



CHRIST CHURCH CofE VC JUNIORS

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Newsletter 17:

Date 19th January 2018

CCJ Head's for the Day

We are writing this blurb because we were given the opportunity to be head for a day, as part of our prize for winning the Xmas Factor. This week we were really proud of our lower band who earned their swimming badges as it was their last swimming session. Also, on Tuesday CCJ choir and two other schools (St. Augustine and Hanham Abbots) had a rehearsal for Colston Hall concert with Cara Clark, our singing instructor. It was a great opportunity to learn new songs and make new friends.

Maya, Sophia, Yasmin, Erica and Annabel (Year 5).

CCJ News!

Please [click on this link](#) and then navigate to your child's class page to see Mr Desmond's Interest Group Newspaper – recipes, articles, games and photos. You can find additional information about the current topic, homework and events happening in your child's class there too!

The CCJ Times

Edition Two: Thursday 18th January 2018
Available online on **your** class page!

Six heads better than one?

By Haben, Mahir and Omar



Diary Dates

January

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
Wednesday 31st - 3.20pm-5pm Friends Film Night

February

Friday 2nd - 9am Active Reading and Reading Workshop for parents
Wednesday 7th - Year 6 @ Concorde
Wednesday 7th - Blue Peter Badges (info to follow)
Wednesday 7th - ~~4GE Class Assembly~~ **Cancelled**
Thursday 8th - Reading Emporium
Friday 9th - 2:45pm Pupil Premium Coffee Afternoon
Friday 9th - Cross Country Event
Friday 9th - End of Term 3
Monday 19th - Start of Term 4
Tuesday 20th - 3:30pm PGL Parents Meeting
Dates correct at time of publication – dates will be updated every week on the newsletter

Active Reading Open Doors

Come and join your child's class during reading time at the start of the day on **Friday 26th January**. There will then be a Reading Workshop for parents and carers.

Choir Needs YOU!!

In choir we are currently rehearsing along with many other schools for the joint schools concert in March. It is a great opportunity for us to work with other people and then to perform at the Colston Hall. We have 40 spaces for our school which are almost full but we still have a few spaces remaining and so we want to fill them. If you would like to represent our school and have the opportunity to perform in a professional concert hall then please see the office or Miss Harrison. Choir meets after school every Monday.

Film Night

The Friends of Christ Church Juniors are holding a film night on Wednesday 31st January 3:20pm-5pm

The children can go straight to the school hall at the end of the day where they will be provided with a drink, a bag of popcorn and some fruit.

The cost will be £3.50 per child. Payment can be made in cash or by cheque to The Friends of Christchurch Juniors and should be returned to the school office in an envelope addressed to the Friends by 3:20pm on Friday 26th January.



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 4GE who achieved an amazing 100%!



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Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

If you would like to order an additional Year 6 leavers hoody, please can you let the office know. Payment is not required at the moment- at this stage we just need to gather numbers of interest before placing an order.



Why not try..... discussing and comparing house prices from newspaper house sales pages. Talk about the value of millions, hundred thousands, ten thousands, thousands, hundreds, tens and ones.

Dogs on School Premises

A reminder that as we cannot guarantee that dog owners will have full control over their dogs, **we do not allow dogs onto school premises**. Bringing dogs onto the premises could pose a health and safety risk to our children and could be unsettling for many as they arrive and leave school. There are added risks of dogs fouling, dogs biting or showing aggressive unpredictable behaviour. **The only exception is dogs for the visually impaired or hearing impaired.**



Thank you for your understanding.

Lost Property

Just a reminder that lost property is starting to build up again. Please take the time to check if any of the items in there are your child's. Lost property bins are located in each band.

Staple Hill Neighbourhood Team Coffee with the Cops

Come and meet the local neighbourhood team to discuss any issues affecting the community

10-11am

Thurs 11th, 18th, 25th Jan

Thurs 8th, 15th 22nd Feb

Thurs 1st, 15th, 22nd March

Bean Tree Café, Page Park, Staple Hill



Clothing Bank

A reminder that our fantastic clothing bank is installed in our car park by the kitchen entrance. If you have any old clothing, shoes or soft toys please drop it off at the bank. Thank you!

Premier Sports Half Term Holiday Club

Premier Sports will be running half term drop & shop days at Christ Church Juniors. More details to follow.

Pupil Premium

A reminder that free school meals and free school uniform is available through Pupil Premium funding. If you think your child may be eligible for this please apply through the following link <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Roman Day

It's Roman Day on **Tuesday 23rd January!** Children in years 3 and 4 should come to school on Tuesday dressed as a Roman. Will you be a Roman emperor, a senator, a soldier with a shield, a gladiator or maybe even a slave? We're looking forward to seeing the children's creative ideas. If your child needs any help with deciding what to wear, please ask them to speak to their class teacher. During the day, we will learn all about the Romans, how they lived and get a chance to see some artefacts. The children will even be enrolled into the Roman Army! Look out on Twitter and the class pages later next week for pictures of the day.



Y6 Sats (25.1.18) & PGL (20.2.18) Meetings

If you are unable to attend either of the meetings, we will ensure that paperwork is sent home to your child after the meeting.