

Parent Bulletin 1

2019/2020 – Friday 13 September 2019

Welcome

A very warm welcome back to all our pupils, families, staff and governors. I hope everyone has been able to spend time with their families and enjoyed a relaxing summer break. A special welcome to all our new Year 3 children and those who have joined us in other year groups. Year 3 have settled in really well, answering brilliantly in assembly, behaving well, working hard and showing excellent manners around school. The first week back is always a special one, with a brand new year ahead to look forward to: a fresh start for everyone.

As Head of School, I am very lucky to be supported by a hard-working, caring and professional team. We have been joined this term by Miss Busby (Y6 Newtown) and Miss Usher (Y5 Hartington). We hope that they enjoy their time at CJS. Teamwork is one of the reasons that CJS is such a fantastic place to work. We are very lucky to have Mrs Price as our Deputy Head of School this year and wish her all the best in her new role.

In each Year Group we have Team Leaders, who you can contact to discuss any issues:

Year 3 – Miss Ballington (Assistant Head)

Year 4 - Mrs Stephenson (Assistant Head)

Year 5 – Mrs Price (Deputy Head of School)

Year 6 – Mr Beeston (Assistant Head)

Communication is key

We're doing our best to reduce the amount of paper that we use as a school. Therefore, the majority of our communication with parents about all things CJS is done by email or text rather than traditional letters. **We ask that all parents provide us with a current email address and mobile phone number. Please contact the school office to update us.** From next week, the weekly bulletin will be sent via email only.

We are a large and busy school, with lots going on every week. The weekly bulletin is where you will find out about everything, from non-uniform days and school discos to parents' meetings and school trips, so please take a little time to read it each week. We put a lot of effort into putting it together for you.

Our new look website will be launching soon. Following feedback from parents, we will be putting important dates, school dinner menus and the weekly bulletin on the front page of the new site so they are more easily accessible.

IMPORTANT - Flu immunisations

All children at CJS are eligible to receive a free flu immunisation. The NHS Flu team will be in school to administer these on Wednesday 16 October. **However, all parents who would like their child to receive the immunisation must complete an online NHS consent form.** All the details can be found [here](#) on our website.

Parent Pay

All the Year 3 children and any new children across the school should now have received the details of how to use ParentPay. If any parents have any problems with ParentPay, please get in touch.

End of the Day Routines and Safety

At the end of the school day, we ask parents to collect children ON THE PLAYGROUND. If parents haven't arrived after a few minutes, the children are asked to wait in the "Target Area" in the middle of the playground, until they see an adult who is there to collect them. Children are instructed NOT to wander outside the school gates to look for parents. If any child in Y3 and 4 is to be collected by an older sibling, we ask that this is someone of secondary school age. Some Y5/6 parents give their child permission to walk home on their own. Please ensure that you have completed the parental consent form if your child is walking home without adult supervision.

We ask that parents do not bring dogs on to the school playground.

Please park considerately

The school is sometimes contacted by our neighbours to express concerns about parking. On occasions, parents do park in areas that are reserved for residents only. I ask all parents to refrain from parking across drives or in areas designated for residents only. We also ask that parents don't park on the yellow zig-zags or in any of the school entrances. Thank you for your co-operation.

School Uniform

Thank you to all the parents who support the school by ensuring their child wears the correct uniform. The children certainly do look very smart! May I remind parents about the following school uniform information: Shoes - school uniform is for plain, black school shoes. A reminder that training shoes are not school uniform. Hair – smart haircuts are promoted at CJS. Any shaved patterns or part-shaved/longer hair combinations are not considered as appropriate for school. A reminder to girls that plain hair bands or bobbles in school colours are required. Jo-Jo bows, unicorn and cat-ear headbands and other bright hair accessories are not allowed. Nail Varnish – nail varnish of any description is not allowed. Earrings – any jewellery is not encouraged. However, the only earring allowed is one/one set of small, studs. Large earrings or nose rings are not permitted. Any child wearing an earring to school must either take the earring out or tape up the earring when doing PE/Games for health and safety reasons. Earrings must be taken out for swimming lessons.

Medical Needs

The school keeps a comprehensive record of all the medical needs in the school. This is circulated to all relevant staff and treated in strict confidence. If any parent feels that the school are not fully aware of your child's medical needs, then please call at the school office and ask to speak with Mrs Daintith, our Welfare Officer.

Y5 and Y6 Educational Visits – payment and consent needed by 20 September please!

Y5 are going to Eyam on 24 and 25 September. All the information that you need is [here](#) on our website.

Y6 are off to the Whistlestop Centre at Matlock between 27 September and 4 October. Again all the information is [here](#) on our website.

We need parent helpers for both of the trips so if you are able to help, please let your child's class teacher know.

Can we please have your payment and consent for these trip via ParentPay by Friday 20 September. Thank you for your support.

We are always short of parent helpers, so if you feel you can help with any trips in any year group, we look forward to hearing from you.

Y4 Swimming

Chatsworth and Foremark classes start swimming lessons at Repton School next Friday, 20 September. The relevant letters have been sent out to pupils. These two classes will swim up to February half term.

Y4 Hot Shots Band

Glossop and Duffield classes start their class music lessons next Wednesday, 18 September. During the afternoon, each class will have a lesson with several qualified music teachers, under the leadership of Hot House Music. After February half term, swimming and music swap over for Year 4.

Clubs

After-school clubs will begin w/c 23 September. A complete list is [here](#).

One of our new club providers, [Clay Creators](#), will be coming into school to give a demonstration during Assembly on Tuesday.

There are changes in how some clubs can be booked – all clubs provided by SoccerStars (Soccerstars and Wildcats) Premier (Gymnastics and Dodgeball) and Clay Creators will now need to be booked directly with the providers. You can book those here:

Soccerstars

<https://soccerstarsuk.co.uk/courses/after-school-clubs/>

Premier

<https://family.premier-education.com/courses/venue/chellaston-junior-school/id/5784>

Clay Creators

<https://booking.claycreators.com/bookings/course-info/446>

Hot House Music Club and Hot House Ukulele Club can now be booked on ParentPay.

Y6 – National Child Measurement Programme

NHS staff will be in school on **Thursday 3 October**, as part of the National Child Measurement Programme. This is only for Y6 pupils. If you have any queries or wish to withdraw your child from the programme, please call 03001234586 option 1, option 9.

School Ambassadors

In the next few weeks, we will be launching some exciting opportunities for children to be School Ambassadors. Information will be shared with children on Monday 23 September in assembly. Children will then be able to apply for a School Ambassador role which includes: School Council (Mrs Collins and Mrs A Richardson), Sports Council (Mr Gadsby), Mini Leaders (Miss McGinty) and Eco Warriors (Miss Usher and Mrs Edwards). We already have Digi Leaders who are doing a fantastic job!

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Parents are invited to our coffee morning on Friday 27 September in the school hall at 9.00-9.45 to support this worthwhile charity. If any parent or pupils would like to bake cakes, they are very welcome. Please note that there are some pupils with nut allergies and therefore the school is a NUT FREE zone. Please let the school office know if you would like to bake any cakes. We will have a cake sale for the pupils at break time on that day. Thank you for your support.

Cleaner and Mid-day Supervisor Job vacancies

We currently have a number of job vacancies. We are looking for a cleaner, 12.5 hours per week (3.45pm - 6.15pm), Monday to Friday during term time plus one week during the Summer Holidays. Salary £5,400.12.

We are also looking for a number of Mid-day Supervisors to join our team looking after the children over lunch times. Monday to Friday, (11.50am -1.35pm) term time plus 5 inset days. Salary £3780.12.

We are also looking for relief positions for these roles.

Please contact the school office if you are interested in either of these roles.

Bringing Bikes to School

A reminder that parents wishing their child to ride to school on a bike, need to complete a cycle permit available from the office or on the [website](#). Scooters are not allowed. Parents with younger children are asked to ensure that children do not ride around the school playground on scooters at the end of the school day. Any child not following the rules for the safe use of bikes will not be allowed to bring their bike to school. Children who had a cycle permit last year will need to have a new one for this year.

Five Ways to Wellbeing

This half-term, all staff and pupils will be focusing on Five Ways to Wellbeing in assemblies. We will be learning more about Mental Health and Wellbeing throughout the year.

#HelloYellow

Just a heads up that we will be supporting #HelloYellow on Thursday 10 October. This is promoted by Young Minds in support of World Mental Health Day. This will be a non-uniform day to raise money and awareness by wearing a splash of something yellow.

A is for Attitude!



In assemblies this week, we have been talking about how our attitude and mindset can be a choice we make every day. You might find it interesting to look at this picture with your child to find out what we have learned.

I apologise that the first bulletin is so lengthy. However, I hope you find the information useful. We will continue to upload a weekly bulletin each Friday, as we did last term. I look forward to working in partnership with all our parents as we encourage and support our children to be the very best they can.

Miss Fogg

Head of School