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Dates for Term 1

...October...

Tue 6th Oct 10.30am** – Open worship at Christ Church led by Rev. Watts. Families welcome. **DATE CHANGED TO Tue 20th Oct

Tue 6th Oct - 3.45-4.30pm - EYFS 2027 Stay & Play

Tue 6th Oct - 3.45-5.20pm Penguin Ch. invited to Target Festival at Mangotsfield Secondary school

W/B: 19th October – One page reports sent home

Thu 22nd Oct – Last day of school for children. Non-uniform fundraiser, enrichment activities & Hot Chocolate Headteacher Awards.

Thu 22nd Oct – Friends bake/ Tuck sale 3.10pm

Fri 23rd Oct – INSET Day – no school for children

Mon 26th Oct to Fri 30th Oct - Half term

Dates for Term 2

...November...

Mon 2nd Nov – Term 2 starts, children back to sch. school.

Thurs 12th Nov – 9.00am EYFS 2027 Presentation and Tour

Thurs 12th Nov – EYFS 2027 Stay & Play 3.45-4.30pm

Fri 13th Nov – Colour Run for Children in Need at CCJ

Thurs 19th Nov – Individual/ Sibling Photos

Thurs 19th Nov – 9.00am SEN Coffee Morning

Thurs 19th Nov – Parent/ Carer evening 3.30-6.30pm

Tues 24th Nov – Parent/ Carer evening 3.30-6.30pm

Wed 25th Nov – Flu Vaccination (nasal spray)

Thurs 26th Nov – 9.00am Parent Council

...December...

Tues 1st Dec – Year 1 Theatre trip morning

Wed 2nd Dec – Year 2 Theatre trip morning

Weekly update from Anna Martin



It has been wonderful to see our EYFS children, our youngest athletes, enjoying and exploring the large PE apparatus this week. Their confidence, curiosity and determination have been shining through as they climb, balance and challenge themselves in new ways.



We would also like to extend a huge thank you to everyone from our school community who gave up their Friday evening to help improve our school site. From laying gravel and weeding to clearing rubbish and making trips to the recycling centre, your hard work and generosity have made a real difference. We are incredibly grateful for your support and are proud to be part of such a caring and dedicated community.



**Christ Church
Schools' Partnership**



CCI have been holding the first open events and tours for parents of children who will be applying for Reception in 2027. It was a real pleasure to show off the school to prospective parents, and for both Anna Martin and Edward Huxley to be there to show the strong connection between our schools. Please do spread the word about the strength of the Christ Church Schools, and if you know of anyone applying for Reception 2027 then there are more tours coming up at both CCI and CCJ



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Collective Worship

Monday – Belinda and her puppy puppet Jack came in to teach the children the Bible Story of Zacchaeus.

Tuesday – Mr Jones led our weekly spirituality worship, telling the children about Corrie Ten Bloom. She was a Dutch watchmaker who, motivated by her Christian faith, helped hide hundreds of Jewish people and underground workers from the Nazis during WW11.

Wednesday – Weekly Worship through Celebration, Values awards and Reading raffle prizes.

Thursday – Mrs Martin taught the children about why we learn about Black History and focus on this in October.

Friday – Mrs Martin practised the Harvest Songs with the children.

Black History Month at CCI

Throughout October, the children at CCI will be learning about **Black History Month**, celebrating the achievements and contributions of inspiring black people who have helped shape our world. Through stories, discussions and classroom activities, children will discover famous figures from history, science, sport, music, literature and civil rights, learning how their determination, courage and talent brought about positive change. We will explore the lives of remarkable role models who challenged barriers, followed their dreams and made a lasting difference, encouraging our children to believe in themselves and recognise that everyone has the power to achieve great things and inspire others.



Living the Values

This week's school children's awards go to;

Ethan in Lions – for noticing a child was playing on their own during choosing time and offering to play with them, sharing the cars and trains.

Maya in Tigers - for showing kindness to everyone she meets and taking care of them if they are hurt or sad.

Summer G in Giraffes – for befriending a little girl in Lion Class, who has been struggling at playtimes. She has gone out of her way to make sure she feels happy and safe.

The staff awards go to Mrs Perry and Mrs Jenkins. Mrs Perry has been amazing, printing extra resources for other classes, sending emails to parents, updating all the Bug Club book levels for all of EYFS! A wonderful friend - helping the whole EYFS team! **Mrs Jenkins** has been showing friendship and kindness to a colleague by helping them to mentor a student.

The home awards go to;

Flo in Lions – When her mum went to play netball, Flo wished her mum luck, giving her lots of hugs and kisses and even passed some magic through her hands!

Reuben B in Giraffes - when his little sister was poorly last week, he spent some time trying to make her laugh to cheer her up!

Mahir in Pandas - has shown friendship at home this week by helping out. He has helped mummy organise his toys and even gave some of his old toys that he didn't want any more to some of his younger cousins!

Sully in Cheetahs – Sully had a special date night with his mummy and was allowed to choose their meal. He chose pancakes because he knows his mummy loves them even though he doesn't like them.

Elijah in Crocodiles - when his brother got his first Lego set, Elijah kindly offered to share some of his Lego sets with him since Boaz only had one.

Yashal in Lions – showed friendship on a recent family walk by holding her little sister's hand all the way, making sure she stayed close and was safe.

Hunter in Cheetahs – His friend Sully finally passed his swimming badge this week, after being in stage 2 for over a year and was getting upset about it. He was so excited when he got home and ran to Hunter's house to tell him. Hunter said "I'm very, very proud of you Sully".



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CCI & CCJ School Tours

CCI dates

Thursday 12th November 2026 – 9am

Morning Tour and Presentation with Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher & EYFS Lead.

Thursday 12th November 2026 – 3.45-4.30pm

EYFS 2027 Stay & Play in EYFS classrooms

Tuesday 15th December 2026 – 9am

Morning Tour and Presentation with Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher & EYFS Lead.

Thursday 7th January 2027 – 3.45-4.30pm

EYFS 2027 Stay & Play in EYFS classrooms

CCJ dates

Thursday 8th October 2026 – 5pm

Presentation & Tour with Headteacher

Wednesday 18th November 2026 – 9.30am

Presentation & Tour with Headteacher

South Gloucestershire Council Active Libraries

Seasonal Crafts

Awesome Autumn

Downend Library

Wednesday 28th

October

2:30 - 3:30pm

Free drop in activity most suitable for primary school aged children.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.
www.southglos.gov.uk/holiday-activities

Out of School Achievements



Ralph with his certificate, having made it to the semi-finals of his tennis club's U8 boys tournament. We are really proud of him, particularly as he was one of the youngest players

Completing our Sensory Garden

We have been working on a sensory garden on the field – we are nearly there!! We now have some gazebos and storage to put in place so that we can make sure we can use the space whatever the weather.

Can you help??

We would love some parents to help us finish this space on

Saturday 10th October 10 am.

Please let me know

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EYFS	Y1	Y2
Being an author: This week our Drawing Club book has been 'Mixed'. We have had great fun reading the book and exploring colours in a range of ways. Colour mixing was lots of fun! In our character session we drew 'yellow' and practiced writing our initial sounds 's,a,t,p'. During our adventure time session, the children imagined the colours exploring in a rocket. We all used our mark making skills to draw rockets and challenged ourselves to write the word 'sat'.	Being an author: This week has been our final week on our story, 'Lubna and Pebble'. Using the story map to support their language, the children have re-written the beginning of the story. We encouraged them to apply their grammar skills of finger spaces, full stops and using and to join words.	Being an author: This week in Year 2 we have been writing our very own versions of 'Lubna and the Pebble'. We have been working hard to remember all of the different skills that we have learnt over the past few weeks. This included using full stops, exclamation marks, capital letters (& for names) and a range of conjunctions and exciting adjectives!
Extension challenge: Can you make your own colour mixing picture and label?	Extension challenge: We have shared interesting vocabulary from our story; clutched, grinned, whispered and smooth. The children were encouraged to challenge themselves to include this in their final pieces.	Extension challenge: Our challenge this week was to use the conjunctions 'but' & 'so' in a sentence. For example, Lubna was feeling really upset but she was happy they had a new home!
Being a mathematician: In Maths this week we have been looking a simple pattern. It has been great fun creating our own 2 and 3 step natural patterns with leaves, twigs, conkers and acorns. In addition, we have continued 2-step shape and colour patterns.	Being a mathematician: Continuing with addition, the children have solved simple sums using a number line. We have encouraged the children to use 'first, then and now' as they retell number stories.	Being a mathematician: This week we have started addition and subtraction within 100. We started the week by just adding ones, then moving onto just adding tens. Then we completed a mixture of questions! We have been working hard to make sure we are drawing out our numbers correctly, using tens and ones. 
Extension challenge: Can you create a 3- step pattern with everyday objects e.g., pencil, shoe, pencil, shoe?	Extension challenge: The children created their own number stories and recorded these as number sentences.	Extension challenge: Our challenge this week was to complete a word problem using the skill of drawing it out!
Enquiry: Who are we? This week we in our enquiry we have read the 'You Choose' book and have talked in circle time about the children's different responses. We encouraged the children to listen respectfully to each other's answers.	Enquiry: As geographers we have learnt the names of the five oceans and labelled these on a world map. In our DT this week we have designed our moving pictures will look like and thought about where we will include a hinge, lever and slider. As scientists we have continued working on different habitats and this week we learned all about a woodlouse; they need air, shelter food and water.	Enquiry: This week we have been busy being engineers, scientists and geographers! We have been learning about the oceans of the world, how to create a moving picture and what a mini beast needs to survive. 
Extension challenge: Can you draw a picture of which house you would choose to live in? Also, can you explain why?	Extension challenge: In which ocean will you find the Mariana Trench or the Bermuda Triangle?	Extension challenge: Our challenge this week was to identify where on a globe we could find the continents and the oceans!



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Would you mind taking a couple of minutes to complete this form? It would be great if you can submit your response by Oct 9th, 2026 – Thank you! Right click to copy the link

[Providing Support for our Families – Fill out form](#)



Could you be the 'Friendly' Face at the gate?

Become a SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL

We are seeking a warm, community-minded individual to help keep children and families safe on their journey to and from school.

We currently have vacancies within the South Gloucestershire area.

MORNING DUTY

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

AFTERNOON DUTY

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Duty times subject to change

Term time only – paid role.
Full training & uniform provided. Meaningful way to support your local community.



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

roadsafetyeducation@southglos.gov.uk



Arbor

Please ensure your child has at least 2 emergency contacts on their Arbor profile. Also, please update the permissions section if you would like your child to appear on Facebook, Instagram, School Website or Newsletter.



Anything is possible when you have the right people there to support you.

MISTY COPELAND