## Friday 15th October 2021 - N°6

# **CCJ Newsletter**



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## **Year 5 Barton Camp**

It has been amazing to once again return to Barton camp, this time with our year 5 children. They have had an amazing time full of activities such as forest school, swimming, arts and crafts, bug hunts, football and playtime! I am always blown away by what a different side we see to children and it is certainly a great way to see them flourish. I think you will have a lot of tales to hear and exciting stories to share this weekend, but certainly I also think there will be the need for a quiet weekend with lots of sleep (especially for the staff!).

One thing that was very apparent was how many more of the children felt wobbly at night due to missing parents than has been the case pre-pandemic. Many of them said that they had never/not for a long time stayed away from home without Mum or Dad with them. This will have been even worse through the pandemic where opportunities for camps and sleepovers are much harder. As we are planning to take year 4 and year 6 on their respective camps in March and May, I would urge families to look for opportunities to give your children the chance to have a night away from home to build up confidence and resilience. Whether it is a sleepover with a friend or even with Gran and Grandad, it would really help your children to feel confident at night when they are away with us for a couple of nights. A huge well done to all our Year 5 for such a fantastic camp and thank you to our staff and student teachers for enabling it to happen.

Mrs Osborne

#### **Word Wizards!**

This week's words: Lower Band: **habitat** Upper Band: **direct** 



#### Year 4

On **Wed 20<sup>th</sup> October at 5pm** we will be holding a zoom meeting for Year 4 parents and carers. During the meeting we will inform you about this year's times tables tests along with information about the Barton Camp trip which will take place 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

#### Lifeskills

Due to current Covid restrictions at the Life Skills centre, we are unable to take all year 6 students on one day as we have previously done. This unfortunately pushes up the cost of the trip making it not financially viable for families with Christmas just around the corner and the costs of Y6 camp. Therefore, we have made the decision to postpone the trip and may look at offering it later on in the year when restrictions have eased.

#### **Y7 Secondary School Applications**

The deadline for secondary school applications online is 31st October for South Glos.

If you miss this deadline you will not be allocated a place until the second release of applications which is April 2022.

Should you have queries you can phone the admissions line 01454 868008, please bear in mind that phone lines are very busy at this time of year, so please do not leave your application too late.

http://www.southglos.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-education/school-admissions/secondary-school-admissions/

If you do not have a South Glos postcode and fall under Bristol City Council, please contact their admission team directly.

#### **Leavers Hoodies**

If you have not ordered your Leavers hoodie yet please order by clicking the link below.

**Click Here** 

The deadline for orders is 16<sup>th</sup> Oct.



















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#### **School Photos**

Individual and sibling photos will now go ahead on **Friday 12**<sup>th</sup> **November**. Individual school photos will be taken during the school day, class by class. Older siblings will collect younger siblings that attend CCJ for family photographs. Sadly, we are unable to accommodate external siblings this year. Please ensure that you have given photo permission for 'external photographers' on Arbor or we cannot take your child's picture.

#### Thank you!

Some of CCJs wonderful pupils have been raising money for the new play equipment by baking cakes. They have had two cake sales on Grace Road, which has made a total of £42. A huge thanks to Tia, Amelie, Flo & Alana.

If you or your child would like to do something to raise money for the new play equipment at CCJ please get in touch or set up your own fundraising page at www.newplayforccj.org



#### Reception

As you can imagine the start of the school day is extremely busy from Reception with sorting out attendance and lunches for the day. Therefore, the telephone will NOT be answered between 9am – 9:30am. If you do call at this time, please leave a message and someone will get back to you if required.

### **Break the Rules Day!**

Break the Rules Day will be held on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**. Children will be able to choose to break up to five rules, each rule will cost 50p. These can be paid for via ParentPay.

All money raised will go toward the new **clamber stack**.

#### Rules that can be broken are:

- 1) Wear what you want
- 2) Paint your nails
- 3) Spray colour your hair
- 4) Bring a toy to school
- 5) Eat pudding first
- 6) Eat snacks when you want
- 7) Paint your face
- 8) Wear a temporary tattoo
- 9) Write in the wrong pen/pencil
- 10) Eat junk food as a snack
- 11) Wear a funny hat
- 12) Wear a football shirt

### **CCJ Friends Events**



### Flower Arranging

Monday 6th December

For more information about the Friends and their events, please <u>CLICK HERE</u>

Please do help support them as all money raised from these events will go towards the clamber stack!

## **CCJ** dates for your diary

#### **October**

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> – Dress Down / Break the Rules Day!
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> – END OF TERM
Sun 31<sup>st</sup> – Y7 Secondary School Application Deadline

#### November

Mon 1st - INSET DAY

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> – Back to school Fri 12<sup>th</sup> – Individual Photos

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

















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## **CCJ at Barton Camp.....**











































































