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Newsletter 30

Date: 18th May 2018

Year 6 SATs Week

I am always so proud of behaviour and effort of children at CCJ, but this week Year 6 have surpassed all my expectations. Each morning they have joyfully come in early for a shared breakfast and wake up dance before demonstrating brilliant growth mindset and yet staying grounded and focussed. Today they have had a great day at Vassells Park where again their behaviour and attitude were commented on and it has been a great way to wind down after the week. I'd like to say a huge thank you to my staff as they have done a superb job of teaching and supporting the children all year, to you as parents for all your support from home and to Lois in the kitchen and Karen Davis with dance who have given them all such a positive start to their days. Well done to all! *Mrs Osborne*

Attendance

What another great week of attendance with 7 classes gaining over 97% attendance again! Well done to 3DK and 3SG for achieving a fab 98.3%. Thank you to parents and carers for all of your continued support.

Red = Below 92%

Amber = 92-96%

Green = 97+%



Royal Picnic and Dress Down Day

An incredible 198 children decided to have school dinners on Thursday for the royal picnic!

The picnic box contained a delicious mix of pizza, sausage roll, sandwiches, carrots, tomatoes and a choice of biscuit or cake. A massive thank you to our fantastic kitchen team and SMSA team – they really made the event such a success. Remember that we are still looking to expand our SMSA team so do get in touch if you'd like to join us!



5J Class Service – Tuesday 22nd May

5J will be holding their class service which is an 'English Extravaganza' on Tuesday 22nd May at 2:45pm. Parents are welcome to attend as I am sure the children would love to show you what they have been working on. We look forward to seeing you there!

Diary Dates

May

Monday 21st - PP Coffee & Cake 2:30pm

Monday 22nd – Book fair delivered (may be open?)

Tuesday 22nd - Friday 25th - Book Fair definitely open

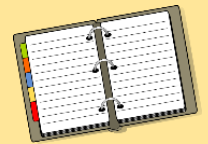
Tuesday 22nd – 5J Class Service

Wednesday 23rd - Yr3 & Yr4 Sports Day 1.15-3 PM

Thursday 24th – Parent Council 9am postponed

Friday 25th - Yr5 & Yr6 Sports Day 1.15-3 PM

Friday 25th – End of term 5



June

Monday 4th - Start of Term 6

Thursday 7th – Parent council term 5

Tuesday 19th - Instrumental Concert 1

Wednesday 20th - 3/4AD Class Service

Thursday 21st - Instrumental Concert 2

Wednesday 27th - 5NK Class Service

Friday 29th - CSET Year 3/4 Cricket Festival

Friday 29th - Inset Day

July

Thursday 5th - Move up Day

Tuesday 10th - Year 6 Production

Wednesday 11th - Year 6 Production

Wednesday 18th - Leavers Picnic Evening

Friday 20th - End of Year!

September

Monday/Tuesday 3rd/4th - Inset Days

Wednesday 5th - Start of Term 1

Friends of Christ Church Juniors Diary Dates

May

Friday 18th - Indulgent Pamper night at CCI £5 (adults)

June

Friday 15th - ~~Cake Sale~~ Father's Day Ice lolly sale

Friday 22nd – Summer Celebration £1.50 (family event)

July

Thursday 5th – Circus £7 per ticket (family event)

CIRCUS TICKETS NOW ON SALE!!!



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House Cup

The house with the most house points this week is team Griffin!

Congratulations!

Sports day could change it all ...!



Parent Council meeting

Our term 5 parent council meeting has had to be postponed to the first week of Term 6. All welcome from 9am on Thursday 7th June. Agenda items to be sent to christchurchjuniors@sgmail.org.uk in advance of the meeting.

Bins

For an unknown reason, our bins have not been collected since the bank holiday weekend despite daily calls to the council by Mrs Cleave. We are continuing to pursue them and our apologies for the eye sore they currently are.

Walk to School Week 21st-25th May

Walk to School week starts on the 21st May and we are looking forward to receiving some resource packs from the South Gloucestershire Road Safety Team which should help promote and encourage more of us to walk to school.

At Christ Church Junior School, during March, we had a walking rate of 71% compared to the baseline of 41% which is great! There's still room to do even better so why not make Walk to School week your focus to boost the number of times you walk to school. Remember that the Co Op in Downend is more than happy for you to park the car and stride on into school from there.



Year 5 Cake Sale

Well done to the six Year 5 boys from 5J/5NK who held a cake sale last week – in total they raised £44.15. The money they have raised together with the £88 from the Big Breakfast will be donated through Christ Church to Christian Aid Haiti appeal.

Premier Sports Term 6 After School Clubs

Monday - Summer Games years 3 to 6 - Mon 4 June to Mon 16 July - 7 weeks = £31.50

Tuesday - Football years 3 to 6 - Tues 5 June to Tues 17 July - 7 weeks = £31.50

Thursday - Cricket years 3 to 6 - Thur 7 June to Thur 12 July - 6 weeks = £27.00

Premier sports will be coming in on Wednesday next week to speak with the whole school about all the clubs on offer. We have also met with them to decide the clubs on offer for the whole of 2018/19 so watch this space!

Circus Tickets

The circus is coming back to town on Thursday 5th July for one night only! We can only sell 640 tickets and these sold out very quickly last year. Tickets will be available to Junior families exclusively until June 4th (end of half term) and then if there are any remaining, they will be offered to the Infants and the local community. **Tickets (£7) can be purchased through the 'shop' section on Parent Pay.** Please ask the office if you can't see it.

Fencing and planning permission

For 18 months, we have been trying to save the money in our budget and seek funds from external sources to carry out £19,000 of improvements and installations to our site's fences. As Head I do not feel our school is as secure as it could be or needs to be in this day and age. We are delighted that we are in the final stages of planning permission to install 2.4m fences along the side of the forest school area, along the side of the field and around by the kitchen and Kingfisher classroom. It will make the site slightly less attractive but it will better ensure the safety of every one of our children and so I believe it is the right thing to do for our school. We have the support of the police, Ian Boulton (our local councillor) and the local authority. Planning permission is live now if you wish to comment and we are aiming for the work to be carried out within the summer holidays ready for the start of the new year in September.





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Year 5 Awful Aunty Trip

Thank you so much to the Friends of CCJ who helped Year 5 fund their trip to the Hippodrome to see Awful Aunty on the 4th May. So many of our children had never been to the theatre before - this was a real treat and such an exciting opportunity to discover the beauty of a live performance. The children were thrilled to see the staging, props and clever theatrical illusions that made the book we have been reading really come alive.

THANK YOU FRIENDS OF CCJ!!



E-Safety Drop In for Parents

Please come and join Miss Friend and Mr Desmond on Friday 22nd June at 9am for a cup of tea and an informal chat about e-safety!

Over the past few months we have noticed an increase in the amount of e-safety incidents occurring for children across the school. We would like to offer the opportunity for all parents to join us to discuss ways in which we can keep children safe online, how we can support you and your child if incidents do arise and what the school message is around social media for our pupils. We will have some information leaflets for you as well as some signposting of where else you can find information or advice relating to social media, cyber-bullying and other e-safety issues.



Sports Days – NEXT WEEK (Wed 23rd and Fri 25th)

The timings of each Band's afternoon will be

1-2.15pm (approx) inclusive carousel of events

2.15-3pm (approx) selective competitive events

Wednesday 23rd May is for Y3/4 children (5/6 watching from 2.15pm)

Friday 25th May. Y5/6 children (3/4 watching from 2.15pm)

All parents are welcome to join us for either, both or any of the times! Please ask your child if they are in the competitive events.

The school/ Friends of CCJ will be selling new (old style) uniform for £1 and refreshments such as drinks/snacks at both events.

We believe that sports should be both inclusive FOR ALL but also have the chance for competitive races that allow some to shine. This is why we traditionally run a carousel of events on one day and the competitive races another. This year, we are putting them on one day per Band to support parents in not having to attend two events. Each Band will watch the other Band's competitive races. Children can wear **PE kit all day** on their Band's sports day.

CCJ Friends Event Update – Summer Calendar

– SAVE THE DATES!

Friday June 22nd – CC Juniors Summer Celebration (all welcome) £1.50 per ticket.

Come and join us on FRIDAY JUNE 22nd on the field for the CC Juniors Summer Celebration.

We'll provide a band and a bar! YOU bring a blanket and a picnic! This is always such a fun event for the whole school community and a chance for our families to get together for a good knees up to end the school year on a high and to bid farewell to our Year 6 families and welcome our Year 2's!

Thursday 5th July – FUN AFTERNOON (free) and CIRCUS (£7 per ticket). All are welcome until 5.30pm, then ticket holders only. We will be providing BBQ food straight after school, a bar, bouncy castle, ice cream van, tombola/raffle stalls, games and lots more! AND it'll be a **non-school uniform** day so no need to go home to change! YAY! So come to pick up prepared to have some fun! All are welcome to come along to this fun event. (NB due to circus fire regulations, non circus ticket holders must leave the grounds by 5.30pm).

We would like to ask for donations of **bottles** (any type e.g. bubble bath, squash, wine, ketchup) and a **teddies** in good condition. Please drop these to the office from w/b **Monday 2nd July**. We also need lots of help so please volunteer – free drink for any volunteers (let the office know)!

Friday July 13th – CC Infants Summer Celebration (all welcome). Details to be confirmed by CCI.

We really want all our families to be able to enjoy these events. Having taken into account parent feedback, we hope that you will find the plans for our summer events inclusive and affordable for all. We'd love to see you there having fun! See you there or be square, THE FRIENDS X Let's pull together and make this a summer not to forget!



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