

## Back Together Again

It is such a delight to walk around the school and start to see normality returning in that children are so naturally settling in the classrooms and spending time with friends. We have been advised at present that while numbers locally are diminishing, they are still higher than in September and therefore the local authority have asked us to ensure that all our safety measures stay in place until May half term, including wearing masks on site during drop-off and collection, our bubble systems in school and regular staff testing. Meanwhile, we are continuing our Moments of Joy each week – next week's focus is about keeping fit and we will also be having our annual cross country day in school. Have a lovely, restful weekend and enjoy the brighter weather and longer days!

*Mrs Osborne*



## CCJ Moments of Joy

Joseph Elliott (Author)

This week as our moment of joy we were delighted to welcome actor, scriptwriter and author Joseph Elliott. He spoke about being an author and even read snippets from both of his books: *The Broken Raven* & *The Good Hawk*. It was so inspirational for the children to listen to what he had to say and they thoroughly enjoyed it listening to him read. Thank you for taking the time to visit us Joseph! Signed books can be purchased with the link emailed to you, with 10% off, just for us!



**Still to come...**

**Week 5 – Cross Country, Fitness & Fun**  
**Week 6 – Easter Gardens**

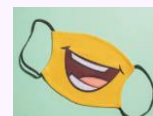
## Music Tuition

We are hoping to offer music lessons again in term 5 for **violin, viola, cello, trumpet, saxophone, baritone/French Horn, trombone, flute/fife and clarinet**. We will only be able to offer these lessons if enough children express an interest so please complete [this form](#) by Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> if you are interested in a space. The cost is expected to be £40 a term and your child will need their own instrument. If your child is eligible for pupil premium funding, we can cover the costs of the music lessons.

## 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 metres apart at ALL times.
- A face covering MUST be worn.
- Follow the one-way system.



Thank you for your understanding & cooperation.

## Easter Garden Competition

A reminder that if your child would like to enter our Easter Garden competition, entries need to be in by Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March. These will be judged on the last day of term, Wed 31<sup>st</sup> March.

We look forward to seeing their creations to help us celebrate Easter!





## 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. White ribbons will be available from 20<sup>th</sup> March to Easter.

For more information, go to [www.christchurchdownend.com](http://www.christchurchdownend.com)



## National Day of Reflection 23 March

**Time to look back as we reach 1 year since the first lockdown began.**

**Church open for prayer and reflection led by Rev Jo Vickery  
12-1 pm and 6-7pm**

<http://christchurchdownend.com/event-items/national-day-of-reflection/>



<https://www.facebook.com/events/211779970334169>

## School Council News

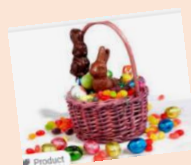
### Comic Relief

Today we have all enjoyed Comic Relief. The children were able to wear their own clothes, they took part in a Nose & Spoon Race and laughed at jokes in Celebration Assembly!! If you still wish to donate, please do this by the following link:  
<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.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 24<sup>th</sup> March** to enable us time to put them together.

Tickets can be bought on ParentPay and the raffle will be drawn on **Mon 29<sup>th</sup> March**.



**GOOD LUCK!**



## Premier after school football clubs

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> April - 24<sup>th</sup> May 3:20pm - 4:30pm (Year 6)  
Tues 20<sup>th</sup> April - 25<sup>th</sup> May 3:20pm - 4:30pm (Year 5)  
Thur 22<sup>nd</sup> April - 27<sup>th</sup> May 3:20pm - 4:30pm (Year 4)  
Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> April - 28<sup>th</sup> May 3:20pm - 4:30pm (Year 3)

**Price:** £27 per club (except Mondays which is £22.50 due to Bank Holiday Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May).

Visit [premier-education.com](http://premier-education.com)



## CCJ dates for your diary

### March

Wed 24<sup>th</sup> – Easter Raffle donations deadline  
Fri 26<sup>th</sup> – Whole School Cross Country (PE Kits)  
Mon 29<sup>th</sup> – Reports out to parents  
Wed 31<sup>st</sup> – Easter Garden competition  
Wed 31<sup>st</sup> – Easter Service  
Wed 31<sup>st</sup> – Dressdown as someone inspirational

### April

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> – Inset Day / End of Term 4  
Mon 19<sup>th</sup> – Start of Term 5  
Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> – Bikability starts  
Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> – Class / Leaver Photos

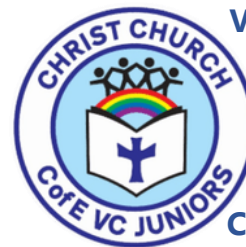
## Collecting LFT

Parents and carers of school-aged children are eligible for rapid home testing kit. These can be booked for home delivery here: [www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests](http://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](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/book-rapid-test)



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021 – N°25

# CCJ Newsletter



Value  
Engage  
Inspire  
Create

Our value this term: Forgiveness

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## This week at CCJ.....

