Friday 12th January 2024 – N°16



Newsletter

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Our value this term: Generosity

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Generosity

This week we have been exploring our Christian value of generosity. In Wednesday's whole-school assembly, we reflected on how being generous with our time, actions and words can have a huge impact on those around us.



Children from each class shared examples of artwork that they had created during their class worship earlier in the week. These are now displayed on our worship board in the hall, which we update every term.

It was brilliant to see the variety of creative ideas the children had to represent generosity and the thoughtful reflections they had made about how they can be generous in their day-to-day lives.



Menu Change Thursday 18th January

Hotdog / Veggie Served with Chips & Tomato Sauce

Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Chips

Baked Beans and Salad Bar

Chocolate Chip Cookies

Thank you!

Thank you to the Stanley family who very kindly donated some wonderful books for our library. This is a lovely donation and we look forward to the children reading them.



Weekly Celebration Certificate



Each week, one pupil from each class is awarded a celebration certificate for going above and beyond. This week's winners are:

Starlings	Ellíe & Cole
Swallows	Eloíse
Woodpeckers	Mylee
Robins	Eva
Wagtails	Ava
Jays	Jacob
Puffins	Lucas
Kingfishers	Matvíí
Kestrels	Тотоуа
Falcons	Arabella

Outstanding Stone Age Day Payments

Unfortunately, there are still some outstanding payments for the Stone Age Day that was held last term. Please go on to your ParentPay to check that you have paid it, and if not please make payment. We couldn't hold these days without your contributions. Thank you for your cooperation.

Year 6 – SATs Bundle

An email has gone out regarding SATs bundles for Year 6 pupils.

If you would like the school to order a set of books for your child at a discounted price of **£6.50**, please make payment via Parent Pay by

Monday 29th January

Alternatively, you can order a bundle direct via the following link https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primarybooks/ks2/maths-english/emxb24-complete-ks2maths-and-english-10 for a retail price of £14.00

If your child is currently in receipt of Free School Meals, we will use government funding to order a set of books for them so you DO NOT need to do

anything.



HALLS



Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Desmond



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Meet the Pupil Attendance Team

Hi! Mrs Dennett and I, Mrs Byrom, have recently become part of the attendance team at CCJ. We hope that your children are settling back well after the Christmas break. Our role is to support children and families with attendance in school. We're here to support you and your children with any worries or barriers you may be facing which may impact on your child's attendance. This may be reluctance to attend school, sleep routines, behaviour or other family issues you would like support with. We can offer you help to try to overcome the issues and encourage a more positive outlook.

As a school, we can also offer food bank vouchers to any families who may need that help.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you or your child would like our support.



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Snow Forecast

As the weather is due to get even colder next week, please can you ensure that your child has a coat in school at all times along with hat, scarf or gloves if required.

In the event of the school needing to close due to heavy snowfall, this will be shown on South Gloucestershire County Council website along with being announced on the local radio. We will also communicate the closure to you via text message and email, so please check your devices. If you do not hear that the school is shut, this is because the school remains open and children are expected in.

Thank you!

We would like to say a big thank you to the Rotary Clubs of Kingswood, Fishponds & Downend who have very kindly donated £200 towards specialist equipment at CCJ. We are very grateful for your generosity.



Is your child(ren) entitled to a free school meal? Don't miss out on the benefit-related Free School Meal offer. You can quickly check if you are eligible and apply

at www.southglos.gov.uk/schoolmeals

A hot, freshly prepared meal at lunchtime can help with learning, concentration, and positive behaviour. This will also entitle you to free CCJ uniform and help towards trips, clubs and music



Take Ten Mindfulness & Creativity



Creative activities can be fun for all the family, and sitting down together to create something can be a good bonding exercise,

stimulating conversation and encouraging sharing. Here is a simple idea to try. Take a clean jam jar, decorate it and fill it with things that will cheer you

up and make you feel positive. They could be written affirmations, little toys, sparkly gems or smooth pebbles: anything that brings you joy and



makes you feel calm.

Have a lovely weekend Mrs Eatwell

Morning Club

This week Morning Club kindly used their breaktime to sell popcorn to the children. By doing this they raised a fantastic £17.02! Well done Morning Club! ©









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RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch

For one hour between 26th and 28th January count the birds that you see in your garden, from your balcony or local park.

Record the total for each bird in the boxes on the count chart and submit your entry.

Join others on social media for Birdwatch tips and tricks, and to share your stories and pics #BigGardenBirdWatch

The results form including more information is attached to this email. Have fun, and good luck! ©



A safe, warm and friendly place for families to enjoy drinks, snacks, games and activities together.

CHURCH

Pendennis Road. Car Park available. Please use the side entrance.



CCJ University Lunchtime Club

Come and earn a sticker. This runs every lunchtime – everyone is welcome!

Next week's activity is Pointillism. Pointillism is a technique of painting in which small, distinct dots of colour are applied in patterns to form an image.

Children can come and have a go at a piece of art and earn a sticker.

CCJ dates for your diary

January

Wed 17th – Eco Warriors trip to Javelin Park EfW Mon 29th – Athletics Young Leaders Mon 29th – Athletics Swallow & Starling Wed 31st – Athletics Wagtail, Robin & Woodpecker

February

Thurs 1st – Athletics Jay, Puffin & Kingfisher Fri 2nd – Athletics Kestrel & Falcon Mon 5th – Fri 9th – Book Fayre Thurs 8th – Upper Band Homework Museum Fri 9th – CCJ Children's University

Fri 9th – End of Term 3 Mon 19th – Start of Term 4

March

Mon 11th – Roman Museum Trip *(Robins & Wagtails)* Thurs 14th – Roman Museum Trip *(Woodpecker, Swallows & Starling)* Mon 25th – Easter Service **Thurs 28th – INSET DAY Thurs 28th – End of Term 4**







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