Friday 1st April 2022 – N°26 **CCJ Newsletter**



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Clamber Stack Update

Despite my April Fool's joke to the school that they had used the wrong type of wood and needed to start again, the clamber stack structure is in fact now finished! However, this is only half of the work needed and so the second half starts on Tuesday and involves the rubber safety surface being installed underneath. This process will take a couple of days and then also needs time to completely set ready for some intense use from Term 5. Mrs Bryan, who leads our school council, will be working with the school councillors next week to explore the clamber stack and then to decide what rules are needed to make sure that we keep everyone safe when they use the clamber stack. They will create the rules and then share them with their classes.

The gates are coming along nicely too and are due to be finished on Tuesday. We are really glad that they are going to be electric as it just adds another layer of safety and security to the school grounds ensuring that your children remain safe. Once they are operational, the default will be that they are closed except at drop off and collection. You just need to press the intercom button to speak to the office team, who will be able to let you in. Thank you to our governors for enabling the fencing upgrades to proceed over the last 4 years!

Mrs Osborne

Clamber Stack Stay & Play

This week the clamber stack has been installed!! We know that the children are desperate to get on it, however it needs next week to get the safety surface. To celebrate the opening, the CCJ Friends are having a 'Stay & Play' after school on Friday 29th April – all are welcome!



Mobile Phones

We would like to remind you that children's mobile phones should be turned off when entering the school grounds and not turned back on until they leave at the end of the day. They are NOT to be used in the playground before or after school. We would be grateful if you could remind your children of this if they bring a mobile phone to school for everyone's safety.

Year 6 Secondary Schools

We are starting to get information from the secondary schools regarding school transition days. We will let you know these once we have the information.

If you your child accepts a different school to the one they were offered in round one, please let us know ASAP so that we can update our records and ensure that your child's records are sent to the correct school.

Kitchen News

With effect from term 5, the kitchen will be offering the following options alongside the normal hot dinner, and jacket potato. Also from next term the full salad bar will be back on offer.

Mondays & Wednesdays – Tortilla Wraps with Cheese or Tuna Mayo Tuesdays & Thursdays – Baguettes with Ham or Cheese As usual, you will able to book these via ParentPay.

Magic Tricks

Do you have any magic tricks that we could have or borrow? We would be very grateful if we could use them for the interest group day at the end of term.











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CCJ Football

Wow! There have been some great games this week and last by our CCJ football teams.

Last week, our girls team played Barrs Court and won

2–0. This week, both our girls and boys teams played

against Longwell Green. Despite playing during a

random snow shower, both teams won! The girls'

game ended 4-1 and the boys' finished 5-2. Well done to all who took part. Both teams showed

excellent teamwork and really did CCJ proud.

Next Link Easter Appeal

Every year one of our lovely parents Mehala Osborne, Mkhai's mum, organises a Christmas and Easter appeal for Next Link. They are the charity that run the domestic abuse services across Bristol, South Glos and North Somerset. She is asking for donations of Easter eggs to go to families living in refuges across the region and in the community who are experiencing domestic abuse. Next Link have around 200 families in safe houses across the regions and hundreds more they support throughout the community. If you would like to and are able to donate an egg, please bring it into school and we can pass it on to her for the appeal. If you would like to know more about the charity, their website is https://nextlinkhousing.co.uk/

CCJ dates for your diary

April

Tues 5th – Y5 Easter Experience trip (at the church) Wed 6th – 9:45am Ukulele concert at CCJ (Y4 parents/carers welcome) Fri 8th – Interest Group Day Fri 8th – Year 5 Cancer Research cake sale Fri 8th – End of Term 4/dress down. Mon 25th – INSET DAY Tues 26th Start of Term 5 Fri 28th – CCJ Friends Clamber Stack Stay & Play

May

Mon 2nd May – Bank holiday

Wed 4th – Class & Y6 photos Mon 9th – Thurs 12th – Y6 SATS Thurs 19th – Y5 Art of Brilliance Trip Mon 23rd – Wed 25th – Y6 Deanfield Residential Thurs 26th & Fri 27th – Y6 Activity Days Fri 27th – End of Term 5

> June Mon 6th – Start of Term 5 Fri 24th – INSET DAY

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If there are cakes left over, then these will be sold in the playground after school. Please support them by bringing in cakes to sell and sending your child in with some money to buy the goodies on offer. They have even created their own logo for the event!

Year 4 Ukulele Concert

Our year 4s have been working extremely hard learning how to play the ukulele this term. They will be performing in a concert to parents/carers on Wednesday 6th April at 9:45am in the school hall. Due to the size of the hall, numbers will be limited to 2 parents/carers per child.



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Updated Covid Government Guidance

The government have now released their latest guidance on isolation in the event of testing positive for COVID. Thank you for continuing to be vigilant and reporting any positive tests to us. I have copied the text from the government guidance for you to read, along with the link for the whole document if you wish to read it: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19

Essentially, if you get a positive result then children isolate for three days from the day after the test. Adults isolate for 5 days from the day after the test. They have also relaxed the need to stay completely housebound, therefore families where an adult has tested positive may walk a child to school wearing a mask. Equally, you are welcome to continue to drive to the school and we can collect them from the car. The guidance says you no longer need to retest and wait for a negative result.

This week at CCJ....



















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