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#### In this week's newsletter......

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#### **Parent Helpers Needed**

Some of you have been very kindly approaching the office or class teachers to volunteer your help in school. Yes please! We love help and this can be in any number of ways from help hearing readers to help with forest schools, help with a one off event or even help in the office. If you would like more information about helping at Christ Church Junior or you would like to volunteer a little bit of your time, then please complete the slip below and return it to the office, or feel free to mention it to the team in person. We do need all regular volunteers to have a DBS safeguarding check, but the school can arrange and pay for this to happen. Thank you!

#### **Spelling Strategies**

Are you looking for new ways to practise spellings?

We know that every child learns spellings differently so watch out for some top tips in the newsletter over the next few weeks to find a strategy that works for your child.

## Strategy of the Week Play It Back

Record your child spelling out each word from their weekly spellings on your smartphone or tablet (in a funny voice if possible). When your child is practising their spellings, ask them to write down each word and then let them play their own voice reading back the correct spelling. It's amazing how much this can amuse and motivate!

#### Year 6 WWII Day

Year 6 have had a fantastic World War II themed day today. The children were 'evacuated' to the hall where they were picked for their activities. Everyone had the chance to repair their clothes in our 'Make Do and Mend' session, prepare the allotment for winter in our 'Dig for Victory' activity, cook wartime food and play traditional games. We finished with a VE Day celebration!

## Downend Round Table Fireworks Display

Tickets are now on sale via Schools Money
Thanks to the CCJ Friends who will then
send the tickets purchased home in book bags.

£7 Adult £5 children under 3's are free.

£1 for every ticket sold goes to the school.

The Round Table are also running a poster competition which runs until the 19th October. Age groups 3-5, 6-8, 9-11. Design a poster and email to media@downendrt.co.uk to be in with a chance to win a family pack (2 adults, 2 children tickets) and vouchers for free glow in the dark toys available at the event.

#### Christmas Cards - Friday 9th Nov deadline

Over the last couple of weeks, all classes have been busy creating some Christmas art for Christmas cards. Although this feels very early, there is a turnaround time for any orders and we want to make sure we get them back in plenty of time to send them out to friends and relatives.

By half term, class teachers will be sending home the artwork on the order form. Please could you either do nothing and just keep the art, or complete the order form and send the completed form and art work to the office. We will need all orders in by the end of the first week of term 2 - Friday 9th November. This will allow us to collate them all and send them to the company for processing. They should then be back with you for sending by the end of November.



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#### Remembrance Day Competition

CCJ are running a joint colouring competition with CCI for Remembrance Sunday. The winner from each school will be able to lay a poppy wreath on behalf of CCJ/CCI at the Paige Park Remembrance Parade on the morning of Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018. (*Therefore entrants must be able to attend this day.*) To enter, please draw, paint or colour a poppy in whatever style you like on A4 paper. The deadline for CCJ entries is Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October to the main office please. FAO Mrs Cleave

#### <u>CCJ Friends Quiz Night - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November</u>

7pm-10pm CCJ School Hall.

Teams of 8 people maximum (make up your own team or we can put teams together on the night)

£5 per ticket to include nibbles. Adults only and bar.

We will now take cash payments with the closing date of Friday 26th October we will need cash, names and child's name and class in the CCJ Friends post box.

Parent pay will remain open for payment until end of day Thursday 8th November.

Please do come along for a great night and the chance to meet others and show off your knowledge!

Love is patient, Love is kind
Ot always protects,
always trusts, always hopes,
always perseveres.
Love Never Fails.

#### 6RH Class Assembly - 24th October

Don't forget 6RH are having their class assembly on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 2:45pm.

The children have been working really hard and are looking forward to showing off their work! It would be lovely to see the parent and carers there

#### **Premier Sports**

Premier Sports will be running holiday camps at Christ Church Infants and Juniors during October half term; to book a whole day or half day of fun for your child please visit www.premier-education.com or contact 07476032239.

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October & Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October Venue at CCJ. Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October & Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November Venue at CCI Activities will include nerf, wet'n'wild, football, dodgeball, fencing, archery, gymnastics and lots more!

#### **Missing Wrist Bands**

Our school trip wristbands have somehow reduced from 250 to a sad 75. Please could we ask that you have a look around the house to see if any have been accidential brought home with the children. Thank you.

#### House Cup

Congratulations to this week's winners of The House Cup.... **HIPPOCAMPS!** Well Done!

#### **Bookworm Wednesday!**

Calling all parents, carers, aunties, uncles and grandparents: Come and join us to share the magic of reading! Our fantastic library will be open as a trial every **Wednesday** during term 2 from **8:30am until 8:45am**. Bring your child along to browse our extensive selection of books, get recommendations from our wonderful librarian (Ms Sinfield), and borrow books to read at home or even just share a book with your child before school on our comfy sofa! Please note: all children must be accompanied by an adult.



### **Diary Dates**

#### October

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> – Parents Evening 2 Weds 24<sup>th</sup>- PP Coffee Morning Weds 24<sup>th</sup> – 6RH Class Assembly Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> – Colouring deadline Friday 26<sup>th</sup> – End of Term 1

#### **November**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Inset Day

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Start of Term 2 Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> library session Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> – Dr Bike (am) Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – Friends Quiz Night Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – Christmas card deadline Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Flu Y3/Y4/Y5 **only** 

#### ATTENDANCE FOR WEEK ENDING 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018

CLASS	%ATTENDANCE
Jay	99.3
Robin	99.3
Woodpecker	99
Swallow	98.1
Kestrel	97.8
Starling	97.7
Wagtail	97.6
Kingfisher	95.8
Puffin	95.2
Falcon	94
WHOLE SCHOOL	97.5%

Red = Below 92% Amber = 92-96% Green = 97+%

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