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## THIS WEEK AT CCJ..... CCJ Football!

NICU CAKE SALE – Thanks!

Christmas celebrations!

Meet Robins Class Staff!

This week in photos!

### LIBRARY UPDATE Week 4 – and it rained some more...

Well you could say that when it rains, it pours and this sums up week four of the library refurb. No doubt that you will hear it from your children, but due to today's heavy rain we have had to deal with numerous leaks in our temporary library and IT suite. This resulted in an emergency mission to rescue our books! Thank goodness for tarpaulin!

However, the builders are amazing, have stopped the leaks and continue to work in all weathers! The work is coming on brilliantly and it won't be long until the library is watertight again.



### Girls Football Tournament (Written by the team)

On Monday, eight girls from across years 4/5/6 took part in a football tournament at Yate Academy finishing in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. The girls (Lucy, Franki, Lula, Martha, Lily, Evie, Halle and Imogen) lost 1-0 in the finals but won the rest of their games.

The girls also met the Bristol Rovers manager on his birthday and sang him Happy Birthday as well as having an official photograph taken. Goals were scored by: Lula-3, Franki-2, and Lily-1 also some brilliant saves from Lucy and Evie, who swapped around in goal. Halle and Imogen prevented lots of goals in defence and Martha made some great runs down the wing. In the finals, we lost to Stanbridge School, who were a strong side.



### Boys Football Tournament

On Thursday, the boys entered the second stage of their district competition. They played in a group of 4, narrowly missing out on the top spot. This meant, just like the girls, they were also runners up from the whole of South Gloucestershire. An amazing effort! Well done boys!

Thanks to Mr Kennedy, Miss Roseblade and Mr Green who supported us throughout these tournaments.



### NICU CAKE SALE – Thanks!

Josh in Y5 took a cheque to Southmead Hospital this week to present the money raised from his successful cake sale.

Thanks from Josh's Mum.

*I am so proud of Josh and so thankful for all that Mrs Doughty and other CCJ staff did to help him, we are very grateful.*



### School Fun Run - 18<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Just a quick reminder to continue to collect sponsorship if you wish to take part in the fun run. £1 entry, plus any sponsorship raised and every child receives a medal for competing.





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## MEET THE STAFF!

### Robins Class

#### Miss Lauren Dockree – Teacher

*Hello! I'm Miss Dockree and I am the teacher of Robin Class. This is my first year teaching at CCJ and I thoroughly enjoy coming to work every day. It is a privilege to work with such fantastic children and staff! Some of my favorite subjects to teach are PE and maths. I am really looking forward to all the festivities in store this term, especially the nativity!*



*Outside of school, I love to spend quality time with my family. I also really enjoy playing netball and keeping myself active. As I am from Wales, naturally I am a big rugby fan - so I love going to the international games when I can. I also enjoy travelling so I try to visit a new country every year!*

#### Mrs Fiona Pollock – Teaching Assistant

*I'm Mrs Pollock and I have been a Teaching Assistant for over 20 years, 14 of these here at CCJ. I work in Lower Band spending time in both Robins and Wagtails Class. I am probably known more widely across the school for running Lunch Club. Which I have to say this could possibly be my favourite part of the day! I get to witness the children, some of whom find learning a struggle, immerse themselves in play, developing their creative and social skills! Without even realising!*



*I am married and have two grown up children. My son is 30 and lives in Canada and my daughter is 27. We spend a lot of time together getting into mischief! I am a crazy dog lady, with two long haired German Shepherds. I volunteer for a German Shepherd Rescue and help fundraising. I recently abseiled down a very tall clock tower!*

### Hot School Dinners

Please continue to support us by booking hot meals online before 8am on the day the meal is required. **Please remember to save you booking.** If your child has not pre booked a meal we will be calling home asking for you to bring in a packed lunch for that day.

### Christmas Celebrations

**Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> - School Christmas Lunch**

**Wed 11<sup>th</sup> – LB Nativity Play 1:30pm**

**Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> – LB Nativity Play 1:30pm**

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Parties**

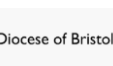
**Wed 18<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Parties**

### Christmas Bazaar Donations Needed!!

Please help support our Christmas Bazaar by donating the following items:

Stall	What we would like	When and Where
Cakes and homemade bakes	Please label with any allergens (dairy, wheat etc) – <b>please no nuts!</b>	On morning of Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December to the school office.
Bottles tombola	Donations of shampoos, soaps, hand creams, non-alcoholic or alcoholic drinks	Please send to 5KW by Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December.

More information regarding the bazaar is attached to this email.







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## Christ Church Downend

All our families are invited to join in with our Christ Church Christingle services on Sunday 1 Dec (10.30am & 4pm) at these services we make a collection for The Children's Society and children bring little pots shaped as candles with coins/donations in them. If your child would like to bring in a coin for the collection pots, each class will be given a candle pot on Monday after Mrs Osborne's assembly. Thank you.

### School Crossing Patrol!

As you are aware we are currently without a School Crossing Patrol. We spoke to the Local Authority this week and they have not received any applications for this position. Therefore unfortunately we will remain without a crossing patrol for the foreseeable future. If you are interested in the role, or know of someone who is please contact Martina Byrne-Obee 01454 863611



Please note there will be NO Jacket Potato or baguette option on Christmas Dinner Day!



### Christ Church Infants - Tesco Bags of Help

Christ Church Infants have managed to secure a place in the Tesco's Bags for Help grant ballot in 2020. The scheme provides grants to community projects such as schools to enhance their environment. The public can vote in store during January to March 2020 on who should receive the awards. Please support them in your local store! Well done & Good Luck!

Thanks to CCI for donating their Aldi stickers to us too.

### Individual/Sibling Photos

Thank you for your calls, we have spoken with Colorfoto who have advised that the proofs are at the printers and will be sent to school ASAP – thanks for your patience.

## DATES FOR CCJ

### December

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> School Christmas Lunch  
Mon 9<sup>th</sup> – UB Christmas Bazaar  
Wed 11<sup>th</sup> – LB Nativity Play 1:30pm  
Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> – LB Nativity Play 1:30pm  
Fri 13<sup>th</sup> – Interest Group Day  
Mon 16<sup>th</sup> – Xmas Factor  
Tues 17<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Parties  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Parties  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> – School Fun Run (am)  
Fri 20<sup>th</sup> – End of Term 2

### FRIENDS OF CCJ DATES

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec  
Upper Band  
Christmas Bazaar  
Friends Raffle

### January

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> – Inset Day  
Tues 7<sup>th</sup> – School Starts back

## Keep it up! ATTENDANCE To date

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
Kingfisher	98.00%
Puffin	98.00%
Jay	98%
Woodpecker	97.70%
Wagtail	96.90%
Swallow	96.70%
Kestrel	96%
Starling	96.40%
Robin	95.70%
Falcon	95.50%
<b>WHOLE SCHOOL</b>	<b>96.90%</b>

Our EWO visited this week and was happy to see attendance at 97.1% so far this year. Thank you for not taking term time holidays and for letting us know what is causing your child to be off sick.

Below 92%
92-96%
97=%







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## This week in photos.....

### Enjoying Forest School...



### Learning about climate change investigating how different factors change the amount of electricity produced...



### Wagtail's puppet show about The Story of Diwali...

