Friday 4th March 2022 - N°22

CCJ Newsletter



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Welcome back to term 4!

What a wonderful first week back. It has been great to welcome back several staff following illness as well as welcome two new members to our team (see below). We have also had World Book Day and Interest Groups today, which have filled the school with fun and laughter – we hope all the children have enjoyed them. We were delighted to welcome visitors to the school on Tuesday for an SEND review and feel so proud to hear the positive comments they made about our children, our staff and our provision. They were also very helpful in challenging

our thinking or offering other suggestions, which we will be acting upon. Before half term, children worked with David, our mosaic artist, to create a beautiful new installation at the front of the school. It depicts Jesus and his disciples as 'fishers of men' and uses the rainbow colours from our logo to show the inclusive nature of God's love for us all. We will be exploring this story in service this term. This is supposed to be an art installation, so please try to discourage children from climbing on it when they come into school or at the end of the day. *Mrs Osborne*



Donations - Help Wanted!FISH TANK

Does anyone happen to have an old and unwanted fish tank taking up room in their house/garage?!

If you do we would really appreciate taking it off your hands! Some of our children are learning about life and we would love them to watch the cycle of frogspawn to tadpoles to frogs!

THE HUNGRY CATAPILLAR

Does anyone have a hard back copy of this book that some of our SEN children could take of your hands and would help with their topic learning?

CARDBOARD CUT OUT

Does anyone have a life size cardboard cut out that they could donated to CCJ for comic relief?

LEGO

Do you have any old bits of Lego that are no longer played with or used? We would be extremely grateful to be able to add this to our Lego therapy sessions!

Children's University

For Children's University ideas have a look at all the suggestions on Newsletter 21, from the end of last term!



Secondary Applications

Secondary school places have been announced this week and we really hope that you all got the schools that you wanted. If you have any queries, please contact the admissions department directly on 01454 868008. I am sorry but we are not allowed to support with appeals.

COMIC RELIEF

Comic Relief

Friday 18th March

On Red Nose Day this year children are being encouraged to dress as a super-hero/hero for the day for a suggested donation £1.

The children can also pay £1 to throw 3 'Red Noses' at Mrs Osborne!! Who wouldn't want to do that?!

Payments can be made via ParentPay.

School Council

Thank you to everyone who made cakes for the cake sale today, there was brilliant selection! We had so many that we will be selling them after school today and again next week. Thank you to all the children who bought the cakes! We will let you know the grand total when all the cakes have been sold. All the money will go towards the clamber stack.



















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PE Days and Forest School Term 4

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 and wellies on forest school days.

Changes of days are in yellow.

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

Word Wizards!

This week's words: Lower Band: vary Upper Band: heart



CCJ dates for your diary

March

16th – 18th March – **Y4 Barton Camp** 29th – Easter Service at Christ Church (parents welcome) 30th – 2.50pm Y4 Ukulele concert (parents welcome)

April

Fri 8th - End of Term 4. Dress down. Mon 25th - INSET DAY Tues 26th Start of Term 5

May

Mon 2nd May – Bank holiday Mon 9th - Thurs 12th - Y6 SATS

CCJ Friends Sponsor Forms

WOW! Many of our children have been sending in their sponsorship forms with money raised, some far exceeding the £16 challenge. A huge well done to everyone who is participating. We love seeing the different ways that everyone has decided to do to raise the money, so keep emailing them in!

Thank you to.....

Theo made a bookmark for all the family with their name in Greek and sold them for £1 each. He made £22 - Well done!



Over the half term break Fin O'Driscoll in 3DK completed his first ever 5k run by running the Parkrun Course at Pomphrey Hill. We are really proud of him and he has raised £68.75. Here is a photo of him finishing...



Jacob and Oliver Greaves have raised over £100 by doing a sponsored 5K parkrun. Great effort boys!



All money raised will go toward the new clamber stack which is being installed at the end of this term, so that the current year 6 can enjoy it! Please help us with the final amount left to raise.

If you would like to share your achievement in our newsletter, please let us know via that school email! Christchurchjuniors@sgmail.org.uk

All forms/money need to be in by 6th April.

















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Welcome to CCJ!

This term we have three new staff members joining our ever-growing CCJ staff team.

This week we would like to welcome Miss Baird who is a Teacher and will be covering classes throughout the whole school and Ms Westbury, a Teaching Assistant, based in Upper Band. Next week we have Mrs Lockwood joining us in the mornings as a Reading Assistant.

If you see them around school, please do say hello and make them feel welcome! ©

World Book Day at CCJ

What an array of costumes we had here at CCJ yesterday for world book day! It was brilliant to see the effort children (and staff!) had gone to, to look like their favourite book characters! We had all sorts of characters ranging from Matlilda, Wally, Gangster Granny, Queen of Hearts, Harry Potter and lots more! Even Mrs Osborne got in on the action!!



Barton Camp

Barton Camp is fast approaching and the children are getting excited! We have had some parents ask about what food the children will be eating. We have contacted the caterers and they have advised us of this example menu and will be confirming next week what the children will be served.

EXAMPLE MENU

All our food is locally produced and homemade so please note that this menu is a guide and that it is subject to change. Eating new foods is part of the residential experience and we encourage everyone to try new foods wherever possible.

Squash and water are available at all meals. Tea and coffee making facilities available for students and staff.

All dietary requirements and allergies can be catered for. Please inform us whether your child has any dietary requirements, allergies or are vegetarians upon signing up to the trip.

Breakfast

Your school will choose continental breakfast or continental and cooked breakfast

Continental: Cereals, toast & jams, croissants or brioche, yoghurt, fruit and fruit juice. Cooked: bacon, sausage, fried egg, hash browns and beans.

Filled Roll, crisps, flapjack, biscuits and fruit.

Example Evening Meal

Tomato pasta bake, toppings and sweetcorn. Chicken fajitas, wraps, rice and peas. Beef Lasagna, wedges and broccoli.

Sausages, cheesy mashed potato and beans.

Jacket potato and toppings will be available at every meal as an alternative.

Example Puddings

Cupcakes, traybakes, ice cream, ice Iollies, sugar doughnut

COVID

As you are aware the government have relaxed rules around Covid and isolation. However, Covid is still around and therefore if your child tests positive for COVID they **must** still isolate to protect others, as per guidance. If they come to school and have symptoms we will still be sending them home.

Congratulations!

We are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Miss Rendall's beautiful daughter, Darcey Rae. We would like to wish Miss Rendall and her partner Darren a huge congratulations on their new addition and we look forward to meeting her soon!



A message from Miss Rendall:

Hello Falcon Class and Parents,

Thank you very much for such wonderful individual presents and the beautiful hamper that you gifted me before little Darcey arrived. You have shown such kindness and I am really grateful for your generosity. It was a joy to read your lovely messages.

I hope you all had a lovely half term and I hope to be in with the baby to see you all soon!

Take care.

Miss Rendall

















