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#### **Attendance**

Between now and the end of term we will be sending out letters to parents again regarding your child's attendance. We know what an impact it can have to either miss large chunks of time through holiday or illness or to have many small absences leading to broken weeks, so we are wanting to work with parents to limit absence.

We are monitoring all attendance with the **Educational Welfare Officer** with an aim to ensure every child's attendance is 96% or better over the school year. Please speak with Mrs Osborne or Miss Friend if you would like to discuss your child's absence further. Thank you for your continued support.

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100% -	<ul><li>Excellent attendance (Really positive impact on learning)</li></ul>
98% 98% -	<ul> <li>Expected attendance (Really positive impact on learning)</li> </ul>
96% 95.9%-	Satisfactory attendance     (Cause for concern and action)
93%	<ul> <li>Poor attendance (Concerns raised and changes required)</li> </ul>
90% Below	•Inadequate attendance - 'persistant' absence (immediate changes required)

#### **School Gates**

The school gates will remain locked until 3.15pm each day. This is to ensure privacy for pupils, especially when they are getting changed after a P.E session at the end of the school day.





#### Safer Internet Day 2017

On Tuesday 7th February schools across the country will be learning about e-safety as part of Safer Internet Day. At CCJ we will be thinking about online safety in different activities throughout the week. Please ensure that you use this opportunity to talk to your children about how to be safe online and ask them questions about their online activity - especially if you're not always sure what they are up to on their phones, tablets or PlayStations. Honest and open conversation is always best when it comes to online safety and at CCJ we encourage all of our pupils to report any worrying incidents without fear of being told off or judged. If you have any concerns around online safety or would like any questions answered please see Miss Friend or email her at susan.friend@sgmail.org.uk.



We are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers so please can you put them in the collection box situated in the foyer.



## **Diary Dates February**

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Feb- 3/4LP Class Assembly 9am

**Tues 7<sup>th</sup>** – Safer internet day

Wed 8<sup>th</sup> – 5HN Class Assembly

Weds 8<sup>th</sup>- Interventions open afternoon for parents 1.30pm

Thurs 9<sup>th</sup>- Cross Country Event

Mon 13<sup>th</sup> - Fri 17th - Half Term

Mon 20<sup>th</sup> – Inset Day

Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> – 6pm PGL parents meeting for year 6 in School Hall

Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> - 3.25 - 4.25 Fizz Pop

After School Club

#### March

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup>-World Book Day

Weds 8<sup>th</sup>-4LW Class Assembly

Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> -4GE Class Assembly

Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup>-Parents Evening 1

Tues 28<sup>th</sup>-Parents Evening 2



Dates correct at time of publication – dates will be updated every week on the newsletter.



# **House Cup**



This week Team Phoenix won the house cup!

A child from each class was also awarded a certificate for their effort in maths.

#### **Newsletters**

We are very pleased at the success of sending the weekly newsletter via email, therefore the paper version will no longer be issued after half term.

If you would prefer to receive a paper version then please let the office know the name and class of your child.



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#### **Uniform Shop**

A reminder that uniform (with or without a logo) can be ordered directly from Tesco at www.tesco.com/ues. Our school postcode (BS16 5JJ) can be entered or the school name. Book bags are also available to order online for anyone who requires them. There will no longer be a uniform shop held in school as the volunteers who were running the shop, for the Friends, can no longer commit to the change in supplier. Please remember that if your child has received free schools meals within the last six years, we can pay for a uniform package on their behalf. Please see Mrs Osborne or the school office.

#### **Bromley Heath Viaduct**

There will be another meeting at Bromley Heath Infants School. This is provisionally booked for 6.30pm, 8th February. The decision was taken at the ECS Committee to start the works on the Viaduct in the early Summer and continue the project to completion. Any extra funds that can be secured will then reduce the timescales accordingly and hopefully we can obtain the full £3.7 million to bring the works down from 52 weeks to 22 weeks. This will include the things we have previously discussed such as Cyclists, the works compound location and alternative routes.

# Christ Church Downend Annual Panto This Sunday

Cinderella and her friends may be more keen on Converses than glass slippers, and in getting an education and living a full life than marrying a prince, but the magic is still there in our up to date version of Cinderella, our pantomime service at Christ Church Downend on Sunday 5th February at 10.30 am. It's a free Panto, you don't need to reserve a ticket, just turn up at the door!

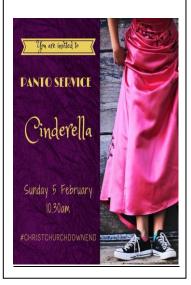
### Intervention afternoon – 8<sup>th</sup> Feb

We are running another intervention demonstration afternoon on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> from 1.30pm. This is an opportunity to look at some of the programmes and resources we use to help children with additional or special needs from dyslexia to catch up programmes. The teaching assistants and our SENCO Mrs Groves will be available to demonstrate them and to answer any questions you may have. All are welcome!

#### **FRIENDS of Christ Church Schools**

The Friends have got various fund raising events and ideas coming up that need volunteers to help with planning, organising and running them. Any support is always welcome, even if just for a few hours or for one event. If you think you may be able to help in some way, then please get in touch with the Friends committee at

friendsofchristchurchschools@gmail.com



#### **Children's Activities at Downend Library**

#### **Learning Shapes**

Have fun learning about shapes at this interactive Explore Learning workshop Wednesday 15 February, 2-3 pm, most suitable for ages 5-7

Book your free ticket by popping into the library or by calling 0117 3709702

#### **Purrfect Pets**

Drop in for fishy, feathery, furry and fun crafts and activities!

#### Year 6 PGL Liddington

Please may we request that all outstanding balances for the year 6 visit are due to be paid in full by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. Please **do not** send cash into the office via your child, payment by cheque is preferred.

If there are any difficulties in meeting this deadline then please speak to the office team

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