Christ Church Hanham C of E VC Primary School

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Friday 6 November 2026

CCH Weekly Bulletin #9

Term 2 has got off to a bang with our amazing community fireworks celebration- a huge thank you to our Friends of CCH and to everyone who attended this brilliant event. This week, our children have been reflecting on our new value of hope and how we can all be givers of hope to those around us. Next week, we will be learning about the importance of remembrance and the whole school will be involved in our annual Remembrance Service.



Our Vision and Values

Each term, we focus on one of our core values through Collective Worship and our curriculum- inside and outside of the classroom.

Our core value for this term is hope.	
Our core Bible stories linked to our value are:	New Heaven and New Earth (Revelation 21) Christmas Story- The Shepherds (Luke 2)
Our values quotation to help guide us next term is:	'May the God of hope fill you with joy and peace' Romans 15.13



Values in Action Certificate

Our **Values in Action certificate** for this term is also attached. If you see your child living out our value of **hope** in some way outside of school, please recognise this by awarding them a certificate and sharing it with their class teacher. We will then display this on our school values tree in the hall so that we can all recognise and celebrate one another.

Building Works

As you will have seen from the communication sent out this week, we are preparing to welcome Christchurch Pre-School onto our premises in 2027. As a result, building work will commence at the start of next week. This will mean that part of the KS1 playground will be out of bounds as we build our new EYFS outdoor learning space. Please see the attached letter for more information.

We kindly ask you to support our message of danger awareness and safety with your children, especially those families who use the KS1 playground.



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SCHOOL GAMES PLATINUM 2025/26 - 2026/27

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CCH Remembers



On Wednesday 11th November, we will hold our annual CCH Remembrance Service. **On this day, children who belong to any uniformed organisations can wear their uniform (eg Brownies, Cubs).**

Once again, **we would like to extend an invitation to any families who are in/ connected to the British Armed Forces and to any veterans within our community.** If you would like to attend, please complete this short form: CCH Remembrance Service- Wednesday 11th November 2026 – Fill in form

You will need to arrive for 10.30am to sign in. Our service begins at 10.45am.



Our Changemakers will also be selling poppies and other items in aid of the Royal British Legion. Sales will take place at break times **from Friday 6th November**. Children will need to bring in cash if they would like to purchase anything.

Children in Need

Children in Need takes place on **Friday 13th November.** Our CCH Changemakers have reflected on how we can build upon our value of hope as we support this important national charity event.



As we have had a few charity events in quick succession, they have decided on a non-uniform day where children can come to school **wearing something yellow and/or spotty**.

Rather than asking for a specific donation, we will have our collection buckets out on Friday, before and after school. If you are able to donate anything, please drop this into our buckets.

Our Changemakers have also chosen to turn our Funky Friday on this day into a **whole school dance challenge.** We will be learning some routines to well-known songs and trying to get the whole school involved in performing this at lunchtime!

Attendance and Absence

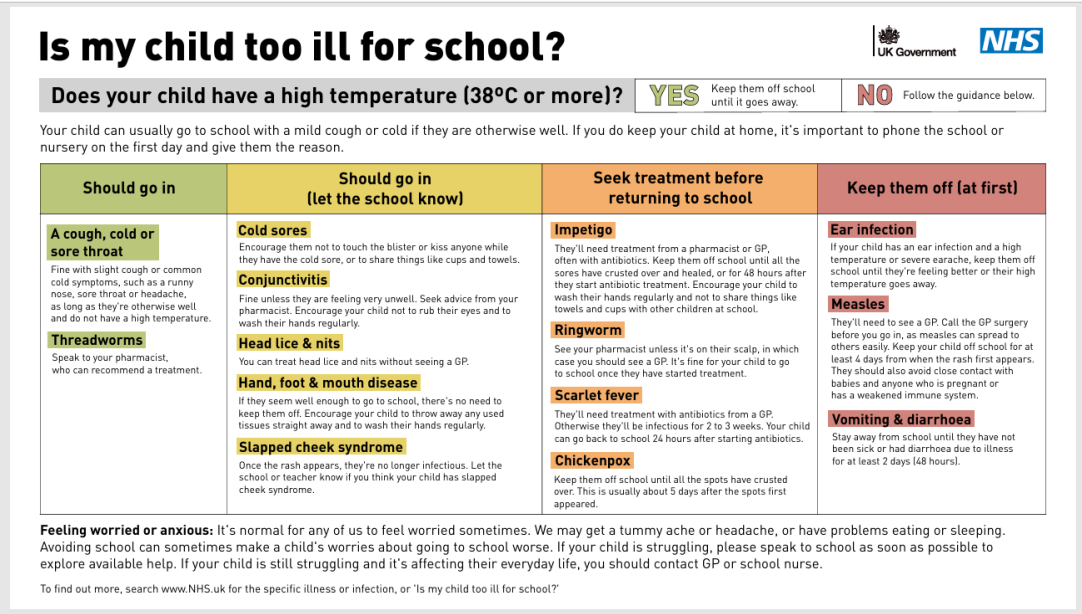
We have sent out our general attendance letters to all families this week. This is part of our attendance policy. These letters are purely for information so that parents/ carers are aware of their child's overall attendance each term and families can see how their child's attendance compares to our minimum expectation of 96% and our target of 97%.

As we enter the winter season, it is to be expected that children will pick up general coughs and colds. In most cases, children should still be able to attend school even with cold-like symptoms. The NHS has produced the below poster to support parents/carers in making a decision about whether a child is well enough to go to school: NHS guidance sheet

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Is my child too ill for school?

UK Government NHS

Does your child have a high temperature (38ºC or more)? YES Keep them off school until it goes away. NO Follow the guidance below.

Your child can usually go to school with a mild cough or cold if they are otherwise well. If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school or nursery on the first day and give them the reason.

Should go in	Should go in (let the school know)	Seek treatment before returning to school	Keep them off (at first)
A cough, cold or sore throat Fine with slight cough or common cold symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat or headache, as long as they're otherwise well and do not have a high temperature.	**Cold sores** Encourage them not to touch the blister or kiss anyone while they have the cold sore, or to share things like cups and towels.	**Impetigo** They'll need treatment from a pharmacist or GP, often with antibiotics. Keep them off school until all the sores have crusted over and healed, or for 48 hours after they start antibiotic treatment. Encourage your child to wash their hands regularly and not to share things like towels and cups with other children at school.	**Ear infection** If your child has an ear infection and a high temperature or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better or their high temperature goes away.
Threadworms Speak to your pharmacist, who can recommend a treatment.	**Conjunctivitis** Fine unless they are feeling very unwell. Seek advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.	**Ringworm** See your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP. It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.	**Measles** They'll need to see a GP. Call the GP surgery before you go in, as measles can spread to others easily. Keep your child off school for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears. They should also avoid close contact with babies and anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system.
	Head lice & nits You can treat head lice and nits without seeing a GP.	**Scarlet fever** They'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.	**Vomiting & diarrhoea** Stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea due to illness for at least 2 days (48 hours).
	Hand, foot & mouth disease If they seem well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues straight away and to wash their hands regularly.	**Chickenpox** Keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over. This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.	
	Slapped cheek syndrome Once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious. Let the school or teacher know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.		

Feeling worried or anxious: It's normal for any of us to feel worried sometimes. We may get a tummy ache or headache, or have problems eating or sleeping. Avoiding school can sometimes make a child's worries about going to school worse. If your child is struggling, please speak to school as soon as possible to explore available help. If your child is still struggling and it's affecting their everyday life, you should contact GP or school nurse.

To find out more, search www.NHS.uk for the specific illness or infection, or 'Is my child too ill for school?'

Notices and Reminders

Could you be a CCH governor?

We have some **vacancies for parent and co-opted governors to join our governing body.** If you are interested in this role or would like to find out more, please contact the school office.

Term Dates 2026-27

Term 1	Term 3	Term 5
Tuesday 1st September to Friday 23rd October **INSET #1 Tuesday 1st Sept.** **INSET #2 Wednesday 2nd Sept.** **INSET #3 Monday 19th Oct.**	Monday 4th January 2027 to Friday 12th February **INSET #4 Monday 4th Jan.**	Monday 12th April to Friday 28th May
Term 2	**Term 4**	**Term 6**
Monday 2nd November to Friday 18th December	Monday 22nd February to Thursday 25th March	Monday 7th June to Wednesday 21st July **INSET #5 Wednesday 21st July**

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Dates for your diary (new dates added since last edition/ Friends of CCH events)

2026-27

- Sunday 8th November- Hanham Remembrance Service
- Tuesday 10th November- Year 3 trip to Stonehenge
- Wednesday 11th November- CCH Remembrance Service @10.45am
- Thursday 12th November- South Glos. Inter Faith Day
- Friday 13th November- Children in Need
- Wednesday 18th November- Year 2 trip to SS Great Britain
- Monday 23rd November- Encountering Faith Day: Judaism
- Monday 23rd November- Flu vaccinations
- Tuesday 24th November- Year 4 and Year 5 trip to Jewish Congregation
- Thursday 26th November- Friday 4th December: Book Fair
- Monday 30th November- Year 4 to WEMA Christmas Celebration
- Monday 30th November- Years 1- 6 Parent-Teacher Meetings
- Wednesday 2nd December- Year 1-6 Parent-Teacher Meetings
- Friday 4th December- Friends of CCH Elfridges Sale
- Monday 7th December- Whole school trip to pantomime at Bristol Hippodrome
- Wednesday 9th December- Year 5 trip to Aerospace Museum
- Wednesday 9th December- Christmas Lunch (EYFS- Year 3)
- Wednesday 9th December- EYFS Nativity to families @2.15pm
- Thursday 10th December- EYFS Nativity to families @9.30am
- Thursday 10th December- Singing and piano concert @3.30pm
- Tuesday 15th December- KS1 Nativity to families @9.30am
- Wednesday 16th December- Christmas Lunch (Year 4- Year 6)
- Wednesday 16th December- Rocksteady concert @2.30pm (for families of children who have Rocksteady lessons)
- Thursday 17th December- KS2 Christmas Service @9.30am
- Thursday 17th December- KS1 Nativity to families @2.00pm
- Saturday 12th December- CCH Christmas Fayre
- **Friday 18th December- End of term 2 for pupils. School finishes at 2.30pm.**
- **Monday 4th January 2027- INSET #4. School closed to pupils**
- **Tuesday 5th January- Start of term 3 for pupils**
- **Friday 12th February- End of term 3 for pupils**
- **Monday 22nd February- Start of term 4 for pupils**

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- Wednesday 17th March- Year 3 to Voices for Life Concert
- Wednesday 24th March- Easter Service @9.30am
- **Thursday 25th March- End of term 4 for pupils. School finishes at 2.30pm.**
- **Monday 12th April- Start of term 5 for pupils**
- Friday 30th April- CCH May Day Celebration (afternoon)
- Monday 10th to Thursday 13th May- Year 6 SATs Week
- Monday 24th to Friday 28th May- CCH Sports' Week 2027
- Wednesday 26th May- Sports' Day
- **Friday 28th May- End of term 5 for pupils**
- **Monday 7th June- Start of term 6 for pupils**
- Monday 7th to Friday 11th June- Year 6 residential to Okehampton
- Monday 14th to Friday 18th June- Year 1 Phonics Screening Check and Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
- Monday 19th July- Year 6 Leavers' Service @9.30am
- **Tuesday 20th July- End of term 6 for pupils. Class family picnic @12.15pm. School day ends at 1.05pm. Final farewell to Year 6 at 1.15pm**
- **Wednesday 21st July- INSET #5 School closed to pupils**

Friends of CCH





https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/elfridges--2026-3

https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/wreath-making--2026

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Other letters/ communication sent home this week

Communication	Audience	Date sent
WEMA Christmas Event	Yr4	4th November 2026
Aerospace school trip	Yr5	4th November 2026
Pantomime letter	Whole School	4th November 2026
Letter regarding pre-school	Whole School	4th November 2026

Community Offer and Information



Mindline South West Text and Chat | Mind in Somerset

Text Hello to 80899 (or click the live chat bubble in the bottom righthand corner of website)

Free, confidential mental health support, whenever you need it.

Mindline South West Text and Chat is a 24-hour, 7-day-a-week text and webchat service offering confidential mental health crisis support, offering translation including BSL. It's run by Mind in Somerset, working in partnership with local Minds across the South West of England.

If you're struggling with your mental health and live in Somerset, Devon, Cornwall, Dorset, Wiltshire, Bath, Bristol, Swindon or Gloucestershire, we're here for you day or night.

What to expect

Every message is answered by a trained member of our support team. We treat everyone with equality, dignity and respect, and without judgement whoever you are, whatever you're going through. Our staff keep the focus entirely on you; they won't share details about themselves or their own experiences.

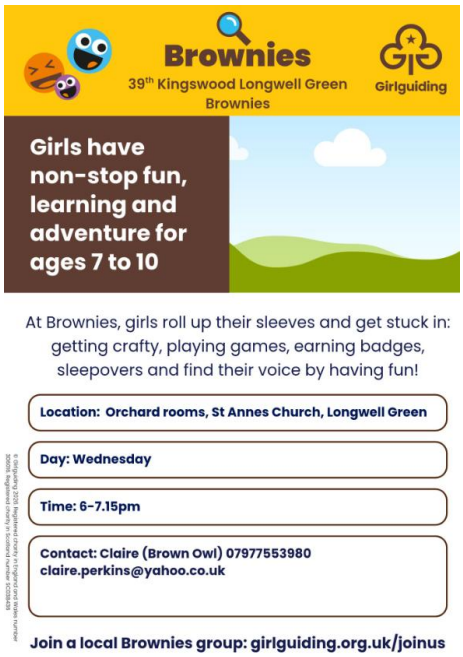
Beyond the immediate crisis, we can help you find local crisis intervention services and put you in touch with your nearest Mind for ongoing support.

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Yours faithfully,

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