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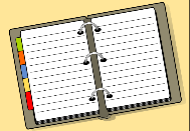
Welcome back to term 4

We are looking forward to an exciting but short term as we only have five weeks before we break up for Easter. E-safety was explored across the school this week and we have World Book day and Fairtrade day both next Thursday. Y6 will also be applying for their Blue Peter badges and preparing for PGL camp in March so there is lots going on.

This term the value being explored during collective worship is Hope. This week we spoke about the role that friends have in supporting us to achieve our hopes and keeping us going.

Mrs Osborne

Diary Dates



February

Friday 23rd - Quiz Night

March

Thursday 1st - World Book Day (Dress up)

Thursday 1st - PGL Final Balance Due

Thursday 1st – Fairtrade Day

Wednesday 7th - Friends Film Night

Wednesday 7th - Parents Math Workshop

Thursday 8th - Parents Evening 1

Tuesday 13th - Parents Evening 2

Thursday 15th - 4GE Class Assembly

Friday 16th – Friends Easter Egg Hunt

Monday 19th - Friday 23rd Y6 PGL

Wednesday 21st – 3DK class assembly

Friday 23rd - End of Term 4 / Sports Relief

April

Monday 9th - Inset Day

Tuesday 10th – Start of Term 5

Safer Internet Day 2018

This week we held our Safer Internet afternoon.

Children in year 3 and 4 took part in lots of fun activities about how to be 'smart' online.

In the Upper Band, the children explored issues including how to be respectful online,



how to recognise cyber-bullying and how to avoid intentionally sharing personal information. Look out for the free guide from the NSPCC about how to keep children safe online, which children in years 5 and 6 will be bringing home today. For parents of year 3 and 4 children, if you'd like to talk to your child about the SMART rules, please visit www.kidsmart.org.uk for more information.

Don't forget CCJ has its very own e-safety page on our website with lots of useful links and resources as well as an e-safety reporting form if you have any concerns and would like further support.

Child Absence

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please ensure that you call the school office by 9am. It is a legal requirement that for *each day* your child is unwell, the school must receive a daily phone call.

A text message will go out to parents who have not informed the school office of an absence as a prompt to call.

Parents Evening

Parents evenings are being held on Thursday 8th March and Tuesday 13th March. You can now book an appointment through Teacher to Parents. Please contact the office if you have any problems booking online.

Attendance

Thank you for your continued support with the attendance of the children.



Red = Below 92%

Amber = 92-96%

Green = 97+%

Well done to 4GE who achieved a brilliant 98.6%!

Fairtrade Day

Children at CCJ will be learning all about what Fairtrade means during Fairtrade fortnight which starts on Monday. This will include a presentation to the whole school followed by workshops in each class from a Fairtrade farmer who will be visiting us and other local schools. She will be with us on Thursday and will spend time in every class. We can support these farmers by buying Fairtrade snacks or joining their 'Thunderclap' on Twitter or Facebook. You can find out more at www.fairtrade.org.uk



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House Cup

The house with the most house points this week is Team Pegasus. Team Griffin are still at the top of the leader board. Well done!



Parents Maths Workshop

Parents' Maths Workshops will be taking place on Wednesday 7th March from 3:40 - 4:40. Teachers will be leading sessions on Fractions, Decimals and Percentages; Multiplication and Division; Times Tables; Problem Solving through Bar Modelling; and Manipulatives & Reasoning. Each workshop will last 20 minutes and be repeated 3 times so you can choose the topics that would be most helpful for you and your child. Please do come along and learn a bit more about how we teach Maths in school and get some new ideas of ways to support your child's learning at home. We look forward to seeing you there.

Friends of Christ Church Juniors

Diary Dates

February

Friday 23rd - Quiz Night

March

Wednesday 7th – Film Night

Thursday 8th - Mother's Day Presents

Friday 16th – Easter Egg Hunt

April

Friday 20th – Bingo

Saturday 28th - Table Top Sale

June

Friday 22nd – Barn Dance

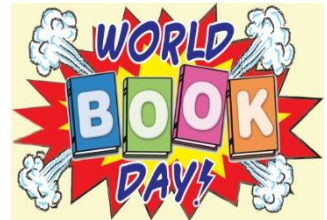
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Thursday 5th – Circus



World Book Day – Thursday 1st March

Children are welcome to come to school dressed up as a book character and to bring along their favourite book. Please can we ask that any face paint and hairspray is applied at home and not in school due to allergies. Please note that donations are not required



Behaviour Change of Policy

We have worked with staff and Governors to tweak and aspect of the behaviour policy. From half term, children who reach orange or red on the behaviour chart will now have a full sanction the next day. This is then in-line with those who talk in assembly and receive a sanction. The full behaviour policy can be found on the school website.

£10 Notes

The old £10 notes will be out of circulation from 1st March, therefore we are now unable to accept them. We apologise for any inconvenience, however banks will still be accepting them for a short time after this date.



Year 6 - PGL Information Meeting

Thank you to everyone that attended the PGL information evening. The PowerPoint is now on the website. Should you have any queries, please see one of the year 6 team who will be able to help answer your queries.

Year 6 Girls Football

The Year 6 girls football team played a match against Cadbury Heath at the end of last term and won 9-0! They played fantastically well, working brilliantly as a team and all showing a great sporting attitude. Well done girls!



Lower Band Volunteer Readers

Lower Band are looking for volunteers to listen to the children read. By doing this, it not only frees up the Teachers and TAs time but also by reading with different people this improves the children's confidence. If there are any parents, carers, grandparents, aunties, uncles that have some free time and would like to do this, please contact Mr Desmond or the school office.

Super Marathon Runner!

Nik Whiteside, is running the gruelling Marathon des Sables in April for 6 days through 150 miles of the Sahara desert to raise money to share equally between the Infant and Junior schools. We are so grateful to him for taking on this challenge. If you would like to sponsor him the Just Giving link can be found below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/nikrunsmdsforchristchurchschools>