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CCJ NEWS ...



Happy Christmas CCJ Community!

What a final week we have had, although we have missed Starlings. On Monday we watched the Selfish Giant theatre production, kindly paid for by the Friends of CCJ. On Tuesday we then met the actors virtually and asked them questions and gave them feedback! Yesterday, I was utterly blown away by a combined effort from the class naughty elves (coordinated by Miss Thackeray!) to surprise me with a socially distanced carol singing on the playground. It really was the best present I could have asked for and certainly moved me to tears.

I am so overwhelmingly proud of how the children have not just coped this term, but have thrived and smiled all the way, they really are amazing. As your wall of parent comments said too, this can happen because every single member of staff working from the front desk to the kitchen to the classrooms is so utterly dedicated to the children and so professional but caring in their approach. A huge thank you goes out to the whole team, to our wonderful community and of course our brilliant children. Have a wonderful Christmas with your family.

Mrs Osborne

Positive COVID Results

If you have a confirmed case of COVID over Christmas, please continue to alert us but as the staff will not be checking the email as often, please also email ey-schoolscovidincidents@southglos.gov.uk

Hamper Raffle

Thank you to all who have donated to our Christmas Hamper Raffle! We were able to make up 7 hampers and 3 mini bags! Congratulations to the lucky winners!

CCJ Moments of Joy ...

Xmas Factor, Dress Down
Secret Santa & Christmas Parties

Teacher Messages & Gifts

On behalf of all the CCJ staff, we would like to say a big thank you for all your kind messages and lovely gifts.

THANK YOU!

We would like to say a huge
THANK YOU
to Grace Church for their
festive foodbags and for the
wonderful present bags from
Christ Church, Sirona and the
Salvation Army.

And also a big thank you to our
CCJ families for all the
donations that we have
received. If anyone needs any
help over Christmas, then email
Pippa.osborne@sgmail.org.uk

Keep your family and
community **safe** this
Christmas and New Year

We are urging everyone to think carefully
about their plans for the festive season



We want to say a big thank you for making these sacrifices.

Full details of the rules over Christmas are available at: www.gov.uk/coronavirus

#keepsouthglossafe

So we don't all have
to 'elf-isolate' this
Christmas,

remember...

HANDS

FACE

SPACE



Stop the spread. Do the right thing.

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January Changes to Drop Off, PE, Forest Schools, Clubs and Lunches

Changes to Staggered Start and Finish Times

Following feedback from parents and carers, we will be changing our staggered start and finish times. We will now be organising the staggered times according to children's surnames. This should mean that where families have siblings in different classes, there will no longer be a 10-minute gap between drop offs and collections.

As before, we will be asking some children to start school at 8:45am and some to start at 8:55am to reduce the number of people on site at the same time. There will also continue to be a 10-minute gap between collections at 3:10pm or 3:20pm.

Children's surnames beginning:

A-L

8:45am arrival

3:10pm collection

Children's surnames beginning

M-Z

8:55am arrival

3:20pm collection

Please note: if the new start time/collection time is not possible due to work commitments or due to siblings attending other schools, please talk to your child's class teacher about your child switching to the other set of timings. The Infants are keeping their times of 8.40/8.50am and 3.05/3.15pm the same as they currently are.

NEW PE and Forest School Days:

Class	PE Days	Forest School
Starlings 3NK	Mondays and Fridays	Wednesdays
Swallows 3DK	Tuesdays and Fridays	Wednesdays
Woodpeckers 3/4FD	Tuesdays and Fridays	Mondays
Wagtails 4KR	Wednesdays and Thursdays	Tuesdays
Robins 4LD	Wednesdays and Fridays	Tuesdays
Puffins 5GC	Mondays and Thursdays	Fridays
Jays 5KW	Tuesdays and Thursdays	Fridays
Kingfishers 5/6RD	Thursdays and Fridays	Mondays
Falcons 6ET	Mondays and Tuesdays	Thursdays
Kestrels 6LL	Mondays and Wednesdays	Thursdays

Changes to Lunchtimes

Children will still be eating their lunch in their bubbles to keep everyone safe but we are now moving back to serving school dinners on plates from the hot trolley each lunchtime. This will mean that we can aim to ensure the meals always stay warm and that we use less plastics and polystyrene!

Masks

We thank you all for continuing to protect our children, staff and community by wearing a mask during drop off and collection.

As always, we thank you for your continued support.





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PREMIER

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

From Term 3 we are excited to be able to start back the following after school football clubs:

Monday - Year 6

Tuesday - Year 5

Thursday - Year 4

Friday - Year 3

The children will be outside as no indoor space is available. Therefore, could parents ensure that the children bring appropriate clothing to include trainers, as if the field is too wet and dangerous, we can still use the playground.

HOLIDAY CLUBS

February Half Term

Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th, Friday 19th

April Half Term

Week 1 - Tuesday 6th, Wednesday 7th, Thursday 8th, Friday 9th,

Week 2 - Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th, Friday 16th (Confirmation deadline 25th January)

May/June Half Term

Tuesday 1st June, Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd, Friday 4th (Confirmation deadline 22nd March)

Summer Holiday

Week 1 - Thursday 22nd July, Friday 23rd,

Week 2 - Monday 26th, Tuesday 27th, Wednesday 28th, Thursday 29th, Friday 30th,

Week 3 - Monday 2nd August, Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th, Thursday 5th, Friday 6th,

Week 4 - Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th, Thursday 12th, Friday 13th,

Week 5 - Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th, Thursday 19th, Friday 20th,

Week 6 - Monday 23rd, Tuesday 24th, Wednesday 25th, Thursday 26th, Friday 27th and

Week 7 - Tuesday 31st (Confirmation deadline 17th May)

[CLICK HERE TO BOOK](#)

Dance Club – Term 3

Karen Davies will be restarting her after school dance club for Year 5's on a Friday after school in Term 3. Details to follow...

PUPIL PREMIUM

If your child is Pupil Premium, they entitled to 1 club per term subsidised by CCJ. Please contact the school office if interested in a space.

CCJ Dates for Your Diary....

JANUARY

Mon 4th – INSET DAY

Tues 5th – Start of Term 3

ATTENDANCE - TERM 1 & 2

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
Swallow Y3	98.8
Wagtail Y4	98.7
Jay Y5	98.2
Starling Y3	97.7
Kingfisher Y5/Y6	97.6
Falcon Y6	97.5
Puffin Y5	97.4
Robin Y4	97.3
Kestrel Y6	97.3
Woodpecker Y3/Y4	96.4
Totals	97.7

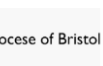
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WOW! What a great end to term 2 with 97.7%! We look forward to seeing you all at the start of 2021.

Thank you for your continued support.





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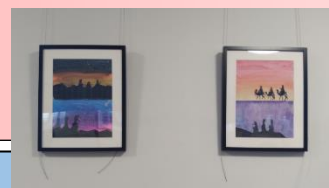
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Downend Christmas Trail

We can't run a Crib Service this year so the nativity is hitting the High Street! Download a Trail Map from the website [Here](#) or Facebook [Here](#)

Find the Nativity scenes in the shop windows, Scan the QR code, Watch the videos telling the Christmas story and Collect a Jigsaw piece from each shop taking part. The trail runs Mon 21 Dec - Thurs 24th Dec. End up by visiting Christ Church to see the whole Nativity scene. Church open 10-2 Mon 21, Tues 22, Wed 23 and from 10 - 12.30 on Christmas Eve.

... Watch out for some of our CCJ children's beautiful art work on display!



Christmas Week at CCJ

Xmas Factor, Dress Down, Secret Santa,
Christmas Parties & Carols in the Playground!

