

Chellaston Junior School

Weekly Bulletin



Friday, 7 December 2018

The Week Ahead

Tuesday - Y3 Christmas Performance

Thursday - CJS Christmas Lunch and Christmas Discos

Friday afternoon – Y6 VE Party

Christmas Discos – Thursday 13 December

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas at CJS! A reminder that tickets for Christmas discos are now available. Once again there will be three discos in one evening, Disco 1 (4.30 – 5.30), Disco 2 (5.45 – 6.45) and Disco 3 (7.00 to 8.00). Tickets will be strictly limited to 150 per disco and you can only book one ticket per child. We suggest that friends liaise with each other and agree which disco they would like to attend. Please pay on ParentPay, ensuring that you choose the right disco and your tickets will be sent to your child's classroom.

Christmas Table Top Decoration Competition

We're inviting the children to make table decorations which will be displayed on the tables at our special Christmas Lunch on Thursday 13 December. Entries should be brought into school on 12th December (no earlier please) when they will be judged and prizes will be awarded for the best entries.

Y3 Christmas Performance

Y3 perform *Jesus' Christmas Party* on Tuesday 11 December 2018 at 10.45am and 2.30pm. Please be aware that both performances are now sold out! Please note that parents who are attending the

afternoon will be able to take Y3 children and older siblings home straight after the performance.

Thank you to the PTFA

As you may be aware, the PTFA have been working very hard, organising events such as the Christmas Fayre and Christmas Discos. The Christmas Fayre raised a whopping £2492.83! An example of how the funds raised benefit the children is the new football boots that the PTFA have just paid for! We're always looking for new members, so please contact our Deputy Headteacher, Miss Fogg, if you would like to offer any help and be part of our wonderful PTFA.

"Wear something Christmassy"

On Friday 21st December we want to be extra festive, so children are asked to wear something Christmassy. This may be a Christmas jumper, or it may be a Santa hat or tinsel. Please note that parents are not expected to go out and buy **buy anything new for this fun day**. We ask for a 50p donation towards our school council's chosen charity this year - BrainTumour UK.

Christmas Handwriting Competition

Each year CJS pupils take part in a handwriting competition organised by the Churches of Chellaston. All classes participated to write a verse of a Christmas poem or carol. The class judged as having the best handwriting was Dovedale. They were presented with a trophy. Well done!

Congratulations to Sienna (Dovedale) whose writing will be printed in the Parish Magazine. Well done also to Lily (Ashbourne), Gracie (Chatsworth), Rhiannon (Hartington) and Jack T (Hope) who will have their work printed on Carol Sheets for the Christmas Carol Service at St Peter's Church.

Y5 Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)

Please see the [letter](#) to all Y5 parents regarding SRE, which Y5 will be learning about in the Spring Term.

Y5 African Drumming

Y5 will once again have the opportunity in January to take part in an African Drumming Workshop in January. The cost is just £2.50 per child and is now on ParentPay. See more information on our [website](#).

Y5 Harry Potter Theme Day – Thursday 20 December

The children in Y5 seem to be completely immersed in our new Harry Potter theme this half term. We hope to celebrate our learning journey with Harry, Ron, Hermione, Dumbledore and Hagrid (to name but a few characters!) on the last Thursday of term (20 December).

We have some 'magical' lessons planned during sessions in the morning and hope to watch Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone in the afternoon.

We also hope the children can wear something a little bit special too! Robes, magical hats and wands are brilliant but please use or recycle costumes/outfits rather than spending a fortune on new costumes.

Thank you for your support in making this half term so spell-binding! - The Y5 Team

Inset Days Summer/Autumn 2019

We thought it would be useful to let parents know of the inset days that have been planned for next year so far. There will be inset days on Thursday 5 and Friday 6 September 2019; please note school is closed to pupils on these days. The new school year for pupils starts on Monday 9 September 2019. Also please note that next year the last days of term will be Thursday 19 December 2019. We will release a full schedule of inset days and holiday dates in the new year.

Road Safety

We advise parents that we may not have a school crossing patrol every day in the short term. Derby City Council have contacted us and said they will do their best, but cannot guarantee that a school patrol will be on Maple Drive. Therefore we ask that parents and children are extra vigilant. We also remind parents about not using the entrance to CJS as a turning circle as this is a danger to pupils, staff and visitors alike.

Please return Football Kit

Mr Gadsby asks that any borrowed Football kit or any other sports kit be returned to school as soon as possible so it can be used by others who may need it!

Cheerleading Academy at Chellaston Community Centre

Premier will be running a Cheerleading Academy starting 7 Jan for 13 weeks. The cost is £4.50 per session. For more information visit www.premier-education.com.

After school clubs

Please remember that some after school clubs finish before the end of term. It was the final week of Netball this week; Art Club, Soccer Stars and Girls Wildcats Football finish w/c 10 December.

Football Festival

On Wednesday 5th December, we took 10 very excited girls to the Y3/4 Football Festival at Willows. After a warm up with Derby County Community Trust we kicked off our campaign. The girls did spectacularly well throughout the festival, with our best results coming against Lakeside (5-1) and Ashgate (4-1). For many of the girls it was their first experience of competitive football and the progress they made in their movement and passing was huge in such a short space of time. Hopefully we will see much more from the girls as they move on through CJS!