



Christ Church Hanham C of E VC Primary School

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CCH Weekly Bulletin #12

Whole School Information

And just like that, we find ourselves in December and the church season of Advent. The final two weeks of term are full of exciting opportunities and experiences for our children; please make a note of the key dates, later in this bulletin, to ensure you do not miss anything!

Attendance

Our goal is for attendance to be, at least, 97%. **This week's whole school attendance is 96.7%**- an increase of 0.4% from last week.

Class	Weekly Attendance	Class	Weekly Attendance
EYFS	93.0%	Eva Ibbotson	94.5%
Jill Murphy	96.2%	Michael Morpurgo	96.9%
Oliver Jeffers	99.2%	Berlie Doherty	98.2%
Emily Gravett	98.1%	Malorie Blackman	98.2%
Cressida Cowell	94.8%	William Shakespeare	99.4%

Well done to the classes in green for meeting, or exceeding, our attendance goal this week! A special well done to **Oliver Jeffers Class** and **William Shakespeare Class** for very impressive attendance this week😊

Book Fair

You will have received a letter, this week, from Miss Holloway about the Book Fair. Reading is central to all that we do at CCH so please take some time from your busy schedules to pop along and browse the books on offer. A new book is the perfect Christmas gift for our children and, by supporting this event, we will earn commission to spend on further improving and updating the books we have in school!

The Book Fair will be open until 4.00pm from today until Thursday 7th December. On Wednesday 6th December, the Book Fair will be open until 7.00pm. We hope to see you there.

Christmas Post Box

From Monday 4th until Thursday 14th December, the CCH Christmas Post Box will be in the playground before school. If your child would like to send a Christmas card to their friends and/or teacher, they can use our Christmas post service. Please ensure envelopes are clearly labelled with the recipient's name and class/year group. The post box will be emptied and cards delivered daily.



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KS2 Practice at Church

On **Thursday 7th December**, we will be taking pupils in Key Stage Two to church to complete a rehearsal for our Christmas Celebration. We will be leaving school around 9.10am and returning around 10.00am. If you are able to support us to walk the children to and from church, please let the office know.

We will also require support with walking to and from church for the actual Key Stage Two Christmas Celebration on **Thursday 14th December**. We will be leaving school around 9.30am. Please let the office know if you can support us on this day.

Non-Uniform Day

On Friday 8th December, children can come to school in clothes of their choice. We kindly ask that, in return, each family donates something for our Christmas Fayre.

EYFS/KS1: please bring in bars/bags of chocolate (in date and nut free)

KS2: please bring in bottles of drink (soft drink, alcohol)

Uniform

If our uniform provider, Monkhouse, have listed 'out of stock' for uniform items, please contact The Friends of CCH as they have a large stock of second-hand items which can be purchased at a reduced/low cost.

The Barton Entrance

Thank you for adhering to what we have asked and refraining from using the Barton car park. Please remember that the car park cannot be used by any member of our school family. Our monitoring has identified that there are still a few of our families driving in to this area to drop children off. We ask, again, that this stops immediately in order to ensure the safety of our children and families who use the pedestrian entrance.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Dates for your diary

Please make a note of the many Christmas events and dates:



- Tuesday 5th December- EYFS Nativity @2.30pm (CCH Friends will be selling refreshments; please bring cash)
- Thursday 7th December- EYFS Nativity @9.30am (CCH Friends will be selling refreshments; please bring cash)
- Friday 8th December- Non-uniform day in exchange for chocolate (EYFS/KS1) and bottles (KS2)
- Friday 8th December- Elfridge's Pop-Up Gift Shop for children
- **Saturday 9th December- CCH Christmas Fayre, 10.30am to 1.00pm**
- Monday 11th December- KS1 Nativity @2.15pm (CCH Friends will be selling refreshments; please bring cash)



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- Tuesday 12th December- Christmas lunch for EYFS to Year 3 and Christmas Jumper Day
- Wednesday 13th December- Christmas lunch for Years 4 to 6 and Christmas Jumper Day
- Wednesday 13th December- KS1 Nativity @9.30am (CCH Friends will be selling refreshments; please bring cash)
- Thursday 14th December- KS2 Christmas Service @10.00am (CCH Friends will be selling refreshments; please bring cash)

Other key dates:

- Friday 1st to Thursday 7th December: Travelling Book Fair
- Monday 4th December- Y5 trip to STEAM
- Wednesday 6th December- Year 1 to 6 Parent Teacher Meetings
- Monday 11th December- Year 5 to Christmas Celebration at The Bath Forum
- Friday 15th December- last day of term
- Tuesday 2nd January 2024- INSET #3
- Wednesday 3rd January- First day of term for pupils

Friends of CCH

BOTTLE & CHOCOLATE DONATIONS!

Non- uniform day in exchange for Xmas Fayre Tombola donations please!

Friday 8th Dec - Non uniform day KS1 Chocolate and KS2 Bottles

DONATION TABLES WILL BE SET UP IN THE PLAYGROUND AT DROP OFF AND PICK UP - THANKS!



THE FRIENDS - IMPORTANT DATES

- Order Elfridges gifts by Fri 1st Dec
- Non-uniform day Fri 8th Dec - please bring in Chocolate (KS1) and Bottles (KS2)
- Refreshments served at Nativity performances and church service - please bring cash
- By 8th Dec -
 - Return raffle tickets
 - Book Santa's grotto
 - Bring in NEW & NEARLY NEW Donations
- Xmas Fayre - Sat 9th Dec



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Other letters/ communication sent home this week

Communication	Audience	Date sent
Travelling Book Fair	Whole school	27 th November 2023

Community Information

Holiday Activities and Food Programme from South Gloucestershire

Fully funded provision is for those children and young people that are eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

The **Holiday activities and Food (HAF) programme** is running again during the winter holidays for children and young people in South Glos.

Dates are generally between Monday 18 December and Friday 22 December but will vary by provider.

The HAF programme is for **children and young people aged 5 to 16 who receive benefits-related free school meals**.

Before booking funded HAF places, you need to have successfully applied for free school meals at

www.southglos.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

Children receiving universal free school meals, automatically offered in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 without needing to apply, do not qualify for funded HAF place unless they have completed a successful application.

Please follow these steps:

- Visit www.southglos.gov.uk/HAF for full information on the HAF programme and further support available to families.
- Click on **'book a space for your child now'** – this will take you directly to our booking platform with full listings of all the available activities and clubs.
- You will need to **register your child on this system** unless they attended a HAF programme over the summer holidays – in which case you will already have an account, so you will simply need to book the dates.
- The system will run an eligibility check to ensure that your child is registered on our benefits-related free school meals list. The list is kept up to date on a weekly basis, so it's best to build in time to apply for benefits-related free school meals ahead of booking HAF places.
- The booking system is mobile friendly so should be accessible to most families.

If you do not have online access, you will need to contact the HAF club provider directly to book places for you.

Yours faithfully,



Neil McKellar-Turner
Headteacher



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