Friday 17th September 2021 - N°2

CCJ Newsletter



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Beautiful Mosaic

We are so delighted to have been working with David Bowers from Mosaic Madness for the whole week to create our 180th anniversary commemorative mosaic. Every child created a design and then we selected two from each class. Over half the school have then come in groups to help create the mosaic and it is looking incredible. We are so excited to be nearing completion so we can then share it with you all.

We are also delighted to have heard from every class where they have been nominating house captains, school councillors, eco reps, e-safety reps, worship monitors and class ambassadors so well done to everyone who applied. The other exciting news we had this week is that all our year 4, 5 and 6 children received their Blue Peter badges so a big congratulations to them.

School really does seem to be buzzing at the moment and we are so proud of all our children for coming to school with such positive attitudes!

Mrs Osborne

Postponed Flu Vaccine

Due to the announcement of the COVID-19 vaccine rollout to all 12 – 15 year olds, all primary school flu sessions due to be held before half-term have now been postponed. A new date for these will follow.

Uniform Reminder

Thank you for our parent feedback regarding uniform supplier. It would appear that due to their customer service, easy ordering and quick delivery that Unicorn are your preferred supplier. We have now added bookbags to our uniform, however these are not compulsory. If you wish to buy one, please order online directly with unicorn.

To order from Unicorn CLICK HERE

Year 3 MAD Olympiad

A reminder that next week, Thursday 23rd September our Year 3's will be attending the MAD Olympiad at Pomphrey Hill. If you haven't already done so, please can you pay the contribution toward the cost of the coach via Parent Pay. Please can you send your children into school on that day wearing their PE kit and a reminder that year 3 children must be at school by 8:30am on this day.

Foodbank Vouchers

We are aware that some families are struggling financially at the moment. We are able to help by giving vouchers for local foodbanks. If you are finding it difficult at the moment and would like some help, please contact Mrs Osborne.

Swimming Lessons

We are excited that we will be continuing with our swimming lessons next term for our Year 5s and some of our Year 6s. These will be starting Tuesday 2nd Nov, and will be running for 7 weeks. A letter with more information will be sent out in due course.

Parents' Meetings

Our Lower Band parents' meetings are taking place next week. There are still some free slots available on Arbor – please sign up using the app if you haven't already. These will take place on Zoom and codes will be emailed to you. Upper Band meetings will take place the following week.

Amendment to Term DatesJubilee Bank Holiday

Due to the Queen's Jubilee year next year, as you may be aware there is a change to the May Bank Holiday. This is now Thursday 2nd June & Friday 3rd June. Not Monday 30th May as in previous years.

As this falls in half-term, the local authority have made the decision to finish the academic year a day early. Therefore, the last day of Term 6 will be Thursday 21st July, not Friday 22nd July.

















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ParentPay

There are still outstanding payments on ParentPay for LB Stone Age Day, Year 3 MAD Olympiad and Year 5 Barton Camp deposit. Please log on and make payment for these. If you are unable to for any reason, please contact Pippa Osborne or Nicki Cleave as soon as possible.

As much as these are a voluntary contribution, the school is not in a position to fund these activities.

Therefore, if the cost of the activity is not met, we will be unable to go ahead in future.

Year 6 Lifeskills

We have booked to take the Year 6 to the Life Skills Centre on the 23rd & 24th November. More information and payment for this will be on ParentPay next week.

Year 5 Barton Camp

A reminder that Barton Camp deposits are now overdue. The final payment is due on 8th October at the latest. Please can you assist us by paying promptly on the Parent Pay system. If you are having problems with payment, please contact Mrs Osborne immediately.

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: **describe** Upper Band: **value**



Year 4 Barton Camp

We are excited to tell you that Year 4 will be going to Barton Camp this year!

Wed 16th - Fri 18th March 2022.

Letters will be sent out next week.

Y6 Deanfield Camp

Deanfield camp has been arranged for Mon 23rd May – Weds 25th May

On the remaining days of that week (26th and 27th May), the children will be doing exciting activity days at CCJ.

A letter with more information will be sent out next week.

CCJ dates for your diary

September

W/b 20th – Y3/4 Parent evenings (on Zoom)
W/b 27th – Y5/6 Parent evenings (on Zoom)
Thurs 23rd AM – Year 3 MAD Olympiad (all year 3s)
Thurs 23rd PM – Year 4/5/6 MAD Olympiad (not all children)

October

Tues 5th – NHS Flu Vaccines

Thurs 7th – Harvest Service at Christ Church

Wed 13th – Fri 15th – Year 5 Barton Camp

Fri 22nd – END OF TERM

November

Mon 1st – INSET DAY Tues 2nd – Back to school Tues 23rd /Wed 24th – Year 6 Lifeskills

















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What has been happening at CCJ.....







































