



Our Vision is to be a...

**Caring Community,
Courageously Learning,
Inspired to Live Life to the Full.**



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Jesus said, "I have come that you may have life and have it to the full." | (John 10:10)

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Dates for your Diary - Term 1 & 2 Dates

TERM TWO

- 21st Nov – Individual & Sibling photographs
- 26th Nov - 3.45-5.15pm KS1 Striking festival (8 Penguin ch needed), Governor Development Day
- 28th Nov – 9am Parent Council meeting, Lockdown drill
- 28th Nov & 3rd Dec Parent/Teacher meetings (3.30-6.30pm – booking invites to be sent out at the start of T2)
- 29th Nov- Friends Christmas Jumper/ Christmas Item sale (Donations needed of any Christmas items.)
- 30th Nov – Dance Mash up show
- 2nd Dec - 'Experience Christmas' at Christ Church for Y1s
- 5th Dec- Choir Christmas Performance (2.30pm)
- 9th Dec - 9am Penguin Nativity – parents invited
- 10th Dec - 9am Zebra Nativity – parents invited, Friends Christmas Wrap

- 11th Dec - 9am Cheetah Nativity – parents invited
- 12th Dec - 9am Crocodile Nativity – parents invited
- 13th Dec - 9am Giraffe Nativity – parents invited
- 17th Dec – Father Christmas visits during the school day (Friends event) Christmas Lunch
- 18th Dec – 9am EYFS singalong (all EYFS parents from Panda/Lion/Tiger invited to watch in the hall)
- 18th Dec - Christmas jumper day
- 18th Dec - Christmas Lunch
- 19th Dec – Y1 am trip to Theatre, hot chocolate awards for behaviour,
- 19th Dec - 2.30pm Rock Steady concert
- 20th Dec – Y2 am theatre trip, all children to wear non-uniform party clothes, Christmas Parties, **last day of term**

Weekly update from Anna Martin

Our EYFS children were lucky enough to have a performance from the Old Vic theatre school last Friday, who performed the story of 'Little Wren and the Autumn Moon'. We make sure every child gets to experience live theatre during their time at CCI and in EYFS this is welcoming the theatre in school so that the experience isn't too overwhelming. We were delighted that the cast of this production was so diverse as this provided wonderful role models for the children.



Huge thanks to the Friends for paying for this wonderful enrichment event and making it possible for all of our children to experience music and live theatre in our school hall.



Crocodile Class had a wonderful visit from Finley's mummy this week, who talked to them about her role as a Community District Nurse. This was linked to our enquiry in KS1 'What might I do in the future?' and Emma really inspired the children. Thank you so much Emma ❤️

Collective Worship

This week we learnt about anti-bullying as this week in November is anti-bullying week. We explained what bullying is, using some real-life examples and then shared the national message of showing respect to everyone.



On Tuesday we took part in Interfaith Day (see below) and on Wednesday we celebrated our amazing children for the compassion they are showing towards each other.

On Thursday the children explored noticing a need in others and how they can they show compassion to help meet that need.

On Friday they continued thinking about spirituality and how important it is to laugh. Laughing enhances intake of oxygen-rich air and increases endorphins that make you feel good.

Living the Values

Friendship



Bible Story: The Four Friends

In school

This week the children's award goes to Orlando who saw that another child was hurt and went out of his way to look after them and make sure they were ok.

There are two staff awards this week – one for Mrs Rylands who bought some lovely items for one of our families when she knew it would help and one for Miss Evans who has been bringing a child to school every day because her sister had an operation and couldn't leave the house. We have such amazing staff at CCI!

At home

Iris in Crocodiles – showing compassion to her dog by looking after it when it was scared by the fireworks.

Clara in Zebras – by showing compassion to others by giving away her glow sticks at the bonfire to families who didn't have them.

Mia in Lions – by helping her mummy to volunteer for her charity and never complaining.

Sophia in Pandas – helping her mummy to pick something up that she had dropped and for knowing that she was showing compassion.

Flynn in Pandas - by showing compassion to his sister when she was hurt on the way home by letting her ride on his scooter because she couldn't walk.

Isla C in Crocodiles – by looking after her friend Darcie when she was hurt and supporting her to walk and get help.

Interfaith Day



Y1 and 2 children took part in the Bristol Diocese Interfaith Day on Tuesday where they explored how people celebrate with light alongside members of religious and non-religious faith communities.

Safety and reminders around CCI

Parking on pavements – please make sure you do not park on any pavements around the school as parents and childminders are finding it difficult to pass with pushchairs.

Walking in the road – we had a near miss this with a car almost hitting a pedestrian as they were walking in the road along Christ Church Avenue. Please remember this is not a pedestrianised road and cars do pass along it and some staff need to drive into the carpark during drop-off times.

Hot Air Balloon Challenge Winners!

Cheetah Class are the third class this year to win the hot air balloon challenge for significantly improved behaviour in worship, lining up and a tidy cloakroom that they have worked so hard on.

Treat coming your way Cheetahs!



50 ways to live life to the full before you leave CCI

EYFS	KS1	
1. Watch an animal grow	19. Explore a forest (CCI)	35. Learn to be still and peaceful – in worship & RE
2. Listen to bird song	20. Make your own colour palate	36. Create some art using nature
3. Go cloud gazing	21. Make a home for a wild animal (linked to enquiry)	37. Perform a drama production (Nativity/Y2 Leavers Service)
4. Try food from another culture	22. Represent the school (MAD Olympiad) in a competition	38. Learn to build a fire and toast a marshmallow
5. Catch a falling leaf	23. Create a piece of art that expresses your emotions (Art Gallery at CCD)	39. Observe changes in life cycles
6. Make something out of recycling	24. Watch a live performance in a theatre (Christmas trip) - December	40. Hold a scary beast/bug
7. Prepare food for someone else (EYFS picnic)	25. Learn how to play a board game	41. Learn to do yoga
8. Learn some sign language/Makaton	26. Visit a library	42. Make a gratitude jar
9. Do a performance of singing for an audience	27. Fundraise for a charity (Kumi)	43. Do something kind for someone less fortunate than you
10. Build a den	28. Write a letter of thanks	44. Learn how to spell your name using BSL
11. Run around in the rain	29. Do something to help the planet (Respect)	45. Build a boat out of junk that floats – test it on the pool – RE enrichment
12. Travel by coach/bus - April	30. Visit a retirement home and bring joy to the residents	46. Learn to play a tune on an instrument (set of 30 ocarinas)
13. Bake bread	31. Make a birdfeeder	47. Learn how to say some words in another language
14. Plant it, grow it, eat it	32. Play in the snow (snow machine)	48. Try a new sport
15. Visit a farm and learn how to care for animals	33. Visit a place of worship – Harvest & termly worship	49. Explore something that makes you wonder about the world (Technique/Explorer dome/Jungle Jonathan)
16. Go on a barefoot walk and feel different textures	34. Learn about a festival from another culture	50. Give something up that you love for a week
17. Paint a portrait of yourself		
18. Observe something from nature and draw/paint it		

At CCI we want every child to be inspired to live life to the full so the staff created this document to make sure we are including the many things our children love to explore with some really meaningful spiritual experiences too. These may happen as part of the curriculum, as an extra-curricular event or as part of our 6 enrichment days throughout the year.



Stay and play after school

We love families to stay and socialise in the school grounds after school but do need families to leave the site when the bell rings at 3.45pm please.

The office is becoming very busy after school with children and younger siblings needing to use the toilets when they have stayed to play. We don't mind this at all but to help reduce interruptions, please make sure your child goes to the toilet before they leave the class at the end of the day if you know you are planning to stay and play. You can send them back in while the staff are still seeing their classes out if you think they haven't been. Younger siblings could also go just before you leave home so they don't need to go once at school.

Please can we also ask again that the school bikes and scooters are not being used after school as this can cause a hazard to people walking through the playground.

After school club bookings

If you make changes to your bookings for Oldbury Court out of school club please let the class teachers or office know as well as OCOSC. Sometimes OCOSC's lists have not been updated and teachers then don't know where children are meant to be, which can be unsettling for the children and worrying for staff until we find out. You can do this by emailing or calling the school.



EYFS	Y1	Y2
<p>Being an author: This week in our Bug Club Phonics we have learnt the sounds: <i>b, f, l, ck</i>. We call the 'ck' sound a digraph because it is made up of 2 letters than make one sound. In Drawing Club this week we have loved reading the story, Owl Babies. We learnt about the main characters in the story and drew an owl and labelled the features. At the end of the week we enjoyed an 'Adventure Time' where we wondered what other food Mummy Owl could bring back to her baby owls in the nest.</p>	<p>Being an author: This week we have been learning all about how to use the conjunction 'and' to join words and sentences together. We have been writing compound sentences all about the robot from our story 'The Bluebird and The Robot'. We have been working really hard on making sure we are using our best handwriting and 'whooshing in' when writing each letter.</p>	<p>Being an author: This week we have been learning about co-ordinating conjunctions (and, or, so, but) and have been using them to join sentences together, thinking about the Robot from the book 'The Robot and the Bluebird'. E.g. They tried to fix the poor robot but it wasn't any good. They couldn't fix the robot so they sent him to a scrap heap.</p>
<p>Extension challenge: Can you write a sentence to explain what Mummy Owl brought back using the words "Mum had..." remember to use a capital letter, finger space and full stop in your sentence.</p>	<p>Extension challenge: Our challenge this week has been to include a describing word in our writing, such as 'The rusty machines'.</p>	<p>Extension challenge: Can you use some contracted words that we learnt about last term? E.g. Didn't, wasn't, couldn't</p>
<p>Being a mathematician: We began the week by comparing numbers. We looked at two groups of objects and used mathematical language to describe the amounts e.g. fewer, more, least. We introduced the 10 frame format and explored the concept of 1 more and 1 less than a number to 5 using counters and the frame to model.</p>	<p>Being a mathematician: This week in Maths we have been learning how to add one- and two-digit numbers within 20 using a range of different resources. First we used tens frames to help us solve simple subtraction calculations and then we used a number line. When we were using a number line we had to work hard to make sure we were 'jumping' the correct way and starting on the correct number.</p>	<p>Being a mathematician: This week we have been looking at money, working on recognising different coins and notes in pounds and pence and combining coins to make amounts of money. E.g. 56p could be made by 20p+20p+10p+5p+1p. It could also be made by 50p+2p+2p+2p.</p>
<p>Extension challenge: Can you write a number sentence to match the 10 frame? E.g. $5 - 1 = 4$. Can you read your number sentence?</p>	<p>Extension challenge: Our challenge this week was to solve a simple word problem using the skills we had learnt. See an example below:</p> 	<p>Extension challenge: We have been reasoning with money. E.g. Can you make 56p only using silver coins? Why or why not?</p>
<p>Enquiry: 'What is Darkness?' We talked about the amazing night sky and linked our learning to experiences of Firework Night. We created our own firework art and pictures of the moon and stars. We talked together about the differences between day and night and sorted images giving reasons for our choices.</p>	<p>Enquiry: 'What are we?' This week we have started a new enquiry called 'What are we?'. We have looking at different types of animals and sorting them into categories. We learnt all about reptiles, amphibians, insects, birds, mammals and fish and categorised them based on their features.</p>	<p>Enquiry: 'What are we?' We have started our new enquiry 'What are we?' this week and in this enquiry, we are mainly being scientists. We have learnt about how you can tell whether something is living or not and have sorted things into things that are living, things that have once been living but are not anymore, and things that have never been alive. We have also learnt about what a habitat is and how there are macrohabitats and microhabitats suited to different animals.</p>
<p>Extension challenge: Can you make a list of the features of night and day? What do you prefer and why?</p>	<p>Extension challenge: Our challenge was to have a go at naming the animals and comparing similarities and differences between them.</p>	<p>Extension challenge: What are some of the things that all living things can do? (remember MRS GREN)</p>

School Photographs

Thursday 21st November

School photographs will be held in the hall, Thursday 21st November. If you would like sibling photographs with children that **do not** attend CCI please arrive from 8.20am (please note there will be a queue!) Siblings that **do** attend CCI will have their individual and sibling photos taken during the school day. CCI won't mind if any siblings are late arriving at school.



Change of Date

Year 1 Westonbirt trip date change due to the Arboretum double booking the session. The date has changed from Tues 29th April 2025 to Thursday 1st May 2025.



If you were going to help on the trip please let your class teacher if you are still able to – apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Friends Christmas Events

On Friday 29th November the Friends of CCI are holding a 2nd hand Christmas clothing, books and games sale after school in the playground. If you have any outgrown festive clothing (jumpers, Pj's, leggings or accessories!) along with any Christmas books or games please drop them to the office as soon as you are able.

The Christmas Wrap

Event date: 10th December.

£4.00 per gift

This Christmas time, the Friends of CCI are hosting a prepayment shopping experience in school for all children to have the opportunity to choose a gift for any special ADULTS in their family. The children come out of their classrooms to the hall to choose their gift and the hand-picked presents will be sent home wrapped and ready to place under the tree. Available on ParentPay until 6th December. Max 4 gifts per child

Meet Santa

Event Date: 17th December.

£3.00 donation

Exciting news, the Friends of CCI have arranged for a special visit from Santa to all classes in December and we are welcoming your donations! Every child will receive a gift to take home!

Shine Bright
100,000 lights!
SWITCH ON EVERY 23 November from 8pm. Meet Wallace & Gromit!

Winterbourne Wonderland
102 Dawn Road, Winterbourne Down, BS36 1DG

Light show daily 12.30 Nov - 1 Jan, 4.30-9pm
Christmas evening 30 Nov, Dec 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - 34 - 4.30-7.30pm

Visit our events
Y-themed areas - Youth Pub, Enchanted Sweet, Nursery, Safari, Snow Wilderness, Candy corn, bobbies, Christmas rooms, spot the sheep and so much more!

Find out more: winterbourne.co.uk

FRIENDS OF KINGSWOOD PARK
Next Public Meeting
14th November - 6.30-8pm
The Park Centre - Room 3
Kingswood High Street

The Friends of Kingswood Park are a strong group of local folk who make a huge impact in the Park and on the local community which is beyond. This is an opportunity for you to come and get involved.

Now Community Gardens is being planned for Kingswood Park - to give flowers for the park, each look to it and offer a beautiful space for community activities.

It's your chance to be involved in the design and creation of this space, see in the link to plan it www.kingswoodpark.org.uk

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Spending Christmas Day alone? Join Us!

If you are spending Christmas Day on your own this year, regularly feel lonely and would like to make new connections, you may be eligible to join the Marmalade Family for our Christmas Cheer project in 2024 (subject to apply).

You'll be contacted with a friendly volunteer and on the 25th, enjoy a festive lunch with others at a local venue or a doorstep visit. Visit our website or ask someone to contact us for you.

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Contact us for more info and how to book

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