



# CHRIST CHURCH CofE VC JUNIORS

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## Welcome back to Term 5 at CCJ

The Summer terms at CCJ are always so special and the daffodils are looking stunning at the moment. I hope that you and your family have had a brilliant Easter break. The children have settled well back into school and this term's value is Forgiveness.

During service, we have a special theme this week of finding out more about the Marathon des Sables race that Nik Whiteside is currently running. We linked this to the growth mindset he is currently showing to run with limited rations and resources in the most challenging landscape on Earth. Our thoughts are with you Nik!

## Attendance

Another great week of attendance! Let's see if we can improve on this in Term 5! Thank you for all of your support.



Red = Below 92%

Amber = 92-96%

Green = 97+%

A huge well done to 3SG who achieved a brilliant 98.6!



## Scooters

At CCJ we love opening our grounds to families outside of school hours. However, for safety reasons and insurance purposes we must remind you that the use of scooters during this time is unfortunately not allowed. We thank you for your cooperation.

## School Clubs

Details all of the School Clubs running in Term 5, are attached. To book any Premier Sports clubs, you can book online at link below.  
<https://www.premier-education.com/>



## St Georges Day Menu

There will be a special menu on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April to celebrate St Georges Day.

Traditional Fish & Chips  
Vegetarian Toad in the Hole with Mashed Potato

Garden peas, baked beans & Onion Gravy.

Banoffee Mess

Please note no Jacket potatoes or filled baguettes will be available.  
The Salad bar will still open.

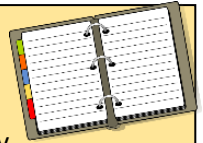


## House Cup

The house with the most house points this week is Team Phoenix! Well done!



## Diary Dates



### April

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> - Yr4 Ukulele  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> - Bikeability

### May

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Class Photos  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> - Yr5 Trip to Awful Auntie  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> - DIY SOS Day  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> - Bank Holiday  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> - Yr6 SATs  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - PP Coffee & Cake 2:30pm  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Yr3 & Yr4 Sports Day  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> - Parent Council 9am  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> - Yr5 & Yr6 Sports Day  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> - End of term 5

### June

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Start of Term 6  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> - Inset Day

## Friends of Christ Church Juniors

### Diary Dates

### April

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> - Bingo (adults only event)  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> - Table Top Sale

### May

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Film Night

### June

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> - Cake Sale  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Barn Dance (family event)

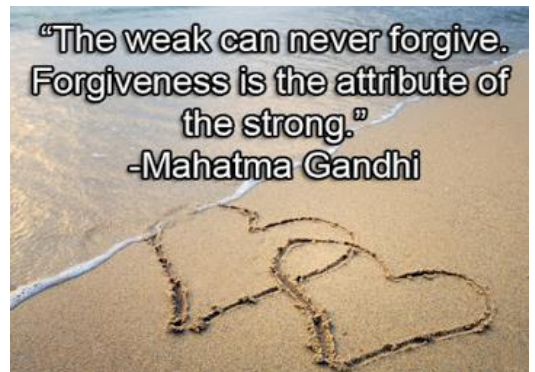
### July

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> - Circus (family event)

## Bingo Night!

CCJ Friends are holding a Bingo Night on 7:30pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April at CCJ. Tickets are £5 per person, and include nibbles! There are some wonderful prizes up for grabs and a fully licenced bar will be open!

"The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong."  
-Mahatma Gandhi





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## CCJ Vacancies

We are excited to have the opportunity to expand our ever growing staff team here at CCJ.

We have vacancies for a SMSA (Lunchtime Supervisor) and a Part Time Teaching Assistant starting from September.

Please see our website for more details.

## Yr4 Ukulele

Every Friday for the next 10 weeks all Yr4 pupils have the fantastic opportunity of learning how to play the Ukulele! We are looking forward to hearing the end results in their concert.

## DIY SOS Day 2 – Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018

The fantastic youth team from Christ Church are planning to donate some of their time to help paint classrooms and some outdoor elements of the school. Are there any willing families who could consider joining us for a couple of hours on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May to have even more impact and do more rooms? If so, please see Mrs Osborne or Mrs Cleave. *Thank you!*

## Marathon Des Sables

A HUGE well done to Nik Whiteside who not only raised his target of £4000, but has smashed that amount and is currently on £6000! He has had quite an adventure this week by running the gruelling Marathon des Sables in 6 days through 150 miles in the heat of the Sahara desert! What an incredible achievement! We really are so grateful to him for taking on this challenge. The money raised will be shared equally between the Infant and Junior schools. It is not too late to sponsor him, and if you wish to do so the Just Giving link is <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/nikrunsmdsforchristchurchschools>



## Absence Request Form

There is now a new more efficient format for the Pupil Absence Request form. We have attached the new form to this email for your records. This can also be downloaded from the CCJ website.

## 3DK Class Assembly

A big well done to 3DK on their wonderful Class assembly last term.

It was lovely to see so many parents there, and we do thank you for your support.

## Are you.....

..... able to ask questions, and be confidential?

..... wanting Christ Church Junior to become an even better school?

.... available to meet with others like you twice a half term?



.... able to come into school a few times a year?

If so, then Christ Church Juniors **NEEDS YOU!**

We are looking for a new governor, who can be part of our team. It does not have to be a parent, so if you know someone in the community who may be interested, then please encourage them to get in touch.

In return you will gain great satisfaction knowing that you are contributing to the school life, development of the children and helping to make our school be the best it can be.

If this is of interest to you, please email our clerk, Frances on [fmcmmillan@hotmail.com](mailto:fmcmmillan@hotmail.com)





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## Yr6 PGL Residential Trip

Waking up to snow was a bit of a shock as we left for PGL! Despite this, year six arrived wrapped up with huge smiles on their faces. They embarked on all sorts of activities including; raft building, canoeing, climbing, zip wiring and the all-time favourite, the giant swing. The staff were so impressed with the children's attitudes and enthusiasm as they tackled various challenges. Some learned to ride a bike for the first time while others conquered their fear of heights. The children were quick to encourage each other and it was lovely to see them all outside the classroom environment.

They loved going back to the dorms for some chill out time, although it wasn't long before they were heading out to supper or getting ready for evening activities. The highlight for many was the disco, where they had the chance to get out of their muddy clothes and show off their dance moves.

They were a fabulous group to take away and we are already planning next year's camp for our current year fives.

*The Year 6 Team*

