

### CHRIST CHURCH CofE VC JUNIORS

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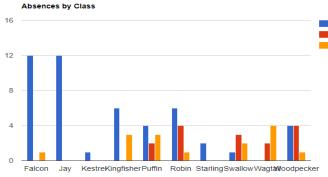
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### Calm, focussed and settled!

What a pleasure to see all our new starters looking so settled and confident as they make CCJ their school. In service this week I introduced our value of the term 'love' and we considered how many different forms love takes. Miss Friend on Friday then shared the revamped celebration service where every teacher gets to award the child in their class with the certificate. Everywhere I look this week I am amazed by the breadth of art, PE, science and topics that are going on as well as starting our maths and English topics – children seem so engaged with their learning! Mrs Osborne



Attendance/ Absence request / Sickness Please report all sickness or absence to the school phone 01454 866516 or email christchurchjuniors@sgmail.org.uk (NOT to Mrs Osborne!)

Absence request forms need to be completed for any exams, appointments etc

Term time holiday will be unauthorised holiday and may result in a fixed penalty notice from the local authority.

Class	% Att
Kestrel	99.69
Starling	99.46
Wagtail	99.44
Swallow	98.93
Puffin	98.27
Kingfisher	98.15
Woodpecker	97.77
Robin	97.22
Jay	96.67
Falcon	96
Whole School	98.19

### **School Money**

School Money is now back up and running. We would be grateful if all school dinner money and trip payments are made via this system as this year we would like to move away from taking cash payments at school. If you are having problems logging on to your smart phone/tablet please check that the password is all lower case and that you are logging into PARENT section of school money. Please note that should we receive a payment by cheque, these will only be banked monthly.

### Front Reception - Polite Notice

First thing in the mornings is one of the busiest times of the day for the office staff. It is vital time when pupils' attendance and dinners are input and checked.

Therefore can we please ask that any non-urgent queries or questions that you may have wait until later on in the day, after 9:30am? Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

### **Diary Dates**

### September

17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> - Y5/6 swimming all week Tuesday 18th – Year 4 Barton Meeting 3:30pm Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> – Individual school photos Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Life Skills Trip Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Trip to MShed

### October

Wednesday 11-Friday 13th Year 4 Barton Camp Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> – 5/6AD class assembly Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> – LB Trip to Bristol Zoo Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> – Parents Evening 1 (TBC) Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Parents Evening 2 (TBC) Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> – 6RH class assembly Friday 26th - End of Term 1

### November

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Inset Day Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Start of Term 2

### **Premier Sports Term 1 After School Clubs**

Responding to feedback from the children, we have made a few small changes to the after school clubs for Term 1

Monday - Sports Academy Years 3-6 Tuesday - Gymnastics Years 3-6 Wednesday - Football Years 3-6 Thursday - Dodgeball 3-6



To book any after school clubs, you can book online at: https://www.premier-education.com/

### Class Assemblies - Term 1

This term will see 5/6 AD and 6RH host their Class Assemblies. The children always thoroughly enjoy showing what they have been learning in class and it would be lovely to see parents and carers there.

5/6 AD Wednesday 17th October 6RH Wednesday 24th October

### Individual/Sibling photos

A reminder that individual school photos will take place



on *Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September*. Please make sure that children are ready with their hair brushed and clean shirts!

Photos will be on sale shortly after this date.

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## School Trips in Term 1



Letters have been going home about the exciting trips this term! Please ensure that payments are made via Schools Money by the deadline given. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Year 6 - Life Skills

Year 6 will be visiting the Life Skills Centre on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September. The children's programme aims to show pupils that they should be taking personal responsibility for their own safety. During the trip children will learn how to assess risk and cope with difficult situations.

### Year 5 - M Shed

Year 5 will be visiting the M Shed on **Thursday 27**<sup>th</sup> **September**. During the trip the children learn about the history of Bristol through amazing film and photographs, listen to moving personal stories, encounter rare and quirky objects and add their own memories through the interactive displays.

### **Lower Band - Bristol Zoo Trip**

The Lower Band will be visiting Bristol Zoo to learn more about the rainforest environment as part of this term's topic. Year 4 +3/4SG will visit the zoo on **Thursday 18th October** and Year 3 will visit on **Friday 19th October**.

### Year 4 - Barton Camp

Year 4 will be going to Barton Camp from  $\mathbf{11}^{th} - \mathbf{13}^{th}$  October.

Please come and hear a bit more about the camp and what to expect on **Tuesday 18**<sup>th</sup> **September** after school at 3.30pm with the Year 4 team. This is a great opportunity to ask any questions and alleviate any concerns - we look forward to seeing you there!

### **Friends of CCJ Meeting**

The Friends of Christ Church Juniors AGM meeting is being held at CCJ on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 9am. Everyone is invited to join us for a cup of tea to share some fresh ideas about events and methods of working together as we would love a class rep for each class. If you have any questions or would like to help but can't make this date please let the office know so we can pass this on to the Friends. Thanks.

### **Data Collection Forms**

Data collection forms will be coming home with your children next week. Please return these as soon as possible. For your childs protection it is so important that all contact information; address, phone numbers and email addresses are correct.

For your child's protection we need a minimum of two emergency contact numbers per child. At least one MUST have custody of the pupil. The more details we have, the easier we can get in touch if needed.

### **House Cup**

The winners of House Cup this week back are....
Phoenix House! Congratulations!



### **Parent Link Workers**

At CCJ we have two parent link workers, Mrs Sally Payne and Mrs Kate Thatcher who are another point of contact for families needing advice or help. Feel free to catch them any time or email <a href="mailto:ccjparentsupport@sgmail.org.uk">ccjparentsupport@sgmail.org.uk</a>

### **Upper Band swimming**

All children need to be able to swim 25m unaided by the end of Y6 so any Y5/6 still developing this skill will be swimming every day next week. Please ensure you send their towel and swimming kit every day and that it is labelled. We also need each one to go home daily to dry or they will go mouldy! Some may return 10 minutes late daily.

### **Parent Code of Conduct**

Unfortunately we have seen an increase in parents taking situations into their own hands and targeting other people's children and parents. We have therefore put together a Parent Code of Conduct which we have attached to this email. Although it is an unsigned contract between the school and our parents we expect all CCJ Parents to adhere to it. If you have any queries regarding this, please feel free to contact Mrs Osborne.