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CCJ NEWS

Being Safe – Keeping Our Community Safe

As always we are looking at all of our systems to constantly review what we are doing to keep everyone safe and question if anything can be better. As a result, I am going to encourage you to consider whether your child can walk from the gates to their classroom without you from Monday. Teachers are on the doors and will be happy to hear from you if you need to communicate a message, equally any child who is feeling slightly wobbly will need you to take them to class. However, some children are able to happily and confidently say goodbye at the gates and walk into class to where their teacher is waiting to greet them. Please talk to your child/children about whether this is right for them as the less adults needing to walk round site, the safer we all will be.

In addition, to help with safety, you will see staff on the doors at the start and end of day wearing visors from Monday. This is because we need to have a visible reminder to everyone that we must stay socially distanced (2m) from anyone talking to us. If we do not do this then if a parent tests positive for COVID then our teacher will also need to isolate which means the bubble may have to close. We are not insisting that any parent wears face masks outside but anyone that does this will continue to give another level of protection to those around you. Thank you as always for your trust in our systems and support for our children and staff – I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Osborne

Parking

Thank you for your support in keeping our children and family safe by not driving onto the school premise and by parking safely around the local area.

Please be respecting of local residents by not blocking driveways and parking safely. Unfortunately, the residents in the block of flats opposite the school have contacted the police due to parking in the private car park.

WELCOME TO CCJ

We are delighted to welcome Miss Howell to our CCJ school team to support children with their learning in Lower Band. Please do say hello if you see her around school.

Miss Howell

Hi, My name is Miss Howell and I am so thrilled to be joining the CCJ team working in year 3! Around 2 years ago I worked in year 4 and enjoyed it so much I've come back to make more memories!

During lockdown I spent my time painting so I am very excited to get creative in my class. My favourite day out is going to the theme park!





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SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The application process for secondary school places are now open. The closing date for all applications is **31st October**.



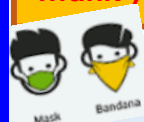
Outdoor Clothing



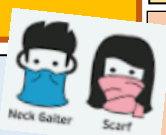
As the weather is getting colder and sometimes wet, please ensure that you send your child in to school with a warm/waterproof coat.

We are trying to continue with as much outdoor learning as possible and this means that we often go out in light rain or cold weather. As always, please name all items of clothing.

Thank you.



VISITORS TO THE OFFICE



A reminder that parents are not able to enter the reception area due to COVID. Please communicate with the office via email and telephone. Any forms that need to be returned can be posted in the box by the front door.

If there is a reason that you have been asked to come into the school, you must scan our QR code on entry and a face covering MUST be worn at all times.

Please DO NOT ask to come into school to check lost property.

OCTOBER

Week Commencing Mon 12th – Travelling Book Fair
Tues 20th – Flu Vaccines (please return consent)
Tues 20th – Parents Evening 1 (not in person)
Thurs 22nd – Parents Evening 2 (not in person)
Thurs 22nd – Interest Group Day
Friday 23rd – INSET DAY / End of Term 1



NOVEMBER

Mon 2nd – Start of Term 2

HARVEST CELEBRATION SERVICE



Our harvest celebration service will be a service streamed to classes on Monday 12th October. As part of our celebrations there is an opportunity to give to the work of Christians Against Poverty (CAP) in one of two ways. Financial gifts can be paid direct into the 'PCC of Christ Church Downend' bank account Sort code 30-98-06, Account No. 07307109 (please mention CAP in the reference line); non perishable goods such as tins and packets can be left in the CAP crate outside the Christ Church Parish Hall on North Street during the week commencing 5th October. All donations will help to support families in need in the local area at this challenging time.

COVID REMINDER

A reminder that your child **SHOULD NOT** come to school if they, or any of your household have **ANY** of the following symptoms:

- Persistent cough
- Temperature (37.8+)
- Change to taste or smell

You just Speak to 119 or go to for <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus> for advice.

Your child and household MUST self-isolate for 14 days or until you have a negative test result.

Children who are otherwise well with:

- Runny nose
- Sore throat with **NO** fever
- Mild colds

Can go to school AS NORMAL

Please see our flowchart if you require further guidance.

For Covid FAQs [click here](#)

