

Welcome Back!

A huge welcome to our year 3 families and welcome back to year 4, 5 and 6 families. I am overwhelmed by how brilliantly the whole school have restarted term and settled back into school, although there are a lot of tired faces at the end of the first full week! We are also delighted to welcome our new staff to the CCJ team and we know they are going to fit in so well. The major work of replacing all the old strip lighting across the whole school to LED lighting has been completed and it is incredible what a difference it makes. In a couple of weeks we will also have the new benches installed in our forest school area which will make it more accessible and useful now that our classes use it every week.

Thank you to our year 3 and 5 parents for joining us for the Barton Camp Y5 meeting and Welcome to Y3 meetings; the PowerPoint presentations from both will be coming home today. We have several exciting events happening early on this year, with all Y3 and some of Y4, 5 and 6 attending MAD Olympiad on Sept 23rd; the Stone age forest school experience this week or next for each LB class; Barton camp for Y5 on Oct 13-15th; and the Harvest service back at Christ Church on Oct 7th. We will be running parents' information events for both Y4 and Y6 soon as both year groups will also be going on camps later this year. We have also decided to hold all parents evenings early on this term so teachers can let you know how your child has settled and to answer any questions you may have. These will be week beginning 20th Sept for Y3/4 and week beginning 27th Sept for Y5/6. Details will follow soon about each of these events, so please make sure you're logged on to Arbor, so you can receive messages. Finally, to celebrate our 180th anniversary this year, we have invited mosaic artist David Bowers to work with children across the school to design and make a giant sun dial for the playground – it is going to be beautiful! Have a lovely weekend. *Mrs Osborne*

Attendance/Absence Request/Sickness

Please report all sickness or absence to the school by either phoning 01454 866516 or emailing christchurchjuniors@gmail.org.uk (NOT to Mrs Osborne as it needs to be recorded on their file).

Absence request forms need to be completed for any exams, appointments etc with advanced notice and evidence. Following government regulations, term-time holiday will be recorded as unauthorised absence and may result in a fixed penalty notice from the local authority.

Uniform Reminder

Thank you for dressing all the children so smartly for the start of term. Please remember that shoes must be all black and socks should be plain blue, black, grey or white. Please also avoid hair accessories in bright colours - these should also be blue, black or white. CCJ pale blue PE t-shirts and black shorts must be worn to do PE. Thank you for your continued support with this. To order uniform click on the links below.

www.unicornworkwear.net

<https://myclothing.com/christ-church-c-of-e-vc-junior-school/11329.school>

Class teachers and cover teachers

Class	Class Teacher	Cover Teacher(s)
Starlings	Mr Kennedy	Mr Green and Mrs Mathieson
Swallows	Mrs Knott	Mr Green and Mrs Mathieson
Woodpeckers	Mr Debley	Mrs Payne
Robins	Miss Dockree	Mr Green and Mrs Payne
Wagtails	Miss Wallbridge	Mr Green and Mrs Payne

Class	Class Teacher	Cover Teacher(s)
Puffins	Mrs Groves and Miss Connor	Mrs Mathieson
Jays	Miss Rudd	Mr Desmond and Mrs Mathieson
Kingfishers	Miss Thackeray	Mr Desmond and Mrs Bryan
Falcons	Miss Rendall	Mr Desmond
Kestrels	Miss Love	Mrs Bryan



Parking around school

Unfortunately, it has been brought to our attention again that some parents/carers are not being respectful when parking around school at pick up and drop off times. Please ensure that driveways are not blocked, that you do not park in private car parks and that you do not obstruct the view of oncoming traffic.

Try to arrive in plenty of time to find a safe place to park slightly further away from the school. We want to keep our school community safe and be respectful to the surrounding residents. Thank you for your cooperation with this as it helps us to keep positive relations with our neighbours.

Welcome to CCJ!

This year we are delighted to welcome several new staff to CCJ. We have gained extra Teaching Assistants in the Lower Band: Miss Bennett, Mrs Eatwell, Mrs Chapman, Mrs Hall, Mrs Wesley and Mrs Crozier. If you see them around school, please do say hello and make them feel welcome! Over the next few newsletters, we will be learning a bit about them! See page three for the first ones! ☺

Medical conditions

We need to update our health care plans annually for **all children who have a medical condition (e.g. allergies) or children who need medication (e.g. inhalers)**. It is vital that we have the most up-to-date information to keep your child safe (even if you did this last year). Please speak to the school office ASAP.

Year 5 Barton Camp

A reminder that Barton Camp payments are due, please can you assist us by paying promptly on the Parent Pay system.

If you are having problems with payment please contact Mrs Osborne immediately.

Year 4 Barton Camp

We are excited to tell you that Year 4 will be going to Barton Camp this year!

Wed 16th – Fri 18th March 2022.

More information will follow.

Word Wizards!

Each week in our classes, we are learning about a word that can be used across a range of different contexts and changed with prefixes (e.g. discover) and suffixes (e.g. covering), to broaden and deepen our understanding of vocabulary. If we see, say, write or hear any words in the word's word family in class, we are a 'word wizard' and earn a house point! Can you look out for this week's words outside of school as well?

This week's words:

Lower Band: **sequence**

Upper Band: **nature**



CCJ dates for your diary

September

W/b 20th – Y3/4 Parent evenings (on Zoom)

W/b 27th – Y5/6 Parent evenings (on Zoom)

Thurs 23rd AM – Year 3 MAD Olympiad (all year 3s)

Thurs 23rd PM – Year 4/5/6 MAD Olympiad (not all children)

October

Tues 5th – NHS Flu Vaccines

Thurs 7th – Harvest Service at Christ Church

Wed 13th – Fri 15th – Year 5 Barton Camp

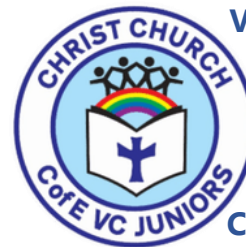
Fri 22nd – END OF TERM

November

Mon 1st – INSET DAY

Tues 2nd – Back to School

Tues 23rd /Wed 24th – Year 6 Lifeskills



Hello, I am Mrs Eatwell and I have just joined CCJ as a teaching assistant. I will be working mostly in Lower Band but I will also be in Upper Band a few afternoons a week. Please give me a wave if you see me! I love to help and inspire children creatively so they can be the best they can. With my creative flare, I enjoy making resources to aid children with their learning. When I am not in school, I like spending time with my family. I have 3 children and we love going to the beach on our paddle board at the weekend. We also love family bike rides and doing anything arty and creative 😊



Hi everyone! I am Mrs Gemma Wesley and I am joining CCJ to be a 1:1 teaching assistant in Starling class and also a lunchbreak supervisor. I have come over from CCI, so know a few of the children but I am enjoying meeting and getting to know the rest of the children in school. I have worked with children for about 12 years now and have enjoyed every second. I have a daughter in year 4 and my spare time is spent with her and my husband making lots of lovely family memories.



Arbor

Please log in to your Arbor account and ensure that all contact details are up to date. Can you also ensure that all the permissions have been accepted or declined. This is extremely important if you wish your child to walk home by themselves. Photo permissions need to be actioned on the app to allow us to use photos of your child on the newsletter and our Twitter page.

If you are having any problems with Arbor, please contact the school office, so we can help.

Year 3 MAD Olympiad

We are very excited to say that after being cancelled in June, Mad Olympiad (athletics and track competition) is now going ahead on the morning of Thursday 23rd September! The whole of Year 3 will be invited to take part. We would just ask for a contribution toward the cost of the coach. This can be paid via Parent Pay.

Years 4, 5 and 6 MAD Olympiad

Some of our year 4, 5 and 6 children have been invited to attend MAD Olympiad on the afternoon of the 23rd September. 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.

Please contact Mr Kennedy if you have any questions.

Bikes/Scooters

If your child is bringing a scooter or bike into school, please ensure that these are WALKED onto the premises and not ridden. There are a lot of people on the school site at drop off and collections and we do not want anyone to get hurt.

Thank you!

Individual Photos



Individual school photos will take place on Friday 22nd October. Sibling photos will start at 8:30am. Please make sure that children are ready with their hair brushed and clean shirts! Photos will be on sale shortly after.

Lifeskills

After not being able to attend for the past couple of years, we are pleased to say that Year 6 will be able to visit The Life Skills centre this year.

This will be happening on 23rd & 24th November. More details will follow.