



CHRIST CHURCH CofE VC JUNIORS

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Newsletter 15

20th December 2019

Term 2 Value: Humility



From all the staff and Governors at CCJ, we would like to wish the pupils, parents, carers and grandparents a peaceful and happy Christmas break.

We have had such a busy yet fantastic two terms and cannot wait to see you all in the New Year – first day back is Tuesday 7th January 2020.

Mrs Osborne

THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to our local Salvation Army who have so kindly and generously donated gifts for some of our school families. We are overwhelmed with your generosity and our families are very grateful.

We know sadly that the Christmas period is not a happy one for all families. With this in mind, please ensure you look out for local family, friends or neighbours who may be particularly struggling this year.

If circumstances are difficult please remember you may be eligible for free school meals, please contact

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Term Dates

2019/2020

Term 3 Monday 06 January 20	Friday 14 February 20
Term 4 Monday 24 February 20	Friday 03 April 20
Term 5 Monday 20 April 20	Friday 22 May 20
Term 6 Monday 01 June 20	Monday 21 July 20

Inset Days

Monday 06 January 20
 Friday 03 April 20
 Monday 20th July 20

Please note the 4th May BH has been moved to Fri 8th May

2020/2021

Term 1 Tuesday 01 September 20	Friday 23 October 20
Term 2 Monday 02 November 20	Friday 18 December 20
Term 3 Monday 04 January 21	Friday 12 February 21
Term 4 Monday 22 February 21	Thursday 01 April 21
Term 5 Monday 19 April 21	Friday 28 May 21
Term 6 Monday 07 June 21	Wednesday 21 July 21

Inset Days

TBC in the New Year

GOODBYE!

This week we are saying goodbye to some of our children who unfortunately are moving out of the area. Wishing the best of luck to Lila, Yr 4, Ava Yr 5 and Lexi Yr 4 at your new schools.

Premier Sports Christmas Activities at CCJ

If your children would like to book on to any of the following holiday club dates, please use the link below.

23rd December 2019

2nd January 2020

3rd January 2020

<https://family.premier-education.com/courses/venue/christ-church-cofe-junior-school-downend/id/4745>





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School Fun Run – Thanks

The children and staff had a brilliant time at the festive fun run this week! All children who completed the fun run received a medal. Particular thanks to Mrs Doughty who organised and arranged the whole event. Mrs Doughty wants to thank everyone from the bottom of her heart for supporting the event and St Peter's Hospice which is a charity very close to her heart xx

Thank you for all the sponsors, altogether we were able to raise a FANTASTIC **£1872.65** and sponsor money is still coming in!! It will make such a difference to St Peter's Hospice and towards our replacement toilet fund!



Wednesday 15th January: Meeting for Y6 parents about SATS and PGL Camp

All year 6 parents are invited to the school hall on Wednesday 15th January at 5pm to learn more about this year's SATS exams. We will explain the structure and content of the tests and share some revision tips. We will also be giving out information about recommended revision guides and the chance to order these at a reduced price. During the meeting, we will also be discussing PGL, which this year takes place between March 16th and 20th. Please attend if you can as we will be giving important information, including kit lists and medication forms. We look forward to seeing you there.

WILLIAM COURT CAROLS

Thank you to all the pupils & parents from our CCJ Friendship Club for bringing your joyful faces and voices to the residents at William Court Retirement Apartments. We had a great time singing 🎵 carols and sharing festive treats 🍪 together after school. It was fantastic to see some former CCJ pupils turning up in their secondary school uniforms too, to renew friendships from last year.

Praying you all have a blessed & beautiful Christmas one and all, that you stay safe, and unwrap the little baby Jesus and his message of his love for you all among the tinsel, sparkling lights and fun.

Helen Buick, Children's Leader at Christ Church Downend.





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Jingle all the way @ Downend Library

Drop in for festive crafts and activities

Monday 23 December

10.30-11.30am

(A free activity, no need to book)

Reception Year applications 2020

Children born between 1 September 2015 -31 August 2016 are due to start school in September 2020.

The closing date for applications **15 January 2020**. Applications should be made to the local authority where the child lives; regardless of the location of the school they are requesting. For more information or for South Gloucestershire residents to apply online parents can go to www.southglos.gov.uk/admissions.

If parents' need help with the application process, please telephone the contact centre on 01454 868008.

Absence Procedure Reminder

A reminder for term three of our sickness and absence procedures. In the event of sickness/upset stomach your child is unable to attend school for 48 hours after the last episode. This is to stop contamination and spread of germs. If your child is unwell you must contact the school providing full details by 8:30am. The cleaners at CCJ work incredibly hard under strict cleaning guidelines to ensure that our school remains hygienic which helps reduce the spread of germs. We thank you for your cooperation and also ask that you remind your children to wash their hands with soap and water regularly.

DATES FOR CCJ

December

Fri 20th – End of Term 2

February

10th – 14th Sports Week
Fri 14th – Interest Groups
Fri 14th – End of Term
Mon 24th – Fairtrade

January

Mon 6th – Inset Day
Tues 7th – School Starts back
Thurs 9th – Y4 Parents' Times
Table Information Evening
Wed 15th – Y6 PGL Parents Meeting
Thurs 16th – CENSUS DAY
Thurs 16th – Woodwork Club Starts!

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace,
good will toward men.

Luke 2:14



WishAFriend.com

School Census Day

Thursday 16th January
Special menu of



Chicken Burgers with Salad bar.
As well as Baguettes and Jacket
Potato as normal

Remember you can pre book up to
three weeks in advance.

Well Done! ATTENDANCE Terms 1 & 2

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
Puffin	97.80%
Woodpecker	97.70%
Kingfisher	97.50%
Jay	97.30%
Kestrel	96.90%
Wagtail	96.40%
Starling	96.40%
Falcon	95.60%
Robin	95.40%
Swallow	95.10%
WHOLE SCHOOL	96.60%

A huge thank you for your support over terms 1 and 2. A fantastic 149 good attendance letters went out today to pupils who have achieved over 98% to date.

Below 92%
92-96%
97=%





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This week in photos.....

