Friday 17th December 2021 – N°14

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End of Term

Wow – what an end to term! Despite having to adapt activities to make them safer we have had a wonderful end to the year with Xmas Factor, Christmas jumper day and Christmas parties. A huge well done to the lower band who did their beautiful Nativity and it was wonderful to see so many parents safely watching in Church. The upper band also did us proud with the bazaar on Wednesday, which was full of hand-made Christmas gifts and year 6 games – well done to everyone involved.

So what about January? I honestly do not know, as we do not get told anything more than we see on the news. I was interviewed on BBC Radio Bristol this morning and said that I firmly believed the best option was for every child to be in school learning as home learning does not work for so many children and we know they miss so much by not being able to be with their friends. I sincerely hope that we will be open as usual and this is what we are planning for. However, in we are told otherwise, please do also check that know how to access Google Classroom. May I take opportunity to wish you and your families a wonderful Christmas and New Year! See you in

PE and Forest School T3

Please see below for next term's PE and forest days. Please remember that children should wear PE kit on PE days and normal school uniform with a change of shoes and warm coats/gloves/scarves on forest school days.

Class	PE days		FS
3NK	Tues	Weds	Mon
3DK	Tues	Weds	Mon
3/4FD	Mon	Weds	Thurs
4KW	Mon	Thurs	Fri
4LD	Mon	Thurs	Fri
5GC	Thurs	Fri	Tues
5KR	Thurs	Fri	Tues
5/6ET	Mon	Fri	Weds
6KR	Tues	Weds	Thurs
6LL	Tues	Fri	Weds

Helping our Community

Section January 2022!

It has been wonderful that we have been able to help families within our school community again. We would like to thank the Salvation Army and Grace Church for their generous donations to our school. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank some of our parents/carers who have helped families in need this Christmas. The families that have received these packages have been overwhelmed and extremely grateful for the help. We are blessed to have such a wonderful community around us.

If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals please <u>click here</u>

Leavers' Hoodies

We have been updated by Unicorn and they have confirmed the hoodies will be with us for the start of next term. We can only apologise for the delay in this and hope that you understand that this has been out of our hands.

Xmas Factor

Wow! We had some incredible acts this year ranging from piano playing to roller skating to dancing and even a crab rap! Every who entered was amazing and we would like to thank you for taking part. The children (and Mrs Osborne/Mr Desmond!) had a wonderful morning of silliness and games between the acts.

Our Xmas Factor winner this year was Jessica Stanniforth!

January @ CCJ Tues 4th – INSET DAY Wed 5th – Term 3 Starts Tues 25th – Flu Vaccinations

Flu Vaccines - 25th January 2022

The Sirona Care and Health time will visit on Tuesday 25th January 2022 to carry out the nasal flu immunisations. Permission letters will go out next term to all parents.

















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Thank you from the Sherrell Family

The Sherell family have asked us to pass on their heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all the families who have supported them with words or gifts at what has been a very challenging time for the family.

Goodbye Mrs Doughty

We have also said goodbye to Mrs Doughty this week, who has worked at CCJ for over five years now as a lunchtime supervisor and reading assistant. She has supported so many children during her time with us and has been such a kind and caring colleague to all the staff here. We will miss her very much and would like to thank her for all that she has done over the years as well as wish her the best of luck in her new job in the healthcare vaccination team.

Y6 Camp and SATs information meeting

We will be holding a meeting on Zoom on Tuesday 11th January at 5pm for all year 6 parents. More information about camp and SATs will be given, including the chance to order subsidised revision guides.

Year 2 and new reception tours

We are hoping (restrictions permitting) to invite parents of children who will be starting reception at CCI in September 2022 and parents of children currently in year 2 to tour our school in person. There will be two opportunities – on Thursday 6th January and Friday 7th January, each at 3:30pm, so you can see the grounds in the light!

Romans and Greeks

Both the Lower and Upper Band have a history and geography focus next term! The Lower Band will be learning all about the Romans and the Upper Band all about the Greeks.

Upper Band will be having a Greek Day on the 10th January (please see Miss Thackeray's email) while the Lower Band will be having a Roman Experience Day later in the term. Watch this space for more details!

Goodbye Mrs Mathieson

Today is sadly Mrs Mathieson's last day at CCJ and she said goodbye to us in today's assembly. From next term, Mrs Mathieson will be starting her new role teaching a year 4 class at a different school in the Bristol area. We are very sad to see her leave CCJ but also delighted for her securing a new and exciting role. Mrs Mathieson has worked with us for over a year now, covering so many of our classes and tutoring so many of the children across the school. We wish her the very best of luck in her new adventure and thank her for all of her hard work, kindness and dedication.

Children's University



The children's passports have arrived and been sent home for all families who have purchased one so far. They are just £2 and we hope this new project will inspire all of our children to discover new learning opportunities and activities outside school.

Please see the email from earlier this week with ideas and suggestions for activities that can be completed at home as well as trips and visits in the local area if you have a quiet day over Christmas.

Your child should record the 'stamp code' of their activity in their passport and their online account so that they can start earning credits towards their graduation ceremony in the summer term!

















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