



## Sporting Champions!

Yesterday, Mr Kennedy and I had the very great pleasure of seeing all our Y3 children during the morning and a selected group of Y4, 5 and 6 in the afternoon compete against all the local Mangotsfield and Downend schools in the MAD Olympiad at Pomphrey Hill. The event had been postponed from June last year and we had debated whether we felt it was right to take our new Y3 year group when they'd only been with us for 3 weeks. However, the staff didn't want them all to miss out and so we got them on coaches for the first time since reception and off we went! It was absolutely the right decision as they behaved amazingly and put so much effort into every event, so to all our year 3 children a massive thank you and well done for making us so very proud.

Our year 4, 5 and 6 pupils then arrived after lunch, having been selected from the sporting events at the end of last year. They completed against the other nine schools in track and field events and every single person put 100% effort into every event they were in. They were also such wonderful sports people congratulating others, building each other up and cheering louder than any other school. We are so incredibly proud of the many achievements, including many bronze, silver and gold medals individually, however, every single entry earned points for our school and it shows the level of effort every single person put in as we were awarded:

## 2<sup>nd</sup> place for South Glos!

### Parents' Meetings

Our Lower Band parents' meetings were held this week. Thank you to the teachers for their time preparing and holding these and we hope parents/carers found these valuable.

Upper Band meetings will take place next week. There are still some free slots available on Arbor – please sign up using the app if you haven't already.

### Can you help??

This week we had some wonderful benches installed in our forest school area. We would now like to enhance the area more by having a brick fire pit built in the middle.

Do you have any experience with building one of these or anything similar? Or know of anyone that has?  
If you can help, please contact Mrs Osborne.



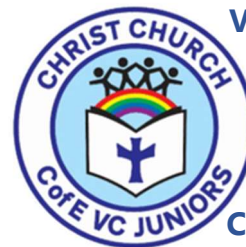
### Welcome to our new families!

This week we have had three new child join CCJ.

We welcome Anya into Swallows, Oscar into Starlings and Eric into Puffins.

If you see the children and their families around school, please do say hello and make them feel welcome!





## Photo Permissions

With the children taking part in so many fun activities this term such as MAD Olympiad, stone age day, making a mosaic and more, we would love to be able to take and share photos of your children having fun!

Unfortunately, we are unable to do this without your permission.

If you would like to see photos of your child on Twitter and/or in the newsletter you **MUST** consent. **Please do this by going onto your Arbor account and accepting the permissions.**

Speak to the office if you have any queries.

## Word Wizards!



This week's words:

Lower Band: **communicate**

Upper Band: **explain**

## Harvest Celebration

Our annual harvest service will take place at Christ Church on the 7<sup>th</sup> October.

We would warmly welcome donations of tinned or packaged items of food for those in need in our local community. If you would like to donate, please send any items to your child's class before the 7<sup>th</sup>.

## Lunch Reminder

Please remember that CCJ is a **NUT FREE school!** We have pupils with nut allergies and therefore nuts and items of food containing nuts, such as cakes, chocolate spread, chocolate hazelnut pots, chocolate bars etc are all banned!!



## Secondary School Applications

The application process for secondary school places will open next week with the **closing date of 31<sup>st</sup> October.**

Secondary schools do not inform us of their open days/evenings, therefore please refer to their websites for more details.

## Free School Meals

Is your child(ren) entitled to a free school meal? Don't miss out on the benefit-related Free School Meal offer. You can quickly check if you are eligible and apply

at [www.southglos.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/schoolmeals)

A hot, freshly prepared meal at lunchtime can help with learning, concentration, and positive behaviour. *This will also entitle you to free CCJ uniform and help towards trips and visits.*

## Pupil Absence

Please report all sickness or absence to the school phone 01454 866516 or email [christchurchjuniors@sgmail.org.uk](mailto:christchurchjuniors@sgmail.org.uk) (NOT to Mrs Osborne). This needs to be done for **EVERY** day that they are ill. Thank you.

## CCJ dates for your diary

### September

W/b 27<sup>th</sup> – Y5/6 Parent evenings (on Zoom)

### October

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> – NHS Flu Vaccines

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> – Harvest Service at Christ Church

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> – School Census

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> – Fri 15<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Barton Camp

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> – Individual Photos

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> – END OF TERM

### November

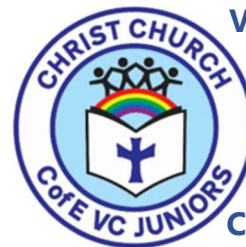
Mon 1<sup>st</sup> – INSET DAY

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> – Back to school

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> /Wed 24<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Lifeskills

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021 – N°3

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A massive thank you to Y6 who applied for the role of house captain. There were so many strong applications. This year's CCJ House Captains are...



**Isla Munday**  
**Kaspar Barber**



**Lilly Snell**  
**Thomas Newby**



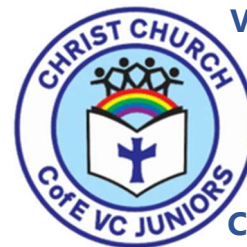
**Anna Trudgen**  
**Isaac Dyer**



**Poppy Franklin**  
**Loris Favali**

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## Welcome to Mrs Hall!

"Hello! I am Mrs Hall and I am joining CCJ as a teaching assistant in year 3, brand new like the new year 3 children. I am really enjoying getting to know the variety of personalities in the year group as well as working with the lower band team, the new members of staff and those that are part of the furniture. I have been teaching for 12 years, living in London then relocating to Bristol over 4 years ago with my husband and two children, aged nearly 3 and 7. We are an active family, cycling, climbing, swimming and gymnastics feature most weeks in our schedule, is Disney+ a sport? Growing up in Malvern, Worcestershire and studying in Bristol (far too long ago to admit to a date) has meant that moving back west has felt like coming home. I live locally to the school and love seeing school families in and around the community and no doubt will get to know more of you as the year progresses."



## What has been happening at CCJ.....

