



Friday, 19 October 2018

THE WEEK AHEAD

22 – 25 October

Tuesday	Y3 and Y5 Parents' Meetings
Wednesday	School Photographer
Thursday	Y4 and Y6 Parents' Meetings
Friday	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS

Parents' Meetings

We look forward to welcoming parents to Parents' Meetings on Tuesday and Thursday next week. Please head straight to the school hall 10 minutes before your allotted appointment.

School photographer

The school photographer will be in next week to take individual pictures of all of the children. If you want siblings to be photographed together please email admin@cjs.derby.sch.uk with the names and classes of the children.

Clubs for next half term

All clubs for half term are now on ParentPay. There are a few changes to the timetable. From November there will be two Wildcats sessions, Mondays for Y3/4 and Wednesday for Y5/6. There is also no Cheerleading club on a Friday. Please book early to avoid disappointment. The club timetable is now on the [website](#)

Charity Non-Uniform day

Pupils and Staff have raised over **£420** today (19 October) to be split between two cancer charities and the Disaster Emergency

Committee Appeal for Indonesia. Well done CJS!

Y5 Trip to Jamia Derby Mosque

All Y5 children will be visiting the Jamia Derby Mosque as part of their RE studies. The trip is now on ParentPay.

Dovedale and Hartington will visit on the Wednesday after half term, so can parents please provide consent and payment as soon as possible. More details of the trip are on the [website](#)

Harvest Festival, Monday 15 October



On Monday the Y4 children performed their Harvest musical to the rest of the school and to their

parents and grandparents. The children told the story of Johnny Appleseed, an American farmer who planted apple seeds wherever he went.

The children treated us to excellent speaking, enthusiastic singing and superb dancing. A huge thank you to you all for the harvest donations. These gifts have gone to the Padley Centre who donate the produce to the Homeless and vulnerable citizens of Derby. Well done Y4 you did a great job!

Year 5 and 6 Cross Country relay event – 17 October

On Wednesday night the Year 5 and 6 Cross-Country Team competed in the Derby Primary Schools' Cross Country Relay event competition at Moorways, in the beautiful autumn sunshine! This week the children ran as teams of 4, running a lap each before handing the baton to the next runner. In the

boys' race our A and B teams came a brilliant 4th and 5th. The girls' B team finished in the top 10, but as yet we are unsure of the exact position; the girls' A team ran an amazing race to finish in first place.

We are also delighted to announce that the first four boys last week gained silver in the team event, and the girls also gained silver, missing out on first place by an agonising 1 point! I am so proud of all of the children, and their positive, more-than-just-me attitudes. They have been a pleasure to be with over the last 3 weeks and their behaviour has been a credit to the school. I would also like to thank all parents for their support. (Mrs Holmes)

Fortnite online safety song

The National Online Safety has teamed up with MusicAlternative to launch a Fortnite online safety song for schools to share.

The song encourages parents and carers to "stay switched on" to online dangers when their children are playing Fortnite. We hope you love this video just as much as we do!

www.twitter.com/natonlinesafety/status/1052469311388958720

Tag Rugby

Last week the Tag Rugby team played their first 2 matches against St John Fisher. On a very blustery Friday night after school, we played some excellent running rugby, but lost 9-5 and 7-5 respectively. Some children were playing their first ever game of Tag Rugby, so did really well to learn the game and represent the school in such a short space of time. The next match is against Cavendish Close Junior School on Monday 22 October. Please note there is no Tag Rugby training next Thursday, due to the Parents' Meetings that afternoon.

School Council present cheque to Heartlink



School Council representative Charlotte Foster from Hope Class presented a cheque for almost **£400** to Heartlink. The children raised the funds by running competitions and initiatives such as Christmas Jumper day. The children chose to support Heartlink as they supported Charlotte through lots of operations when she was younger.

Curriculum Information

At CJS we pride ourselves on having a broad, balanced curriculum across the whole range of National Curriculum subjects. We are always seeking ways of updating our curriculum, ensuring that it inspires, promotes enjoyment and challenges our learners.

This year, staff are working on some changes to our English Curriculum, ensuring that the high-quality texts we are using are inspiring, challenging and relevant to both boys and girls. We will be using a range of fiction, non-fiction and film texts in all year groups. Some texts will remain the same as previous years, whilst some will be changed during this academic year. During lessons, pupils will continue to work on: reading comprehension; writing across a range of genres; oracy; and spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG). Regularly reading at home (including Bug Club), learning spellings and English homework will continue to support the learning for all year groups. We thank parents for your support in this.

Since many of our themes link directly to the English Curriculum, we may have to make adjustments to some of our themes and other subjects taught at CJS. Therefore, you may see some changes to the information we share with you on the school website

whilst we make the necessary tweaks to our curriculum. We aim to ensure that learners have the opportunity to ask challenging questions about their curriculum, are able to have elements of choice in their learning and know how to work independently or collaboratively.

The staff are very excited about the changes and will be designing the curriculum themselves over the coming months. Our next whole school theme for Autumn 2 is "Nose in a Book" which is a perfect platform to launch our new curriculum. This overview is on the [website](#), under Our Curriculum and a copy will be available at Parents' Meetings next week.

If you have any questions about our curriculum, you can speak to Mr Emery during Parents' Meetings or contact Miss Fogg, who leads Teaching, Learning and Curriculum across the school.

STEM competition

Here at CJS we are always looking for new ideas to promote STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). You can find out more about STEM here <https://www.stem.org.uk/>

We would like to invite all of our pupils to take part in a competition promoted by STEM, who say:

"The competition runs until the 28th October and is open to all 5-11 year olds. They just need to send in their single stage idea for the Rube Goldberg as a picture or video uploaded to our website- www.kidsinventstuff.com
We also have a video with some inspiration <https://youtu.be/aPsRSWtBows>
And a worksheet with a practical activity for teachers and parents <https://kidsinventstuff.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/KIS-Rube-Goldberg-Challenge-Worksheet-V1.pdf> "

Our STEM Leader is Mrs Price, who is hoping that many of our learners take the opportunity to upload their ideas to enter the

competition. This looks like a great project to get involved for our keen Scientists, Technologists, Engineers and Mathematicians.

Volleyball Festival



On Tuesday morning, Mrs Spelman had the pleasure of taking 6 Y6 pupils to a Sitting Volleyball Festival, arranged by Derby City School Sport Partnership at the Derby Arena.

Despite this being the first time any of the group had played the game, they picked up the rules quickly and showed great skill and teamwork. They competed well against other mixed schools, their best score being 29-32 to CJS. They represented our school superbly and made Mrs Spelman very proud.

Cycle Permits

A reminder that all children who cycle to school and leave their bike on school premises require a new cycle permit each year, as capacity to store bikes on school premises is limited. Cycle permit applications have been given out to several children and can also be collected from the school office.

Please update your details with the school office

It is important that we have up to date contact details for all parents, so we can contact you in an emergency, but also so we can ensure that you receive information about events, trips and clubs. Please contact the school office to update your address, phone number or email address if they have changed recently.