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Date 12th January 2018

Generosity

This term our value is generosity, so in service this week we explored the bible story from Luke 21 of 'the Widow's offering'. We considered that not everyone has the same amount to give to someone else and how we should be grateful to people no matter the size of their gift as we never know how much it may have cost them to give it to us. We will continue to explore generosity this term in collective worship and as always we love hearing from any parents who feel they may be able to share something linked to their jobs or lives within collective worship.

Mrs Osborne



School Clubs



Mon 8th Jan – Mon 5th Feb **Y3/4 Football** 3:20pm-4:20pm
Mon 8th Jan – Mon 5th Feb **Choir** 3:20pm-4:20pm
Tues 9th Jan – Tues 6th Feb **Y5/6 Invasion Games** 3:20pm-4:20pm
Tues 9th Jan – Tues 6th Feb **Dance Mash Up** 8am-8:45am
Tues 9th Jan – Tues 6th Feb **Archaeology** 3:20pm-4:20pm
Weds 10th Jan – Wed 7th Feb **Art Club** 3:20pm-4:20pm
Weds 10th Jan – Wed 7th Feb **Majestics Gym** 8:15am – 8:45am
Thurs 11th Jan – Wed 8th Feb **Drama** 3:20pm-4:20pm
Fri 12th Jan – Fri 9th Feb **Dance Mash Up** 8am-8:45am

Pupil Premium Coffee Afternoon – 9th February

The Pupil Premium Coffee Afternoon will be held at 2:45pm on 9th February. This is fantastic opportunity for the children to show you their work and achievements so far this year. Mrs Osborne and Miss Friend will be there to share what the children have been doing and to answer any questions that you have. Please come along for a coffee and a slice of cake! Invites will follow soon.

Reception September 2018 Closing Date.

Children born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014 are due to start school in September 2018. The closing date for applications is **15 January 2018**. Please note applications received late may not get their preferred school even if they have a sibling already in attendance.

Applications should be made to the local authority where the child lives; regardless of the location of the school they are requesting. For more information or for South Gloucestershire residents to apply online parents can go to www.southglos.gov.uk/admissions. If parents' need help with the application process please telephone the contact centre on 01454 868008.

Diary Dates

January

Monday 15th – Year of Maths Day
Wednesday 17th – Y4 Last Swimming Session
Tuesday 23rd – Lower Band Roman Day
Thursday 25th – 3.30pm Parents SATs meeting
Monday 29th – 9am Parent Council Meeting
Wednesday 31st – 2:45pm 4RH Class Assembly

February

Friday 2nd – 9am Active Reading and Reading Workshop for parents
Wednesday 7th – Year 6 @ Concorde
Wednesday 7th – 2:45pm 4GE Class Assembly
Thursday 8th – Reading Emporium
Friday 9th – 2:45pm Pupil Premium Coffee Afternoon
Friday 9th – End of Term 3
Monday 19th – Start of Term 4
Tuesday 20th – 3:30pm PGL Parents Meeting

Inset Days 2018/2019

Please note the inset days for CCJ & CCI:

Mon 3rd Sep 2018

Mon 5th Nov 2018

Fri 15th Feb 2019

Tue 23rd Apr 2019

Fri 28th June 2019

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

Attendance

Thank you for your continued focus on attendance. There are far fewer term time holidays now which really aids learning and allows us to support your child's education.



Red = Below 92%

Amber = 92-96%

Green = 97+%

Well done to 6LW who achieved an amazing 100%!



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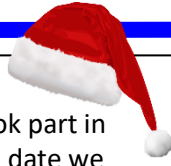
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Santa Run

Well done to everyone who took part in our Santa Run in December. To date we have raised a fantastic £940.47! We will be donating half of the money to Macmillan Cancer Research, and the other half will be used towards iPads. Thank you to the school council for organising this!



Future Stars After School Clubs

Is your child looking for a new, fun & exciting sporting experience? We are providing after school clubs at CCJ on a **Tuesday in terms 3&4**

For further information on dates, activities & bookings - Follow this link (<https://www.futurestarscoaching.co.uk/book-after-school-clubs>) find your school & book online today!



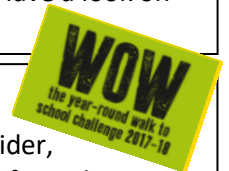
Why not try..... looking at maps and satellite photos of famous places or your local area? Can you use the scale to work out approximate distances and work out the direction of one place from another using compass points?

Interest Groups

Our newspaper interest group have created their first edition of 'The CCJ Times'. This week our intrepid reporters have been out and about finding out about the interest groups. Have a look on your child's class page for the link each week

WOW - Walking to School

Thank you to all the many families who joined Strider, Mrs Martin and Mrs Osborne in walking to school from the Co-op carpark on Monday to launch our new 'park and stride' zone. We are also very grateful to the Co-op in Downend for kindly agreeing to parents parking in their car park at the start and end of the day. It is incredible to see the difference in the level of safety for our children on the school grounds during these busy periods and I feel that gradually the congestion is beginning to ease on the surrounding roads too so thank you for your continued support with this. Thank you too for all the positive feedback from parents – we are so glad it is working!



**YOU DO
NOT HAVE
TO BE RICH
TO BE
GENEROUS.**

Swimming

Wednesday 17th January will be the last swimming session for Year 4. Non swimmers will start their lessons after half term. Letters regarding this will be sent next week.



Contact Information

Thank you to all parents who have contacted the office to update contact details. If you haven't already done so, please can you do so that we hold up to date contact details for you. Should the school be required to contact you, phone numbers, address and email address need to be correct.

Dr Bike

Thank you to South Glos' Dr Bike for coming into school this week. She was able to check bikes, to ensure they are safe and road worthy. If you are interested in having yours or your child's bike checked another time, please let the office know and another date can be organised.

Roman Day

Just to remind you that Roman Day for Lower Band is on **Tuesday 23rd January**. If children need any ideas or inspiration for costumes please speak to your class teachers. Please do not feel you need to buy anything – a sheet and card are great!



School Dinners



Next week will be week 2 on the dinner menu. However, there is a slight change to the Menu on **Thursday 18th** - this will now be Hotdogs, Quorn Dogs and Jacket Wedges. This is because it is our census and the more children eating lunch, the greater our year's budget!