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Newsletter 29

3rd May 2019

COMING UP IN THIS WEEKS CCJ NEWS.....

YEAR 6 DATES!

PARENT PAY!

Doodle English & Spelling!

NOISE DAY – THIS SATURDAY!

THANK YOU!!

The two words I know I use in almost every newsletter are 'thank you' and 'proud' but we really are so grateful to the response we always get from our brilliant community especially during any crisis or times of need. So thank you to everyone who has offered help to our office team this week, following Mrs Merrifield's fall. We have been overwhelmed with your kind offers of help - you are wonderful! We wish Mrs Merrifield a speedy recovery! I am also very proud of our brilliant school council who organised and ran a very successful 'design your own cupcake' event with Ms Fryer – you are such caring and motivated people.

Mrs Osborne

PARENT PAY

Further to the email sent this week regarding changing our online payment system to Parent Pay, we can confirm that the system is due to go live 3rd June 2019. This should make mealtimes run more efficiently and avoid most mistakes. We believe this move is a very positive one that will benefit our school and allow us to provide a better service as the system also allows us to collect payment for clubs, trips, tickets and camps.

As soon as the set-up is ready we will write again to parents to give instructions as to how to set up the system before we eventually close down our Schools Money system.

In the meantime, please do continue to let the office team know if you believe a mistake has been made with charging but rest assured that we are acting to respond to feedback and moving to an alternative provider. Thank you for your patience.

Schools Money

Due to ongoing issues with Schools money and staff absence, your balance on certain items may be incorrect. Please bear with us, we will try to rectify this next week.



NOISE DAY THIS SATURDAY!!

This Saturday morning we are inviting families to come and join Christ Church at CCJ for our next 'Noise' day. We will be tackling the garden area, painting the lower band benches and improving the forest school area. So if you are available that morning, please do come and get involved! The more hands helping – the greater the impact!



CCJ CHARITY ABSEIL

In October 2019 (date tbc) some CCJ staff are taking part in an abseil down the Uphill Quarry to raise funds for the school to put towards toilet refurbishments. The fee for the abseil is £45 which covers the cost of your abseil. Included in your fee, in addition to your abseil, you will receive a Team CCJ goodie bag on the day and will be in an official Team CCJ photo. Once the team has been set, we will set up a CCJ just giving page where all entrants and parents can share the link to raise funds for our school. Date to be confirmed, but if you wish to secure a place now, please speak with Mrs Cleave.



CAKE SALE

A huge well done to CCJ School Council who organised and ran a Cake Sale at breaktime yesterday and today! They have raised a fantastic £111.44 which will go towards the school! Thank you to everyone who took the time to bake and provide cakes for the sale.

Doodle English & Spelling

Until Monday 13th May, Year 6 will have access to DoodleEnglish and DoodleSpelling as well as DoodleMaths! Children can use their normal DoodleMaths logins but will need to download the English and Spellings apps from the Doodle website (they work on android, apple or Windows). We hope that this will be a fun way for year 6 to revise key concepts in preparation for SATS week – remember that little and often is most effective! As this is a trial, we will be considering whether or not to roll this out across the school so any feedback from children or adults about the English and Spellings apps will be warmly welcomed. Happy doodling year 6!



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CCJ PUPIL PREMIUM SUCCESS!



We are delighted to have recently been awarded the Achievement for All Quality Mark! The Quality Mark is a national accolade and has been awarded for our work in improving the well-being, resilience and self-esteem of our pupils who are vulnerable to underachievement.

"The example set by senior leaders is inspirational and the tone set; aspirational."

At CCJ we have been supporting our Pupil Premium cohort through the monitoring and evaluation of three key strands known to us as EEE:

Equity: Are the child's basic need met? Can we offer therapeutic support? Do external agencies need to be involved? Are the barriers to learning removed?

Engagement: Can we enhance the aspirations of our children? Do they have enrichment opportunities? Are they able to experience all that we wish them to?

Excellence: Is attendance and punctuality as high as possible? Can we remove any barriers to low attendance? Are parents engaged and supportive at home and school? Are academic interventions focused and impactful?

It is through this overview and through the hard work and dedication of all of our staff that we can be so proud of our offer to our Pupil Premium children and their development within our school.

"The regard given to developing the whole child ensures that life enhancing experiences are offered to all with particular and careful further enhancement offered to those pupils with vulnerabilities; no matter what they might be."

We have been working with Achievement for All for two years and are so proud that the Quality Mark Award recognises the work being done by the school to improve wellbeing, enjoyment, progress and attainment of pupils across the school but particularly those who are entitled to Pupil Premium.

"The school's desire to see every pupil have: a breadth of experiences, a sense of self-worth, high levels of aspiration, a can do attitude and a smile on their face coupled with the determination to help them achieve academically is totally admirable and absolutely right."

If you have any questions about the Achievement for All programme or our Pupil Premium offer please see our website <http://www.christchurchjuniors.co.uk/about-us/pupil-premium> or contact Miss Friend our Pupil Premium Champion.

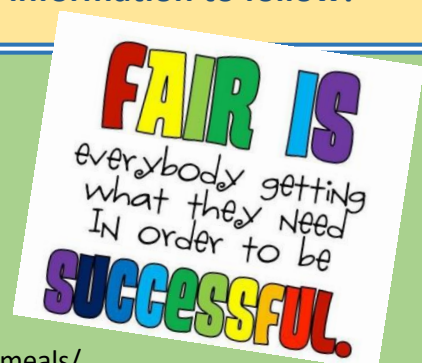
Our next Pupil Premium coffee morning for our Pupil Premium families will be on Friday 17th May at 2.15 and we will be arts and crafting! More information to follow!

Is my child pupil premium?

If your child receives free school meals the school will automatically get a Pupil Premium amount for them.

Are You Eligible For Free School Meals?

Free school meals are available to pupils whose parents are in receipt of benefits and low income families. To see if you are eligible click on the below link. <http://www.southglos.gov.uk/advice-and-benefits/benefits/free-school-meals/>



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Premier still have spaces on our after school clubs on Monday's, Tuesday's and Wednesday's:

Monday's we have **Hockey** where we will be doing a street hockey version which we play at lunch times which all the children really enjoy.

Tuesday's we practice our balancing, moving, tumbling and jumping with our regular dose of **Gymnastics**.

Wednesday's we are still developing our young athletes with our **Football** club.

The clubs are open to all ages and abilities at Christ Church Juniors and they are run by myself. Please fill free to book on-line or speak to the school reception. You can catch me (Paul) Monday, Tuesday's and Wednesday afternoons if you have any questions or alternatively contact me on email: paul.green@thezonetraining.com mobile: 07890742566 (costs will vary according to when you book). There are Pupil Premium spaces available, so get in there quick to claim your space.

RED NOSES

Some of our Year 4 girls will be selling Red Noses at Breaktime on Wednesday 8th May! All noses will be sold for 10p and proceeds will go towards Comic Relief!



YEAR 6 DATES

Mon 13th May – Thurs 16th May SATS Week
Mon 20th May – Fri 24th May PGL
Thurs 18th July Leavers Tea Party

be **STRONG & COURAGEOUS**
do not be **afraid**
or **TROUBLED**
The **Lord** is with you
WHEREVER you go
Joshua 1:9

BARTON CAMP – CORRECTION OF DATES

Barton Camp date is Monday 14th October 2019 to Wednesday 16th October. More info to follow.

IMPORTANT CCJ DATES...!

MAY

Mon 6th – BANK HOLIDAY
Mon 13th – Thurs 16th Y6 SATs
Mon 20th – 24th Y6 PGL
Fri 24th May – End of Term 5

BANK HOLIDAY!
Monday 6th May

BARTON CAMP
DATE CHANGE

JUNE

Mon 3rd – Start of Term 6
Mon 3rd to Fri 7th – LB Swimming PMs
Thurs 13th – Interest Day
AM Weds 12th – LB Sports Day
PM Weds 12th – UB Sports Day
Thurs 13th – Interest Day
Mon 17th to Fri 21st – LB Swimming PMs

The Great British Takeaway Thursday 16th May

As Thursday 16th May is Census Day, there is a change to the menu to encourage more children to have school dinners on that day.

The children will collect their dinners in a picnic box and take them outside to eat - weather permitting!

If they are lucky enough to have a sticker on their box... they will win a prizes!

The more children having school dinners on this day means more funding from the LA in next year's budget. Please help support the school by selecting this as a school dinner day if you are able to.

Hotdogs/Corndogs



Herby

Diced Potatoes



Side Salads, Vegetables & Jacket Potatoes

Selection of Biscuits

ATTENDANCE Year to date.....



CLASS	%ATTENDANCE
Starling	98%
Woodpecker	98%
Swallow	97%
Wagtail	97%
Robin	97%
Jay	97%
Puffin	97%
Kestrel	96%
Falcon	96%
Kingfisher	95%
WHOLE SCHOOL	97%

Good attendance is extremely important to us at CCJ and we thank you for your continued support.