



CHRIST CHURCH CofE VC JUNIORS

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Newsletter 5

4th October 2019

Term 1 Value: Love

THIS WEEK AT CCJ.....

Brilliant teaching and learning!

PARKING REMINDER!

YEAR 6 REMINDERS!

Cheddar Gorge Trip!

Meet Starling Class Staff!

THIS WEEK IN PHOTOS!

Visit from our School Advisor and Chair of Governors

Yesterday we welcomed our school advisor and Chair of Governors into CCJ and to spend time in classes, watching teaching and learning and speaking to our children. She was delighted to see in all classes, enthusiastic learners, fantastic teaching, high quality work in books, engaging learning environment, extemporary behaviour and brilliant support for children who need it. I am so proud of my team at Christ Church Junior and delighted that this was recognised by our visitors.



Year 6 Reminders

Y7 Secondary School Applications

The deadline for secondary school applications online is 31/10/18 for South Glos. Should you have queries you can phone the admissions line 01454 868008, please bear in mind that phone lines are very busy at this time of year, so please do not leave your application too late.

<http://www.southglos.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-education/school-admissions/secondary-school-admissions/>

PGL FINAL REMINDER

We still have have a large amount of pupils who have not yet paid their deposit or subsqent installments for the PGL trip. Please ensure that any outstanding payments are brought up to date ASAP via ParentPay. If it remains unpaid this may effect your childs space on the camp. If you are having diffuculty making payment please contact the school office imeadiately.

Height and Weight Checks

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 18th October**. 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 18th October 2019.

PARKING REMINDER



School grounds open: 8.30am (no staff on duty)

Band doors open: 8.45am all in by 8.55am

End of school: 3.20pm

School grounds close & gates lock: 3.30pm (no staff)

A reminder that the school grounds are only accessible for vehicules of parents/carers who hold and display an **authorised CCJ permit**.

Unfortunately, we have a small amount of parents who constantly ignore these rules. This is unfair on the majority of parents and threatens the safety of our children travelling in and out of school.

Sadly, we now have no alternative but to use valuable staff time to spot check and challenge those parking without permission.

Parents and carers can support us by notifying the office imeaditaly of any unsafe or unauthorised vehicules.

We thank you for your co-operation.

Parents Evening

The online booking for Parents Evening have gone live. Please go online to book your slot.





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MEET THE STAFF!

Starling Class

Mr Neil Kennedy – Teacher

Hi! I'm Mr Kennedy and I'm the class teacher Starlings Class as well as the PE Lead. I have been a teacher here for 7 years and particularly enjoy teaching maths and PE as these were my favourite subjects when I was at school (plus economics!).

When I am not at school I am a keen runner and regularly take part in races. You might see me jogging down the cycle track in the evenings and on weekends. I also spend a lot of my time with my two beautiful daughters, who are 5 and 1 years old.



Miss Zoe Morgan – TA

Hello I'm Miss Morgan and I work across both year 3 classes and am based in 3NK. This is my second school year at CCJ now and I love coming here every day. I'm a very creative person and enjoy art projects and have loved decorating Starling classroom. Outside of work I spend a lot of time with my family, watching my partner play squash and taking my 8 year old son to all of his sport clubs. As a family we love taking weekend trips down to Cornwall, it's one of our favourite places to be! And I also love to potter in my garden and make it pretty with flowers.



ARE YOU.....

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

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

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

OUR CCJ PUPILS NEED 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





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CHEDDAR GORGE TRIP – Y3

On Wednesday Year 3 went on a trip to Cheddar Gorge. The children had a fantastic day learning about life in the Stone Age and visiting caves. They learnt about Cheddar man and visited the museum. Inside the caves, they saw stalagmites and stalactites and other beautiful rock formations.

Levelled Reading Books

It is fantastic to see so many children reading this term! We have just spent another £700 purchasing even more fabulous books!! Please can we remind you that when your child has finished a book, this is returned to school for someone else to enjoy! Thank you!



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.



THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to Kingswood 28th Cubs who generously donated board games to Year 4 for wet play. They are gratefully appreciated and have been in use already.

QUIZ NIGHT

8th November

7:30pm

CCJ School Hall

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

Quiz Night!

FRIDAY 8th 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**



CCJ DATES...!

OCTOBER

Mon 7th – Harvest Service at Christchurch, Downend 1:30pm
Tues/Wed 9th/10th – Athletics coaching
Wed 9th – Ugandan Youth choir visit
Wed 9th – Road Safety Whole School
Mon 14th – Wed 16th – Year 4 Barton C
Mon 14th – Fri 18th
Book Fair
Thurs 17th – Parents Evening 1
Fri 18th – Yr6 Height & Weight
Mon 21st – Parents Evening 2
Wed 23rd – 5/6AD Class Service
Thurs 24th – Interest Day
Thurs 24th – End of Term 1
Fri 25th – INSET DAY

November

Mon 4th – Start Term 4
Friday 8th Friends Quiz

Kingfisher Class
Assembly
23rd October

FRIENDS OF CCJ DATES

Friday 4th Oct
Stay & Play with a
Cake Sale

3:20pm-4:30pm
Friday 8th Nov
QUIZ NIGHT

7:30pm
Monday 9th Dec
Upper Band
Christmas Bazaar
Friends Raffle

Keep it up!

ATTENDANCE Weeks 1-4

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
Puffin	98.60%
Kingfisher	98.40%
Swallow	98.10%
Jay	98%
Woodpecker	97.70%
Wagtail	97.20%
Kestrel	97%
Robin	96.70%
Starling	96.30%
Falcon	95.60%
WHOLE SCHOOL	97.4%

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





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