Friday 12th March 2021 – N°24 CCJ Newsletter



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Welcome back & classroom furniture

It has been a wonderful first week back with so many happy, settled children playing and learning throughout the school which is exactly what we love to see. Thank you for all your understanding with the measures in place to reduce transmission through wearing face masks and the staggered start and end of day timings – it



really does make a difference.

We are also delighted that the first classrooms (Y6) have had brand new chairs and tables after more than 25 years! We are aiming to replace them across the whole school between this financial year and next. It's a huge financial investment for us, but children are delighted to have a fresh look in class! *Mrs Osborne*



Can you help?

This week we took delivery of 7 more recycled picnic benches for the playground. This is obviously going to be very time consuming for our wonderful caretaker to build! Therefore, we are asking for any

volunteers that could help put them together. If anyone is willing and able to help, please contact the school office. We would be extremely grateful for any help!



Moment of Joy: Body Percussion

Each year group had the opportunity to join in with a Zoom Body Percussion session on Wednesday. We all used our bodies to make different sounds and rhythms, sang silly songs about animals in the jungle and some year groups even learnt a little sign language! It was so lovely to watch the children and staff thoroughly enjoying themselves!

Mother's day

Wishing all our mothers, stepmothers and grandmothers a very happy Mother's Day. We hope you have a wonderful day with your families.

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Easter Garden Competition

We are having an Easter Garden competition on the last day of term, Wed 31st March. If your child would like to

enter, please bring in entries from Monday 29th March. We look forward to seeing their creations to help us celebrate Easter!



CCJ Moments of Joy

Week 4 – Joseph Elliott (Author) and Comic Relief!

We are extremely excited to be welcoming actor, scriptwriter and author of The Broken Raven & The Good Hawk, Joseph Elliot. He will be sharing some extracts from his book to the whole school via a virtual assembly. We have a special connection as Joseph's mum, Mrs Elliot was a teacher at CCJ and only retired a couple of years ago!



Still to come... Week 5 – Cross Country, Fitness & Fun! Week 6 – Easter Gardens and Blue Peter Badges #2





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School Council News Friday 19th March – Comic Relief

- * Dress Down Day (suggested donation of £1)
- * Nose & Spoon Race
- * Class Joke in Celebration Assembly.



The link to the donations page is: https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/D efault.aspx?shopid=3290

Easter Hamper Raffle

We are asking for donations of chocolate & sweets to put together some yummy Easter Hampers. Please can all donations be handed in by Wed 24th March to enable us time to put them together.

Tickets can be bought on ParentPay and the raffle will be drawn on Mon 29th March.

School site safety rules

It is lovely to see everyone back at CCJ. Please can we remind you that while on the school site,

please remember:

- School gates open at 8:45am
- 2 Meters apart at ALL times
- A face covering MUST be worn
- Follow the one way system

Thank you for your understanding + cooperation.

Pupil absence

Now the children are back at school, please can we remind you of the pupil absence procedure. If your child is unwell then you MUST contact the school by 8:45am to let us know the reason. You MUST contact us every day of the absence.

Sickness & Diarrhoea – your child must stay off school for 48hrs after the last episode.

Covid-19 – anyone showing signs of symptoms 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. You must inform the school.



Premier after school football clubs 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).

Visit premier-education.com

Christ Church, Downend: Tree of Hope

Come and tie a ribbon on our Tree of Hope in memory of a loved one or as a simple prayer. We have renamed the yew tree in the churchyard at Christ Church Downend a Tree of

Hope, as it symbolises that hope goes on even in hard times. From 20th March until Easter. White ribbons will be available. For more information go to www.christchurchdownend.com



WOW!!

We would like to say a huge well done to Xavi's mum, Anira, who has been awarded Lord Mayors Medal for Humanitarian Bristol.

Anira Khokar established Humanitarian Bristol in March 2020. Humanitarian Bristol has provided 92,780 meals across Bristol via a team of 10 volunteers to those shielding and with no support networks. Humanitarian Bristol has now formalised as a social enterprise to enable them to branch out further into community engagement work. Well done for your hard work, and well done to Xavi for being the youngest volunteer helping throughout!

Collecting LFT

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 the website www.southglos.gov.uk/book-rapid-test





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CCJ dates for you diary

March

Fri 19th – Comic Relief dress down Wed 24th – Easter Raffle donations deadline Fri 26th – Whole School Cross Country (PE Kits) Mon 29th – Reports out to parents Wed 31st – Easter Garden competition Wed 31st – Easter Service Wed 31st – Dressdown as someone inspirational

April

Thurs 1st – Inset Day / End of Term 4 Mon 19th – Start of Term 5 Thurs 22nd – Bikability starts

Inset Days 2021/2022

Thursday 2nd September 2021 Monday 1st November 2021 Tuesday 4th January 2022 Monday 25th April 2022 Friday 24th June 2022 **Please note that these are in line with CCI**

This week at CCJ...





Forgive others as quickly as you except God to forgive you.





















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