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This week from CCJ....

Keep Calm and Carry On!

On Tuesday, we had one of our external visits from our School Improvement Advisor who makes judgements and recommendations about our school to us and to the local authority. As it was virtual, we decided to let her speak with many members of staff from the office team to teaching assistants to teachers to find out what was happening at CCJ. She was so incredibly positive about all she saw and heard. She then gave us our next step of 'keep calm and carry on!' Here are a few of the things she said;

Absolute dedication from the whole staff to living the school values and ethos.

Team approach to ensuring that every child is cared for and their needs addressed.

Wellbeing and mental health remains a high priority for the school, who always look for ways to improve.

Staff have a willingness to reflect and question the 'why' in what they are doing.

In spite of COVID, there is a constant move forwards and willingness to find new ways of working.

Strong relationships exist with both parents and Governors.

The senior leadership team have also spent a long time this week dipping in and out of the learning, tasks, videos, Googlemeets, work submitted and feedback given from every single class. It is incredible to see the quality of learning opportunities, breadth of subjects and amazing level of engagement from children across the school. So well done and thank you both to the staff across the school for all their hard work but also a heartfelt thank you to every one of you enabling your children to access the lessons and meetings from home. Although we all know children being in school is best, you are making it work, children are learning whilst engaging with their friends and teachers and I know our community will come through this once again stronger together. So my final words ... keep calm and carry on!

Mrs Osborne

10K for CCJ!

Don't forget the Friends of CCJ are running a "10K for CCJ" event in the two weeks running up to February half-term 2021. It will be added into the Class time tables, daily from 1st Feb. This will be for all CCJ children to take part in, along with whoever else they can rope in! An email has been sent out with full information and a sponsor form for this event. If you have not received it, please [CLICK HERE](#) or contact the school office.

Good luck and have fun!!

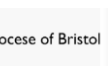
Governor Survey

The governors have created a survey about CCJ's home learning (click on the link below) that should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete.

Part of the role of our governors is to ensure that the school is providing the best possible experience for your children. Your feedback will help us better understand the effectiveness of CCJ's approach to home learning.

The governors would be grateful if you could respond by Friday 29th January. Your responses are anonymous, and the information you provide will be kept for no longer than 12 months on a secure server. To support your anonymity, please avoid using any names in your feedback.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=JUusrfCLjsEqTVLApi5DMR8o4dx9gDcxlpTjBrg8ezOFUNIIQOVNPMjdNUEDKRRkJDSVgwRFFIRV VHMSQIQCN0PWcu>





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Coronavirus: How to keep children healthy, happy, learning and entertained at home

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Here is your free e-copy of Family First magazine, packed full of information to help keep children happy, learning & entertained at home during lockdown - We hope it helps in some way. Please click on the link below:

https://issuu.com/sevenstarmedia/docs/ff_issue_7_digital211220



Explaining Covid to Younger Children

This is a link to a lovely free online book called "What is Going on?" which explains Covid to younger children.

<https://www.flipsnack.com/CSKiddsBooks/what-s-going-on.html>

Parents Evenings

Parent's evenings will be on the last week of this term and be held via zoom. More details will follow. Written reports won't be sent home until the end of Term 4.

Next Week's LTD Dance Zooms!

Tues 11am Year 3 & Y3/4

Weds 11am Year 4

Thurs 11am Year 5

Fri 11am Year 6 and Y5/6



The Zoom number for each one will be 816 108 3039 and passwords is the same as for assemblies. This week we will text reminders, please keep hold of the details as we cannot put the password in the newsletter.

New Staging!

We have been lucky to secure a £4,750 grant from the Local Authority for new staging! This is 12x12m2 staging including backdrop curtains, steps and handrails, which will replace our old staging in the main hall. We are excited to have received this and are looking forward to future nativities and productions. Thank you South Glos council!



Stay at Home where possible

We will provide face to face learning where parents are critical workers and children cannot be safely looked after at home. Where possible, please keep your child at home to learn.

As always, thank you for your support.

CCJ Moments of Joy Term 3...

Lots of excitement this week as we have been handing out the Power Maths books, skipping ropes & badges this week as well as taking part in the online skipping lesson!

Week 4 – LTD Online dance workshops

Week 5 – English Extravaganza!

Week 6 – E-safety activities



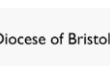
Free School Meals

If you think that you may be entitled to this please click on the link below to apply. This benefit stays with your child for the next 6 years of their school life.

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

Blended Learning

If you have any questions or issues with online learning, please contact us on CCJblendedlearning@sgmail.org.uk





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Dan the Skipping Man!

As this week's moment of joy, we were delighted to have a live stream from Dan the Skipping Man despite the internet going down yesterday, it has been excellent to have the launch today. It has also been incredible to see the joy on so many faces as children have collected their ropes, maths books and badges. Mrs Cleave has even said that while she is walking her dog, she keeps seeing children at home skipping which is amazing to hear. If you haven't picked yours up yet, then please pop in any time next week so no one misses out!



Some of the incredible learning this week

