

Sunshine and fresh beginnings

It has been so wonderful to welcome the year 2s and their parents to a variety of transition visits and the welcome to CCJ meeting. It is always a very exciting, busy time of year as everyone starts to look ahead to the new chapters of their educational journey. At the other end of the school, we are starting to see our year 6 children visit their new secondary schools and become so excited about the transition to year 7. As the term is so busy with so many visits and activities happening, please can we ask that parents remember to email the office (christchurchjuniors@sgmail.org.uk) if there are any times that your child will not be in school due to a transition event or appointment, so we are confident that every child is safe.

We are really enjoying the lovely weather, but it can become incredibly warm so please do remember to apply sun cream to your children every morning, send them in with a sun hat that is named and a named water bottle. On the really hot days, it can be a good idea to place a water bottle in the freezer the night before so that it stays cool all day and acts as a giant ice cube! Teachers are also doing all they can to keep the classrooms cool, keep all the windows and doors open and plan for extra time in the forest school where possible as it is so calm and cool out there. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Osborne

Online Safety

Each week for the next few weeks, we will be attaching an e-safety guide for parents about some of the common apps, games and websites that children are using. **This week: group chats.** Please do have a look and talk to your children. Children are most likely to be honest and open about when something goes wrong in their online lives if they have had regular conversations with trusted adults beforehand.

Year 2 Information

We really enjoyed meeting many of the year 2 families at the welcome event yesterday. If you were not able to make it, then we will be giving CCI your named information pack which includes key information, forms and a print out of the PowerPoint slides that we briefly went through at the parent meeting.

We will be holding another parent meeting at 6pm on Wednesday 7th September for parents and carers of children in year 3. This will take place a little later than yesterday's meeting and will be aimed at adults only.

Please email christchurchjuniors@sgmail.org.uk if you have any queries in the meantime.

Take 10

Each week, Mrs Eatwell will be sharing some tips, strategies or advice about how to support children with their wellbeing.

Did you know that reading out loud to your children can increase their attention span and improve their vocabulary?

Start off with a reading time of 10 minutes, then slowly, over time increase that time to 15 minutes, then 20 minutes. Before your children realises, they have been sat still listening to you read for a full 30 minutes!! This increase in attention can be easily transferred into other things they do.

Spending that 10 minutes a day reading out loud to your child can make a BIG difference to the rest of their lives.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Eatwell





MAD Olympiad

Excitingly, some of our children have been invited to attend MAD Olympiad at Pomphrey Hill on the afternoon of the 23rd June. You will already have been emailed if your child is taking part. Please see the letter for more details and use the link to give permission. They may come to school that morning in their sports kit as there will not be an opportunity to get changed during the school day. Please contact Mr Kennedy if you have any questions. Thank you

We Will Rock You!

The dates for the Year 6 performances of 'We Will Rock You' are:

Tuesday 12th July – 1:45pm

Tuesday 12th July – 6pm

Wednesday 13th July – 6pm

Tickets will be limited to two per family to ensure numbers in the hall do not exceed health and safety regulations.

Tickets will be available via ParentPay.
More information will follow next week.

Governor Vacancy

We have a couple of our long-standing governors whose four-year terms are ending in the next few months. We are therefore really keen to hear from parents, carers or members of our wider community who may be interested in joining our governing body. We have a great working partnership and governors have oversight of the strategic direction and decisions for the school.

We would welcome expressions of interest, especially from our year 2, 3 and 4 parents, who are not represented as much at present. To find out more please email our clerk, Frances McMillan, on fmcmmillan@hotmail.com.

CCJ School Uniform Reminder

Every child is expected to wear routinely to school unless there is an agreed non-uniform or themed day/event. Although the colours stated are important, there is no expectation that all tops must have the school logo on them.

Boys: Grey/black shorts or trousers, light blue or navy shirt/polo shirt, navy sweater/sweatshirt (or school hoodie), grey, white, black or dark blue socks and plain black shoes (no logo or colour).

Girls: Grey/black shorts or trousers, skirt, blue/white print dress or grey pinafore dress, white, light blue or navy blouse/polo shirt, navy cardigan/sweater/sweatshirt (or school hoodie), plain grey, white, black or dark blue tights/socks. Plain black shoes or white, blue or black sandals during the summer (no logo or other colour).

PE kits should be worn to school on your child's PE days. All children wear a light blue t-shirt (CCJ logo or plain) with navy or black shorts, or tracksuit bottoms. For colder weather a navy jumper/sweatshirt/hoodie is needed. Trainers should be plain (not fluorescent) and need to be a change of shoes from their normal school shoes.

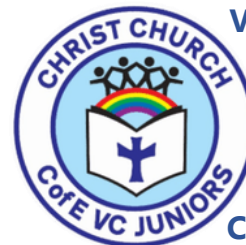
You can purchase CCJ school uniform from both [Unicorn](#) and [My Clothing](#) and non-logo uniform can be purchased from a number of high street stores and supermarkets.

If your child receives Free School Meals, we will be in touch with you soon regarding a uniform order for next term. If you think you may be eligible, please check by going to this link:

www.southglos.gov.uk/schoolmeals

Year 5 Drumming Concert

Year 5 have been busy learning the drums this term and are excited to show off their new skills! **There will be a Drumming Concert on Thurs 7th July at 10:45.** Year 5 parents/carers are welcome to come and watch. We expect it to last about half an hour.



INSET DAY

FRIDAY 24th JUNE!!



Children's University Graduation

We will be holding a special ceremony in school to celebrate many of our children taking part in the Children's University. If your child is part of this, you would have received an email with all the information. This will be taking place at 10am on Tuesday 28th June, in the school hall. Spaces are limited to two adults per family of the children taking part. To request a place, please email the school email address.

Children taking part are invited to create their own graduation cap (mortar board). We have resources for this in school if needed – please ask your child to pop to lunch club at lunchtime to create one with Mrs Pollock next week!

CCJ dates for your diary

June

Thurs 23rd MAD Olympiad (by invite)

Fri 24th – INSET DAY

Tues 28th – 10am Children's University graduation (for families of graduates only)

Thurs 30th – New classes announced

July

Fri 1st – Move Up Day (meet new teacher)

Mon 4th – Y6 Explorer Dome in school

Tues/Weds 5th/6th – Y5/6 Minecraft workshops

Thurs 7th – Y5 drumming concert 10.45am

Tues/Weds 12/13th Year 6 production

Fri 15th – Reports home to parents

Mon 18th – Leavers' Service at 10am at Christ Church (parents warmly invited)

Thurs 21st – Last day of term 6

"As for me, I will always have hope; I will praise You more and more."

– PSALM 71:14

Parade

Term Dates 2022/2023

Term 1

Thursday 01 September 22 - Friday 21 October 22

Inset Days: Thursday 01 Sept & Friday 02 Sept 22

Term 2

Monday 31 October 2022 - Friday 16 December 22

Inset Day: Monday 3rd Oct 22

Term 3

Tuesday 03 January 23 - Friday 10 February 23

Inset Day: Tuesday 3rd Jan 23

Term 4

Monday 20 February 23 - Friday 31 March 23

Term 5

Monday 17 April 23 - Friday 26 May 23

Term 6

Monday 05 June 23 - Friday 21 July 23

Inset Day: Friday 30th June 2023

Year 6 Dates

June

22nd June – St Mary Redcliffe Parents Info Evening

29th/30th (TBC) – St Mary Redcliffe Transition Day

July

Fri 1st – Downend Transition Day

Fri 1st – Mangotsfield Transition Day

Wed 6th – Winterbourne Transition Day #2

Mon 18th – Y6 Leavers' Service at Christ Church 10am

Thurs 21st – Leavers' Event (after school)