



## Pupil leadership – creating the future!

At CCJ, we have lots of opportunities for pupil leadership – worship leaders, digital leaders, school councillors and eco warriors to name a few! In addition to this, every year 6 child in the school has a position of responsibility including librarians, tuck monitors, house captains and much more. This means that by the time children leave us to move on to secondary school, each and every child will have had an opportunity to experience a leadership role. As part of our vision *learning to live life in all its fullness*, we want every child to be inspired to create the future.

This week, our eco warriors and year 6 lunch hall monitors went on a trip to the Gloucestershire Energy From Waste facility (the big green building on the right of the M5 as you drive past Gloucester!). They learned all about how Gloucestershire's waste is used to produce energy and have been inspired to think about new ways to help reduce waste and ensure that any waste we do make is put to good use. Next week, we have another trip for our leaders planned: our worship leaders will be visiting the Christ Church's warm space on Thursday.



*Have a lovely weekend, Mr Desmond*

## Stone Age Day Contributions

There are still a few outstanding payments for the Stone Age Day that was held last term. We couldn't hold these special days for the children without your support and would be grateful for any further contributions towards this event.

Thank you for your ongoing support.



## 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	Ivy
Swallows	Elena
Woodpeckers	William
Robins	Rafferty
Wagtails	Sophia
Jays	Henry
Puffins	Kate
Kingfishers	Indigo
Kestrels	Ethan
Falcons	India

## CCJ Dodgeball

Last week CCJ put a little Dodgeball team together and headed for Mangotsfield Secondary school. There was lots of dodging, diving and ducking - and that was just the parents!! It was a great little tournament and yet again the children didn't let us down. We managed to finish 2nd overall with the children playing amazingly and showing all those skills they learnt last term in PE. Well done team CCJ! *Mr Green*





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## Deanfield

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

We are excited for Year 6's trip to Deanfield in June this year. An email has been sent out with the full information. If you haven't received this, please contact the school office.

There is a £76 (£38 for Free School Meals children) non-refundable deposit required by all pupils paid via ParentPay. The deadline for this payment is **31<sup>st</sup> January** to reserve a place.

If you are having trouble making this payment, please contact Mrs Osborne or Mr Desmond by this date.



## Take Ten Are you worried about someone?



Are you worried about a loved one? Are you wondering if they are really as "okay", as they say they are?

- \* Trust your gut. If you have a strong feeling something is wrong, you are probably correct.
- \* Ask twice. We can all be guilty of quickly answering "Fine thanks". Ask again, "Are you really fine?"
- \* Be a friend. Don't try to fix the problem yourself. Sometimes people just need someone to listen.
- \* Ask them to "traffic light" their day: red/amber/green. What does this tell you?

*Have a lovely weekend  
Mrs Eatwell*

## CCJ dates for your diary ....

### January

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> – Athletics Young Leaders

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> – Athletics Swallow & Starling

Wed 31<sup>st</sup> – Athletics Wagtail, Robin & Woodpecker

### February

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> – Athletics Jay, Puffin & Kingfisher

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> – Athletics Kestrel & Falcon

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> – Fri 9<sup>th</sup> – Book Fayre

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> – Upper Band Homework Museum

Fri 9<sup>th</sup> – CCJ Children's University

**Fri 9<sup>th</sup> – End of Term 3**

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> – Start of Term 4**

### March

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> – Roman Museum Trip  
(Robins & Wagtails)

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> – Roman Museum Trip  
(Woodpecker, Swallows & Starling)

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Easter Service

**Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> – INSET DAY**

**Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> – End of Term 4**

## Year 6 – SATs Bundle

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 29<sup>th</sup> January**

Alternatively, you can order a bundle direct via the following

link <https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primary-books/ks2/maths-english/emxb24-complete-ks2-maths-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.*

## Thank you!

We would like to say a big thank you to Teddy from Kestrel Class and his family for their very generous donation of books. We are extremely grateful and look forward to the children enjoying the books!  
Thank you! ☺



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – N°17



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## RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch

For one hour between 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> 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! 😊

## CCJ University Lunchtime Club

Come and earn a sticker.

This runs every lunchtime - everyone is welcome!

Next week's activity is sign language!

Children can come along and learn how to sign their name!



## GYMNASTICS CLUB

Venue: Christ Church C of E Junior School  
Day: Wednesdays  
Times: 3:15pm - 5pm  
Price: £32.50 per term  
Year Group: yrs 3-6

