Friday 5th March 2021 - N°23

CCJ Newsletter



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10k for CCJ

We ran the "10k for CCJ" event in the three weeks running up to and including February Half Term (29th Jan-19th Feb). The idea was originally inspired by Lewis, one of our year 5 pupils, who kept himself (and his family!) fit during Lockdown 1.0 and set himself the admirable target of running a 10k for his 10th birthday to raise some money for the school. We were all struggling to keep our kids (and ourselves!) active due to Lockdown 3.0 falling in the middle of winter but we were aware of the positive impact of exercise on both physical and mental health. So we joined forces with teachers at CCJ to challenge our children and their families to complete 10k in whatever way they wanted over the three-week period, and raise some money towards new play equipment for CCJ if they wanted to. It was an event that could go ahead despite the COVID restrictions, and something positive we could do together (while apart!) as a school From the Friends of CCJ community.

Moment of Joy: Antarctic Explorer!

This week we had an amazing virtual talk from Zanna, one of the Ice Maiden team, who skied across Antarctica in an incredible record breaking expedition. The children were fascinated! Thank you @PolarPerform for inspiring CCJ to think big and to ask ourselves what goal do we want to achieve?





10K Superstars!!



Wow – what an incredible achievement over the last month to have so many families complete their 10K challenge either walking, running, scooting or cycling. The amount raised towards the new climbing equipment for the playground is astounding and means we have raised over 10% of the cost this year already, which added to last year's efforts, means we are about 1/3 of the way there.

An enormous thank you to every one of you that took part, promoted or sponsored the event – it really does make such a difference. Also, a huge thank you to Lewis in Y5 for coming up with the idea and to the Friends of CCJ who organised, publicised and ran the whole event. As always it makes me feel so lucky to have such a supportive community to work in. *Mrs Osborne*

PE Days from next week

Starlings - Monday and Friday (Forest schools Wednesday)
Swallows - Tuesday and Friday (Forest schools Wednesday)
Woodpeckers - Wednesday and Thursday (Forest schools Monday)
Wagtails - Wednesday and Thursday (Forest schools Tuesday)
Robins - Wednesday and Friday (Forest schools Tuesday)

Puffins - Monday and Tuesday (Forest schools Friday)
Jays - Tuesday and Thursday (Forest schools Friday)
Kingfishers - Thursday and Friday (Forest schools Monday)
Falcons - Monday and Tuesday (Forest schools Thursday)
Kestrels - Monday and Wednesday (Forest schools Thursday)

CCJ Moments of Joy

Week 3 – Body Percussion
Week 4 – Joseph Elliott (Author)
Week 5 – Fitness & Fun!
Week 6 – Blue Peter Badges #2

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our Donations for Moments of Joy raising over £1000 towards them already. Please do not feel it is compulsory at all to make a donation, but if you wish to donate from 1p upwards, you can do this on Parent Pay in the school shop called 'donations for moments of joy'.

















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Masked Singer

We hope that everyone enjoyed watching the 'Masked Reader' video for World Book Day! Were you able to guess who they were? £1 vouchers will come home on Monday







Secondary Applications

Secondary school places have been announced this week and we really hope that you all got the schools that you wanted. If you have any queries, please contact the admissions department directly on 01454 868008.

Band Pages

As children return to school full-time next week, don't forget to check out our Lower Band and Upper Band website pages. You will find information about the topic, spellings overviews and other key notices about what's coming up.

Bottle of Wishes

An email has gone out with information about Bottle of Wishes and Request Design Sheets. These will be available in classrooms from next week. Please show these to your children, as their input is important to us.

Classroom Furniture

Over the coming weeks we will be replacing ALL of the classroom desks and chairs after more than 25 years! Therefore, we have a lot of old tables to get rid of. If you would like any of them, or know of any organisations, clubs etc. that could make use of them please contact the school office.

After School Clubs with Premier at CCJ

The after school clubs will be smaller, socially distance groups (maximum of 15 per club) all clubs on offer can be delivered whilst observing the 2m social distancing rule, enabling us to provide fun and engaging activities in a SAFE way.

What to bring:

- Plenty of water
- Suitable clothing for the weather and activity
- Shin pads

Dates, Times, Activities & Year Group:

Mon 19th April - 24th May 3:20pm - 4:30pm **FOOTBALL** (Year 6) Tues 20th April - 25th May 3:20pm - 4:30pm **FOOTBALL** (Year 5) Thur 22nd April - 27th May 3:20pm - 4:30pm **FOOTBALL** (Year 4) Fri 23rd April - 28th May 3:20pm - 4:30pm **FOOTBALL** (Year 3) **Price:** £27 per club (except Mondays which is £22.50 due to Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May). **How to book:**

Visit <u>premier-education.com</u> - bookings must be made in advance. Please do not turn up on the day without booking as your child will be sent to the school office and will be asked to be collected immediately. We will require a minimum of 6 bookings per club. Childcare vouchers are also accepted please see course info for details. If you have any queries, then please do not hesitate to contact 07476 032239 or <u>jcahill@premier-education.com</u>

Collecting LFT

Families and households with primary school, secondary school and college age children, including childcare and support bubbles, are being encouraged to take a test twice a week. Regular testing for those without symptoms keeps you, your family and our school community safe.

There will be a number of ways of accessing these rapid home tests. The council is working hard to provide kits for collection from sites in the community and this information will be shared once available.

For now:

- Rapid home testing kits can be booked for home delivery here: www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests
- Or take a test at one of the council's rapid testing sites in Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre, Kingswood Leisure Centre and Yate Parish Hall. Slots can be booked on our website www.southglos.gov.uk/book-rapid-test

Remember that anyone who has symptoms of Covid-19 should isolate and book a test online at www.gov.uk or by calling 119. Covid-19 symptoms include a new, continuous cough, high temperature, or a loss or change to their sense of taste or smell.

















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Around 40 children took part in the event - raising over £2800 - an absolutely amazing achievement!

Awards are as follows:

Fastest 10k on Foot: Boy = Finn K (an amazing 53 minutes!) and Girl = Molly B (over 10k in a fantastic 1 hour 25 with no training!)

Fastest 10k on Wheels: Kai and Tia B (cycled 10k in just over an hour)

Best Family 10k: Eliza H (cycled over 10k with her family including little sister!)

Muddiest 10k: Sam P (mountain biking - mud up to his face!)

Best Photo from a 10k: Joseph H (sliding down an icy hill in shorts!)

10k Most Ways: Eva M (walked, ran, cycled, scooted 10k)

Outstanding Achievements:

Year 6 - Charlie E (whole family did 50k in various ways) and Best Fancy Dress 10k

Year 5 - Lewis K-W (came up with the idea for the event and also completed 50k, including a 10k run on his 10th birthday)

Year 4 - Hattie D (broke her 2k record while doing her 10k)

Year 3 - Samuel T (ran 22k in 1 week)

Every child who took part did extremely well and we are so proud of them!















