# Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 – N°21





#### Our value this term: Generosity

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#### Well done Miss Hunt

Well done Miss Hunt, who was nominated for an outstanding apprentice award with City of Bristol College. We are so proud of all that you've achieved already!

#### Goodbye

This week we sadly say goodbye to Mrs Mierzejewska, who has been a TA and SMSA with us at CCJ. We wish you the best of luck!

## Home learning school partnership

Home learning is a fantastic way to ensure a strong home school partnership, but we also understand that home lives can be very different and time pressures and commitments can mean it is hard on certain weekends. This is why we never punish children for not doing it, but we very actively encourage home learning. With my own child in year 8, I can share that it is always a big step up to secondary and the expectation that homework is done most days. The more your child is in a habit of small regular chunks of home learning, the better prepared they will be for year 7.

Every child should have a reading book and be reading five times a week. They should also be doing learning through Doodle and Timestable rockstars. If your child has forgotten their log in then please do get in touch so that we can help. Finally, thank you again to all the UB families for the amazing natural disasters projects – they were incredible! *Mrs Osborne* 

## Well Done

Over the half term break some of our girls used their time to make and sell loom band bracelets. They raised a fantastic £35 which they have kindly donated to CCJ. Thank you to Grace from Jays, Indie from Kingfishers and Beth from Swallows. We are very grateful for the donation towards creating the new Sky room!

## Weekly Celebration Certificate



Each week, one pupil from each class is awarded a celebration certificate for going above and beyond. This week's winners are:

Starlings	Logan
Swallows	Ethan S
Woodpeckers	Cece
Robins	Darcey
Wagtails	Marley
Jays	Alístaír
Puffins	Bobby
Kingfishers	Karolína
Kestrels	Talí
Falcons	Grace

## **Uniform Reminder**

This week we have noticed a number of children wearing black crocs to school. These are not suitable for day-to-day school life as they do not have enough grip for activities such as the daily mile and are also meaning that children get wet socks and feet when it is raining. Please make sure that your child wears plain black shoes (no logo or colour) on days where there is not PE.

We are also noticing a lot of football kits and similar heavily branded and colourful items on PE days. Children can wear their PE kit to school on their PE days but this should be 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).

#### **Jays Book Sale**

Jay Class will be running a second hand book sale on World Book Day (7th March). If you have any unwanted books at home they would very much appreciate any donations of books! Please bring them to Jay class any time until March 7<sup>th</sup>.

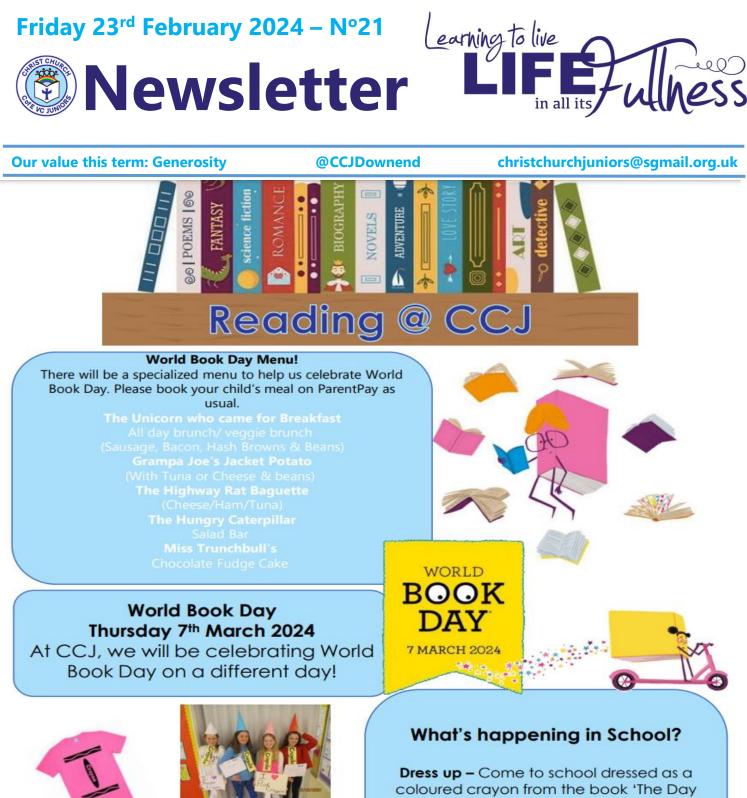






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the Crayons Quit'. The whole school will be looking and exploring this book together and creating a whole school picture. Your teacher will be deciding which colour your class needs to dress up as. We will let you know next week! Buy Books - everyone will get a voucher to spend at a book shop. Check out some of the books available below!

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## Take Ten Mindfulness & creativity



Creative activities can be fun for all the family, and sitting down together to create something can be a good bonding exercise,

stimulating conversation and encouraging sharing. Here is a simple idea to try. Take a clean jam jar, decorate it and fill it with things that will cheer you up and make you feel positive. They could be written affirmations, little toys, sparkly gems or smooth pebbles: anything that brings you joy and makes you feel calm.

Have a lovely weekend Mrs Eatwell

## CAKE SALE Friday 8th March, 3:20pm

Our lovely Wellbeing Bee's are raising money for new books to help our CCJ children deal with worries, feel better and boost their mood. We would love to buy

books recommended on the list at readingwell.org.uk/children. If you can support, please can you bring in cakes on the morning of the 8th March for our wellbeing bee's to sell. Thank you.



### **Medication in School**

Please remember that under NO circumstances should any child have any type of medication (Inhaler, tablet, cream, liquid, handwash etc) on them/in their bag at school.
All medication (Inhaler, tablet, cream, liquid, handwash etc) prescribed or non prescription must be brought to reception by an adult in its original packaging and all medication must have a completed care plan with it.

As you can appreciate this is a huge health and safety/safeguarding issue. The child may take the wrong dose or have an allergy to the medication etc or the medication etc could go missing and another child could find it. If you ever have any questions regarding medication or completing a care plan please do not hesitate to contact us.

We appreciate your understanding regarding this important matter.

## Thank You!

We would like to say a big thank you to Mollie from Falcon Class and her family. Mollie has very kindly donated some fantastic books to our library! Thank you for your donation, we are very grateful!

We would also like to say a big thank you to Mara from Swallow Class and her family for the generous donation of War Hammer kits. The children have already started to uses these in our War Hammer club! Thank you!

## Year 6 Deanfield/SATs information

Thank you for joining us if you could. The powerpoint has been emailed and packs sent out.

## CCJ dates for your diary ....

#### March

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> – St George's Concert (Y5) Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> – World Book Day Fri 8<sup>th</sup> – Wellbeing Bees Cake Sale, 3:20pm Mon 11<sup>th</sup> – Roman Trip *(Woodpecker, Swallows & Starling)* Tues 12<sup>th</sup> – Cross Country Festival Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> – Roman Trip *(Robins & Wagtails)* Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> – Shepton Mallet Prison Trip (Y5) Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Easter Service

### Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> – INSET DAY

Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> – End of Term 4

April Mon 15<sup>th</sup> – Start of Term 5

**INSET Days 2024/2025** 

INSET days for 2024/2025 have now been agreed. These are also in line with Christ Church Infant School.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 Friday 25th October 2024 Friday 31st January 2025 Monday 24th February 2025 Friday 20th June 2025







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