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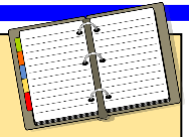


Snow Days 2018

What an exciting couple of weeks - it's been lovely hearing all the children's stories of snow man building, snowball fights and sledging with you all. I just want to thank all our families for your flexibility and understanding last Thursday and Friday when we had to close the site for everyone's safety. Thank you too for the incredible World Book Day costumes on Thursday - it was a brilliant effort from all. We were also delighted to welcome our Niguagrian Fairtrade Farmer Urania who spoke to everyone about her life as a Fairtrade Farmer.

Mrs Osborne

Diary Dates



March

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
Wednesday 18th - Bikeability

IMPORTANT PLEASE READ - PARENT LOGIN PAGE CHANGE
Wed 14 Feb 2018

You may have noticed that we have made a change to our SchoolMoney website. Now when parents go to www.schoolmoney.co.uk they will be redirected to the new eduspot website.

To sign in, all parents need to do is select the Sign In button in the top right hand corner of the screen. A list will drop down and they need to select the SchoolMoney Parent Login option at the bottom. This will then send them to the parent login screen as normal.

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.

Bikeability

Due to Year 6 being on PGL on 21st March they will do a double session on Wednesday 14th March.

Bikeability for Term 5 will start on Wednesday 18th April. Pupils who have been selected to carry out the course will be notified via email. There will also be 2 reserve places each week, in which the reserve pupils will be asked to have their bikes in school on those Wednesdays.

Please note that should your child miss one session for whatever reason, they will be unable to continue with the rest of the course.

HOPE
will open your eyes
to the glories
Heavenly Father
has in store for you

-Dieter F. Uchtdorf-



Attendance

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



Red = Below 92%

Amber = 92-96%

Green = 97+%

Well done to 3SG who achieved a fantastic 99.6%!

Thank you!

A big thank you to Mark Spurring and Karen Marshall for braving the wintery elements last week to ensure that the paths were gritted and we were all able to get in and out of school safely. Also a thank you to the SMSAs who have made sure that the pupils were safe in the snow.





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House Cup

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



INSET Day Changes

Our Infant school have received some very exciting news that they are receiving some funding from the LA to do some vital roof and pipe work repairs over the summer. To accomplish this, they need to close early at the end of term to pack up the school which we cannot do without a similar reason. They will also need two days in September to set it up again so we have jointly decided to move the June Inset day to September, so our families have the same Inset days. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Friends of Christ Church Juniors

Diary Dates

March

Wednesday 7th – Film Night

Thursday 8th - Mother's Day Presents

Friday 16th – Easter Egg Hunt

April

Friday 20th – Bingo

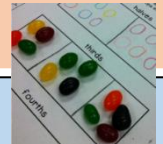
Saturday 28th - Table Top Sale

June

Friday 22nd – Barn Dance

July

Thursday 5th – Circus



Parents Maths Workshop

Many thanks to the families who came to our Maths Workshops on Wednesday afternoon. We had some really great sessions on different areas of the Key Stage 2 curriculum and hope everyone took home some new ideas of how they can help their children at home.

Visit <http://www.christchurchjuniors.co.uk/curriculum/maths-ccj> to see the teachers' presentations and look out for dates in the summer term when we will try to repeat the workshops so that more families can benefit.

Parents Evenings

Thank you to all the many families who came for parent's evenings on Thursday and we look forward to welcoming everyone else on Tuesday. It's important that we see every family, so please arrange an alternative meeting with your child's class teacher if you have not been able to attend on these dates. Thank you too to the Friends for offering teas and coffees - we really appreciate it!

£10 Notes

The old £10 notes are now out of circulation. 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.



Premier Sports Easter Holiday Clubs

Information is attached regarding Premier Sports for the Easter Holiday half term clubs. Please click on the link below to book a place for your child. <https://www.premier-education.com/>

Lego Club at Downend library

Once a month on a Saturday join us for a special science session, watch some experiments before getting stuck in to some Lego building fun! Saturday 10 March, 11am-12 midday. It's a free session so no need to book! Following session Saturday 14 April



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.

CCJ & CCI Fundraising

As you are aware 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. To support the fundraising an assault course has also been organised which will be held at both Infants and Juniors during the last week of term. More details to follow.