



# Christ Church Hanham C of E VC Primary School

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## CCH Weekly Bulletin #21

### Whole School Information

It has been a busy and action-packed final week of term. Our whole school has focussed on our school definition of bullying (included below) and the roles that may be taken by others in a bullying situation. We have also used the NSPCC materials to support our children to understand different types of abuse and what is acceptable and safe behaviour from others. The most important message we want children to take from this week is to speak out if they feel uncomfortable or unsafe about the behaviour of someone else- whether this behaviour is in person or online.

Have a lovely half term break; we look forward to seeing our school family again on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

### Attendance

Our goal is for attendance to be, at least, 97%. **Our whole school attendance figure for this term is 95.6%.**

This is below our school target and only one class managed to exceed our 97% target this term. Where individual attendance causes a concern, we will inform families in order to engage with you in a supportive manner to see what can be done to bring about an improvement. Hopefully, as we move into the second part of the spring term, we will see warmer weather and a decrease in illness which will result in stronger attendance from all next term.

| Class               | Term 3 Attendance |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Julia Donaldson     | 94.8%             |
| Jill Murphy         | 96.9%             |
| Oliver Jeffers      | 98.5%             |
| Emily Gravett       | 95.5%             |
| Cressida Cowell     | 93.4%             |
| Michael Morpurgo    | 94.5%             |
| Berlie Doherty      | 94.9%             |
| Benjamin Zephaniah  | 96.5%             |
| William Shakespeare | 95.8%             |

### CCH Bullying Definition

At our school, we use the following definition to teach the children about the types of behaviour we might see and how to distinguish bullying from unkind behaviour:



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*The repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. Bullying can be physical, verbal or psychological. It can happen face-to-face or online*

## **Online Safety**

Our focus on online safety and bullying this week has revealed that many of our children have access to online communication via an electronic device, especially mobile phones. A key area that has been discussed is the use of WhatsApp. The minimum age limit for WhatsApp is 13. Whilst it is not school's place to dictate what children access outside of school, we would encourage all families to discuss their child's online activity. Below are some key tips to share with your child. Our message to children is that they should not post anything online, or send anything in a message, that they would not say face to face.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2022/top-tips-for-under-11s>

## **CCH English Week**

Our annual English Week, where we celebrate all things reading and writing, takes place from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. There is plenty to look forward to and we are fortunate to have another author visit us at the end of the week; this will, hopefully, inspire some of our children to want to take up writing as a hobby and maybe even a future career! Please start thinking about your child's costume for World Book Day on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March. We do not expect families to have to spend lots of money on costumes so think creatively about accessories or recycling something from a previous year. This year, they will be able to maximise their time in their outfit as we have our World Book Day Disco taking place after school on this day. Further information is attached with this bulletin.

## **TTRS National Competition**

Well done to all of our children who took part in the national TTRS competition last Friday. Team CCH finished a respectable 1661<sup>st</sup> out of 3623 schools.

Please support your child to access Times Tables Rock Stars for 10 minutes every day as this makes a huge difference to their accuracy and speed of multiplication facts.

## **Sport at CCH**

This term has been a busy one for Team CCH's sports teams. We had lots of success in the South Gloucestershire Swimming Gala in January. Our Year 5 and 6 boys' football team have had some impressive wins in the league, and they are also through to the semi-final of the cup competition (to be played next term)! This week has also seen our Year 4 boys setting out their intentions for when they reach Year 5 and can represent our school in the league and cup by taking part in a South Gloucestershire tournament in which they won four games out of four. Well done Team CCH.



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## Girls' Football

Mr Thomas will be re-starting the girls' football club for girls in Years 4, 5 and 6 next term. Sessions will take place on Tuesdays between 3.30 and 4.30pm. Please sign up via ParentPay. Our usual programme of teacher-led lunchtime and after school clubs will resume in the summer term.

## Parent-Teacher Meetings

Our spring term parent-teacher consultations will take place towards the end of next term. Further information about how to book your appointment will be shared when we come back from half term.

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April for all classes (apart from Cressida Cowell Class)**

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April for Cressida Cowell Class**

## Learning over Half Term

The Somerset Earth Science Centre has a mini museum day on 22<sup>nd</sup> February from 11.00am to 4.00pm. Here is the face book link: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1XuTzCbsfo/>

Vinnie in Year 4 volunteers at this centre and he would love to see some fellow CCH families at the centre on this date.



## Last Day of the Academic Year

The school year will finish for children on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025. **On this day, the school day will finish at 2.20pm for all children.** The year 6 children will then make their final exit from CCH at 2.30pm.

We have decided to have two INSET days at the start of next academic year so the first day of the new school year, for children, will be **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.**



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## INSET

2024- 25

- INSET #4 Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025
- INSET #5 Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025

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- INSET #1 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025
- INSET #2 Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

## Dates for your diary (new dates added since last edition)

- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February- Friends of CCH Valentine's Bake Sale @3.30pm
- **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February- End of term 3**
- **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February- Start of term 4**
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February- Friends of CCH Annual General Meeting (AGM) @8.00pm on Teams
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February- CCH Choir to Young Voices Concert in Birmingham
- w/b 3<sup>rd</sup> March- CCH English Week
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March- World Book Day- come dressed as a book character/ costume inspired by books
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March- Friends of CCH World Book Day Disco
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March- Breakfast and Books @8.25am
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March- Year 6 ukulele showcase to families @9.00am
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March- Y5 drumming showcase to families @3.00pm
- Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March- Parent-Teacher Consultations (not Cressida Cowell Class)
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April- Parent-Teacher Consultations (Cressida Cowell Class only)
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April- Parent-Teacher Consultations (all classes)
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April- Easter Service @9.30am
- **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April- End of term 4**
- **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April- Start of term 5**
- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April- Year 4 Explorer Dome experience
- w/b 12<sup>th</sup> May- Year 6 Statutory Assessments (SATs)
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May- Year 5 visit to Living Rainforest
- w/b 19<sup>th</sup> May- CCH Sports' Week
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May- Sports' Day



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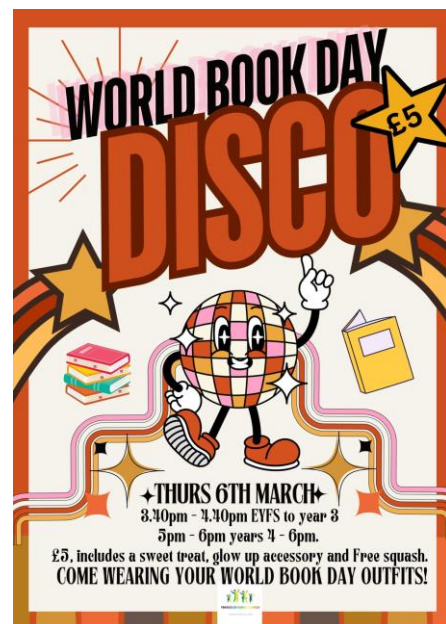
- **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May- End of term 5**
- **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June- Start of term 6**
- w/b 2<sup>nd</sup> June- Year 6 residential to Okehampton
- w/b 9<sup>th</sup> June- Year 1 Phonics Screening Check and Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
- w/b 16<sup>th</sup> June- CCH Arts' Week
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June- Class photographs
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July- Year 6 Leavers' Service @9.30am
- **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July- Last day of term 6 for pupils. School day ends at 2.20pm.**
- **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July- INSET #4. School closed to pupils**
- **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July- INSET #5. School closed to pupils**

## 2025- 26 Academic Year

- **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025- INSET #1. School closed to pupils**
- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025- INSET #2. School closed to pupils**

## Friends of CCH

Upcoming events- please save the date:



Links to book disco tickets:

<https://bit.ly/CCH-disco-EYFS-Y1-Y2-Y3>

<https://bit.ly/CCH-disco-Y4-Y5-Y6>



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## Other letters/ communication sent home this week

| Communication                      | Audience     | Date sent                      |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| English Week Letter & Author Visit | Whole school | With this bulletin             |
| Cycle Training                     | Year 5       | 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 |
| Young Voices Preparations          | Choir        | 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 |
| Yr6 SATs Book Order Form           | Year 6       | 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 |
| Yr6 SATs Meeting                   | Year 6       | 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 |

## Community Information

### Wider Community Offers and Information

### Five reasons to change a child's life through fostering

- 1 To give children the chance to have a brighter and happier future.
- 2 To offer children a positive experience of family life.
- 3 To become part of a highly experienced, ethical and professionally committed team.
- 4 To receive professional support, 24/7, 365 days a year.
- 5 To access regular training and development opportunities.

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[carer.enquiries@five-rivers.org](mailto:carer.enquiries@five-rivers.org)

Find out more here

## CHORISTER for the day

Saturday 1 March 2025

*"I would recommend it because the singing makes me feel really happy."*  
 Toby, chorister, age 12

Be a Chorister for the Day...

Does your child

- enjoy singing?
- show potential?

We invite budding musicians in Year 4 and their families to join us for a day of singing fun, activities, and Choral Evensong.

- meet the music staff
- meet the choristers
- try on robes
- enjoy a singing workshop
- meet chorister parents over coffee
- learn about Evensong and chorister life

...become a Chorister for Life

- Choristers receive an exceptional musical education
- they learn to work in teams
- sing with adults as equals
- sing on national TV and radio and for dignitaries
- tour foreign countries
- receive funding for instrumental lessons
- receive free singing lessons
- and are educated at Bristol Cathedral Choir School

*"Being a chorister is full-on, but worth it for the experience and the memories."*  
 Sam, chorister, age 12

*"I love being a chorister and it really feels like a part of me! I can't wait to leave for choir every Monday."*  
 Liam, production, age 10

*"It makes me feel happy to be part of something so big and historic."*  
 Chlo, production, age 11

For more information or to book a place contact  
 Tim Popple, Music & Liturgy Officer, or scan the QR code  
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## *Easter Egg Appeal for the Leaves and Fishes Project*



It's that time of year again when we ask for donations of Easter Eggs for our clients.

Are you able to help us?

We would love to get enough to give to everyone who comes to us for help, plus the children of the families we support.

Donations can be received in **March**, Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays between the hours of 10am - 12:30pm

Thank you in advance for your support and help.

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Yours faithfully,

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