wears school uniform, is properly equipped and ready for work.
- Inform the school as soon as possible if their child(ren) is unable to attend school and ensure that they arrive and depart from school at the appropriate time.
- Consider walking to school whenever possible to ease traffic congestion. Use the "park and walk" facility from the Stag and Hounds.

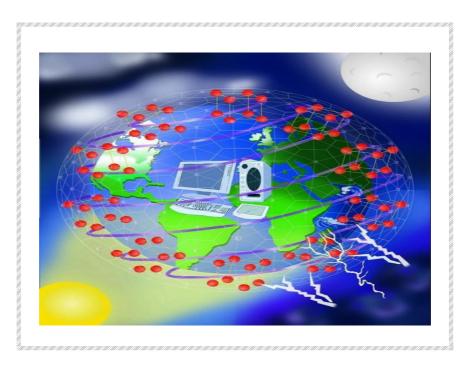
# **Pupils Promise**

- 1. listen carefully and follow instructions
- 2. follow the agreed classroom rules
- 3. work hard in class, do my best and allow others to do the same
- 4. complete my homework and return it on time
- 5. remember to pass letters between home and school immediately
- 6. take care of the school environment
- 7. bring all the equipment I need every day
- 8. wear the school uniform and take pride in my appearance
- 9. show consideration of others feelings, cultures and beliefs
- 10. display high standards of behaviour inside and outside the school and on visits

# 6. RESPONSIBLY USE THE COMPUTERS & INTERNET

As part of your child's curriculum and the development of ICT skills, Churchill Primary School provides supervised access to the Internet. We believe that the use of the World Wide Web and e-mail is worthwhile and is an essential skill for children as they grow.

Our School Internet Service Provider (ISP) operates a filtering system that restricts access to inappropriate materials. Whilst every endeavour is made to ensure that suitable restrictions are placed on the ability of children to access inappropriate materials, the school, or the ISP, cannot be held responsible for the nature or content of materials accessed through the Internet. The school will not be liable for any damages arising from your child's use of the Internet facilities.



# ACCEPTABLE USE OF THE INTERNET

We use the school computers and Internet connection for learning. These rules will help us to be fair to others and keep everyone safe:

- On the network, I will only use only my own network login and password, which is also known by my teacher.
- I will not look at or delete other people's files.
- I will not bring floppy disks data CDs or other computer media into school without permission.
- I will only e-mail people my teacher has approved.
- The messages I send will be polite and sensible.
- When sending e-mail, I will not give my home address or phone number or arrange to meet anyone.
- I will not open an e-mail or an e-mail attachment sent by someone I do not know.
- If I see anything I am unhappy with or I receive messages I do not like, I will tell a teacher immediately.
- I know that the school may check my computer files and may monitor the Internet sites I visit and any emails I send or receive.
- I understand that if I deliberately break these rules, I could be stopped from using the Internet or computers.
- The source of all materials downloaded from the Internet must be acknowledged in my work.
- I will only use the Internet for school work.

The school may exercise its right by electronic means to monitor the use of the school's computer systems, including the monitoring of web-sites, the interception of e-mail and the deletion of inappropriate materials in circumstances where it believes unauthorised use of the school's computer system is or may be taking place, or the system is or may be being used for criminal purposes or for storing text or imagery which is unauthorised or unlawful.

# **PERMISSION**

I have	read the permission information and agree that:
	my childis a pupil at Churchill C.E.V.C. ry School, he/she can:
	Walk accompanied in the local area
	Be taken to the doctors' surgery or hospital in an emergency
	Have photographs and work published on the website or in Newspapers
	Use the school library
	Use the Internet, following the rules set out
	Will follow the guidelines of the Home/School Agreement.
Name	(Parent/Guardian in block capitals)
Signed (Parent/Guardian)	
Date .	



#### QUESTIONS, WORRIES OR COMPLAINTS

# ?!?!?!?!

At some stage during your time with us, questions, worries or complaints may arise. It is important to deal with these quickly, so your first "port of call" is your child's class teacher - either pop in before or after school or make an appointment - don't wait until Parents Evenings!

- If you feel more needs to be done, please speak to one of our Deputy Heads.
- Still not solved? Come and speak to Mrs Tighe (Head Teacher).
- Not happy with the outcome? Please contact our Chair of Governors to discuss the matter.

If, in the unlikely event, that you still have no solution, please contact North Somerset Council - Education Department. A full version of our complaints procedure is available, on request, from the school office.

# CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS

Please let us know immediately:

- 1. Change of address, home / work/ emergency telephone number.
- 2. Lateness or early departure. If you child is leaving school early, please come to the main entrance by the school office to bring/collect them and sign your child in/out.
- 3. If your child cannot take part in P.E. activities for whatever reason.



# Local Information

#### **DOCTORS**

#### **CHEMISTS**

Wrington Vale Medical Practice (Churchill & Wrington) Tel: 01934 862532 The Churchill & Wrington Surgeries dispense their medicines

The Surgery
Station Road
Congresbury
Tel: 01934 83

The Cross Pharmacy
3 Broad Street, Congresbury
Tel: 01934 832062

Tel: 01934 832158

Wrington Chemist
Silver Street, Wrington
Tel: 01934 862369

#### HEALTH VISITOR

Based at the Wrington Vale Medical Practice

# SECONDARY SCHOOLS

# Tel: 01934 862380 Broadoak Windwhistle Road

Weston-super-Mare
Tel 01934 629106

# **DENTISTS**

# Chew Valley

Station Road Dental
Practice
1 Railway Wharf

Chew Lane, Chew Magna Tel: 01275 332272

Station Road, Wrington Tel: 01934 863363

Churchill Community School

Churchill Green
Churchill

Tel: 01934 852771

Kings of Wessex

Station Road

Cheddar

Tel: 01934 742608

Worle

Redwing Drive

Worle

Weston-super-Mare

Tel: 01934 345555

Wyvern

Marchfields Way

Weston-super-Mar

Tel: 01934 629307

NURSERIES & PRE-SCHOOLS

Langford Nursery

Langford House

Langford

Tel: 01934 853237

The Secret Garden

Nursery & Pre-school

The Barns

Brinsea Road

Tel: 01934 853350

Churchill Pre-school

Memorial Hall

Ladymead Lane

Churchill

Tel: 01934 852945

OFSTED REGISTERED

**CHILDMINDERS** 

Sue Tucker

Tel: 01934 852178

Nicki Bristow

Tel: 01934 862912

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL

CARE

Churchill Kids Club @

Churchill Primary

Valerie Pain

Tel: 07756355628

NATIONAL CHILDBIRTH

TRUST

Tel: 01275 849854

CHURCHILL MOTHER &

**TODDLERS** 

Mondays 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Churchill Methodist Hall

Front Street, Churchill

Tel: Nicki Bristow on

01934 862912

Churchill Sports Centre

Churchill Green

Churchill

Winscombe

BS25 5QL

Tel: (01934) 852303

**CHURCHES** 

St John's C of E

Churchill

Rev Leigh Machell

Tel: 01934 852925

St Mary's C of E

Langford

Methodist Church

Front Street, Churchill

Langford Evangelical

Church

Blackmoor, Langford

CHURCHILL MEMORIAL

HALL

Booking Secretary -Cheryl Fudge

Tel: 01934 852 332

VILLAGE FUND

Lesley Hegarty

Tel: 01934 852678

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

GANG

Libby Cook

Tel: 01934 852925

**GUIDES** 

Ruth Beadle

Tel: 01934 852918

**BROWNIES** 

Maureen:

Tel: 01934 853065

**RAINBOWS** 

Lucy

Tel: 01934 633 404