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27<sup>th</sup> September 2019

## THIS WEEK AT CCJ.....

### FRIENDS OF CCJ QUIZ NIGHT!

#### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS!

Meet Puffin Class Staff!

#### LIFESKILLS!

THIS WEEK AT CCJ!!

Today MP Jack Lopresti came to visit CCJ. While he was here he was given a tour of the school, being able to see all the different activities that go on during the day including our brilliant forest school and upper band making volcanoes! He met some of our House Captains, was asked questions by pupils and chatted to both staff and children about what it is like to be a part of CCJ. The school looked amazing and was buzzing with excitement!

The children were fantastic, asked some brilliant questions and really were a credit to CCJ!!



#### Year 6 Lifeskills Trip

This week year 6 had a trip to the Lifeskills Centre. This trip offers an exciting environment in which to learn life lessons by taking part in activities based on realistic scenarios. Some scenarios included are a road, a shop and dark alleyway and a river. All CCJ pupils will have the opportunity of this valuable trip once they are in year 6.

#### Harvest Service

Our Harvest Service will take place at 1:30pm Mon 7<sup>th</sup> October and all parents are invited to join us. The service will be held at Christ Church. Any donations are greatly appreciated; tins, bottles and dried food welcome from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. If any parents can help us walk children over from school

#### PGL PAYMENTS

We have a large amount of pupils who have not yet paid their deposit or subsequent installments for the PGL trip. Please ensure that any outstanding payments are brought up to date by the end of September via ParentPay. If it remains unpaid this may effect your child's space on the camp. If you are having difficulty making payment please contact the school office. In the first instance

#### QUIZ NIGHT 8<sup>th</sup> November

CCJ School Hall

Come and put your knowledge to the test..... Tickets available online or via Friends of CCJ. Adults only event

#### Parents Evening

The online booking for Parents Evening will go live next week. A text will be sent out in advance. Please go on to book your slot.

#### CENSUS DAY MENU

Census day is next Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. To increase the uptake on school meals that day the kitchen will be putting on a special menu. Please support us by encouraging your child to have school dinners on this day.

#### Quiz Night!

FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

JUNIOR SCHOOL HALL  
7.30PM - LATE

TICKET £5.00

VIA PARENT PAY OR  
CASH TO FRIENDS  
(INCLUDES NIBBLES)

BAR DRINKS!!

HAVE FUN RAISING MUCH NEEDED FUNDS FOR THE AWESOME CHILDREN OF CCJ  
ALL PROFITS TO SCHOOL - Thank you for all your support



#### Height and weight checks for children in Y6

Every year the school nurse visits CCJ as part of a national programme to measure our Y6 pupils. This year this will take place on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October** (an email was sent home with full details on Tues this week). If you **DO NOT** wish your child to be measured, please ensure that the opt OUT form is returned before the 18/10/19. Any child where an opt OUT form is not received will take part and be measured on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019.



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## MEET THE STAFF!

### Puffin Class

#### Ms Sadie Groves - Teacher / SENCO

Hi, I'm Mrs Groves and I have been teaching in education for over 15 years. I am delighted to be back working with our Year 5's in Upper Band. I am looking forward to teaching many of the children again and reconnecting with the families of pupils that I had the pleasure of teaching in lower band as well as establishing relationships with new families. I love the fact that each child brings their own individual and unique personality to the classroom as I firmly believe that learning should be enjoyable and fun. Learning from your peers and the experiences they share in class is also important for learning. My favourite lessons when I was at school were History and Geography as I like to learn about people's lives and where they lived. As well as teaching Year 5, I am also SENCO for the school and enjoy supporting children in all aspects of their educational journey. Outside of school I enjoy keeping fit and being active with fitness such as Boxing, Circuits, Boot Camp and Spin. I enjoy meals out and socialising with friends (music and dancing is a real passion). I enjoy classic action films at the cinema with a large box of sweet popcorn. In recent years I have travelled all over the world, with my favourite being America (especially their chocolate brownies) I am yet to visit China, so that is still on my bucket list.

I am an approachable teacher and always around if you wish to have a chat or have anything you wish to discuss.



#### Miss Louise McKenzie – TA

Hello, I am Miss McKenzie in Puffin Class. I am new to the school and have been made to feel really welcome! When I am not in school I enjoy camping, bike rides, travel and running. I have a 2 year old daughter who keeps me busy with fun things like crafts and cookery. I am really looking forward to my future in Puffin Class and at CCJ.



#### Mrs Sarah Doughty – Temporary TA / SM\$A

Hello, I am Mrs Doughty. I have been at CCJ for nearly 4 years as an SM\$A which I really enjoy. I am glad to be spending some time this term during the afternoons in Puffin Class and reading with upper band children. I am also excited about using the new library when it is completed to continue reading with children. When I am not in school, I enjoy time with my family and love to bake, especially cakes! I am a qualified Day Skipper and when I have time my passion is sailing, boating and rowing. In the summer I discovered paddle boarding which is not as easy as it looks!



## CONGRATULATIONS!!

We are excited to announce that the new addition to Miss Connor's family was born this week. Congratulations and welcome to the world baby Indra!



### WE NEED YOU...!!

Do you have any free time during the week? Or have any relatives that have? If so we would be so grateful if you could become one of our **reading volunteers**! It is such a valuable thing for the children to be heard reading regularly. Please see Mr Desmond if you can help



### Dexter's Penalty Shoot Out!!

Dexter in Robin class is raising money by arranging and taking part in an 8 hour penalty shoot out to raise money for charity! Click on the link below to read his touching story and if you would like to make a donation. Good luck Dexter!!

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/dexterspenaltyshoot>







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## AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

### Clubs Timetable – Term 1 (Sept-Oct 2019)

Name	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
K.D DANCE					Dance 8:00-8:45am 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept-18 <sup>th</sup> Oct Use of Hall
PREMIER SPORTS	Y3-6 Tennis 3:20-4:30pm 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept-21 <sup>st</sup> Oct Use of field/Hall	Y3-6 Football 3:20-4:30pm 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept-22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct Use of Field/Hall	Y3-6 Gymnastics 3:20-4:30pm 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept-23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct Use of Field/Hall	Y3-6 Tag Rugby 3:20-4:30pm 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept-24 <sup>th</sup> Oct Use of Field/Hall	
MUDPIE EXPLORERS			Y3-6 Forest Schools 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept-23 Oct 3:20-5:00pm Forest school area		

Premier Sports book via Visit premier-education.com or call 01953 499 040

Mudpie Explorers Book via <http://www.mud-pies.co.uk/>

KD Drama & Dance - contact Karen on 07799628308 or 27karendavis@gmail.com



The new Parent Pay system is now up and running! If you haven't already, please activate your account immediately as this is now the only form of payment for dinners, trips and visits etc.

If you would like to continue to pay by cash, we can issue you with a bar code that can be scanned at paypoint shops to top up your child's account.

### CHEDDAR GORGE TRIP – Y3

On Wednesday Year 3 are going on a trip to Cheddar Gorge. Please ensure that your child wears school uniform, (ideally trousers) sensible footwear, suitable for walking safely through caves, and a coat.

Children will also need to bring a water bottle and a packed lunch. If your child is free school meals, please let the office know if they require a school packed lunch.

### Barton Camp Y4

We still have 4 pupils to make their final payments. Please ensure these amounts are cleared before 30/9/19 as a final deadline if you wish your child to attend. Please ensure all medical and contact forms are also returned by this date as we need to make our final preparations for this trip which takes an enormous amount of administration

## CCJ DATES...!



### OCTOBER

Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> – Year 3 Cheddar Gorge Trip

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> – Harvest Service at Christchurch, Downend 1:30pm

Wed 9<sup>th</sup> – Road Safety Whole School

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> – Wed 16<sup>th</sup> – Year 4 Barton Camp

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> – Fri 18<sup>th</sup>

Book Fair

Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> – Parents Evening 1

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> – Parents Evening 2

Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> – 5/6AD Class Service

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> – Interest Day

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> – End of Term 1

Fri 25<sup>th</sup> – INSET DAY

### November

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> – Start Term 4

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Friends Quiz

### William Court

William Court Friendship Club letters were given out in our service this week. If your child would like to join the group, please can they write a mini letter to Helen and Mrs Osborne to say why they would like to join this club. Full details on the attached letter.

### FRIENDS OF CCJ DATES

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Stay & Play with a  
Cake Sale

3:20pm-4:30pm

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Nov

QUIZ NIGHT

7:30pm

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec

Upper Band

Christmas Bazaar

Friends Raffle

## Amazing! ATTENDANCE Weeks 1-4

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
Kingfisher	98.60%
Swallow	98.60%
Puffin	98.50%
Jay	98.40%
Kestrel	97.50%
Wagtail	97.40%
Robin	97.20%
Woodpecker	97.20%
Falcon	95.90%
Starling	95.90%
WHOLE SCHOOL	97.5%

As always we thank you for your continued support as good attendance means a lot at CCJ.



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### Year 6 had fun at Lifeskills!



## CAKE SALE



Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct  
3:20pm in CCJ hall!

Please bring cake  
donations to reception  
on the Friday morning  
and bring your  
pennies to treat  
yourself at pick up!!