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CCJ Newsletter



Our value this term: Courage

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The Friends of CCJ

I wanted to say a massive thank you to the incredible team behind the Friends of CCJ for all the amazing work you have done to organise the Smarties challenge and Scarecrow trail over the last few weeks. Both have been so successful and raised a significant amount of money towards the new climbing equipment we are aiming to be able to install. Please read the Friends' newsletter that has been emailed out today for more details about each of the projects and for loads of lovely pictures. If you have any pictures of the scarecrow trail then we love seeing them on Twitter and as always, if you want to share the fund raising link with any friends and family, it is here https://app.investmycommunity.com/friends-of-christ-church-juniors-downend-2529



I also want to thank every one of you as parents who have also done so much to engage with the trail, collect coins for the Smarties Challenge, create scarecrows and of course contribute to raising the profile of the school's fund raising challenge. It is so exciting to think this may be a reality in the next year or so and at our Governor meetings this term we are going to look at whether we can also contribute towards the goal from our main budget – watch this space!

Mrs Osborne



Word Wizards!

Word Wizards! Each week in our classes, we are learning about a word that can be used across a range of different contexts and changed with prefixes (e.g. discover) and suffixes (e.g. covering), to broaden and deepen our understanding of vocabulary. If we see, say, write or hear any words in the word's word family in class; we are a 'word wizard' and earn a house point! Can you look out for this week's words outside of school as well?

This week's words: Lower Band: possess Upper Band: adapt

School Communications

ALL communications will now be sent via Arbor.

If you are yet to download the app, please do this as a matter of urgency as we no longer use Teacher to Parents/Eduspot. Communications will be sent via email, in app messages within Arbor. Please note that any urgent messages eg. school closure, first aid, cancelled event etc. will be sent as a text messages. If you have any problems with Arbor please contact the school office.

School Improvement Visit

Mr Desmond and I were delighted this week to welcome our Challenge School Partner to our school in person for the first time in over a year (although she has been supporting us remotely throughout!) as well as the Deputy Head from Marshfield primary school. They came in to look at two of our curriculum subjects, PE and PSHE. Mr Kennedy (our PE leader) and Miss Dockree (our PSHE leader) did a brilliant job at sharing how we plan, teach and assess in these subjects and then our visitors visited several classes to watch teaching before speaking to children and looking at our PSHE class books. We were so happy that she recognised the strength of our provision and teaching and that the children were brilliant at sharing the many ways in which we offer opportunities beyond the classroom through moments of joy, sports events, clubs and trips and external visitors. We were also clear with which areas we next want to develop further so watch this space!

















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Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

Our Year 4 children have been doing their final multiplication times tables check this week and almost all of them have now completed this. We are so proud of them all and the hardwork at home and school. Thank you to the Y4 staff team for all their motivation too!

Free School Meal Vouchers

As you may be aware the Government has decided that there will NOT be a Free School Meal Voucher Scheme this summer holidays, like there has been for previous school breaks. If you and your family are struggling, as always please contact Mrs Osborne so we can offer support.

Year 6 Activities Week

A reminder to please pay for Activity Week.

This needs to be paid by Friday 9th July.

As always, we would like all pupils to experience this week and therefore can offer support to any families who would struggle to contribute in this way. If you would like to arrange a payment plan, or discuss a subsidised payment, please email pippa.osborne@sgmail.org.uk as soon as possible.

CCJ dates for your diary

June

Fri 11th to 14th - Scarecrow Hunt Mon 14th to Fri - 18th Science Week Thurs 24th - MAD Olympics Mon 28th - INSET DAY

July

Mon 12th to Fri 16th - Y6 Activities Week Mon 19th - Leavers Service Wed 21st - End of Term 6

September

Thurs 2nd Sept – INSET DAY Thurs 2nd Sept – Start of Term 1

CCJ Moments of Joy

Throughout this week, Bristol University Chemistry
Department has delivered Science assemblies to all of
our students. It was our first experience having an
assembly with our year group and what an explosion
of fun it was! Balloons were made into fireballs, items
for frozen and shattered using dry ice and we made
observations while solutions changed states and
went through a kaleidoscope of colours. We even
learnt about elephant toothpaste! It was a fantastic
experience which made all of them excited about
studying Science at Secondary school (even our
lovely Year 3s!) and left several of our students
wanting to become Chemists when they are older.

Quotes from Swallows & Falcons:

"Most Epic Assembly Ever"

"I learnt about Chemistry in a fun and engaging way"

"Amazing because of all the explosions"

"I love the chemical reactions"

"The colour changes!"

"The balloons popping were scary but exciting!"

CCJ School Uniform

We are working closely with a new supplier who is offering the same uniform options with a discounted home delivery charge

http://www.unicornworkwear.net/

https://ww.monkhouse.com/

(previously Initially Yours)

Book an appointment

https://www.monkhouse.com/appointments?utm_medium=Email&ut m_source=School+newsletter&utm_campaign=Shop+Early+2021ent

If you are currently in receipt of FSM we will contact you shortly regarding our uniform offer for Sept 2021

Deadline for EU Settlement Status

If you're an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, you and your family can apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 30 June 2021. https://www.gov.uk/eusettledstatus















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