



Next Week

Monday 16th March

9.00-10:30am – Aladdin performance to Y3/5

2.00-3.00pm – Aladdin community performance.

7.00-8.00pm – Aladdin

Tuesday 17th March

9.00-10.30am – Aladdin performance to Y4/6

10.00am-12.00pm – Basketball Plus, Willow Sports Centre

1.00-3.00pm – Y5/6 Girls' Football Festival, Willow Sports Centre

7.00-8.00pm - Aladdin

Wednesday 18th March

12.15 – Year 5 Parents' Lunch

Thursday 19th March

1.15-7.00pm – Y3&5 Parents' Evenings

Friday 20th March

2.00-3.00pm – 3k Fun Run, Moorways

Looking Ahead

Tuesday 24th March

Castleton & Bakewell to the Space Centre

Wednesday 25th March

12.15 – Year 5 Parents' Lunch

Thursday 26th March

Dovedale & Hartington to the Space Centre

1.15-7.00pm – Y4&6 Parents' Evenings

Year 3 Reading with Parents

Parents of Year 3 children are invited in to school on the following days and times to sit and read the Book Festival Book Awards books with their children and to talk to their children about which is their favourite book :

Tissington - 3pm - 3.30pm pm on Monday 23rd March

Riber - 3pm - 3.30pm on Tuesday 24th March

Cromford - 3pm - 3.30pm on Wednesday 25th March

Ashbourne - 3pm - 3.30pm on Thursday 26th March

Coronavirus

Just to let parents know that we are continuing to take our lead from the government and DfE advice regarding coronavirus. If the school is told to close, we will have a strategy in place to try to ensure that you have work for your child to complete during the closure. This may take the form of online updates from teachers on the website and via Class Dojo.

We are not cancelling visits which are currently arranged but we are, naturally, avoiding booking new visits at this stage.

For now, the one action we can take is to cancel all assemblies as they involve the gathering of 500 or more people. We will let you know when we are re-instating these.

Please bear with us in these very unusual times.

Big Pedal and Danny Butler Visit

This year we have once again signed up to the Sustrans Big Pedal (22nd April – 5th May). The challenge encourages children (and their parents) to walk or cycle to school and use human power for their journey to school. To help promote and support this challenge, Cycle Derby and Danny Butler have teamed up to inspire children to get out on their bikes more. Danny's accolades include being 5x British Men's Elite Champion and European Champion; he will visit CJS on Monday afternoon to showcase his skills. Having seen him in action at other schools recently, we are in for a real treat! For more information, please visit www.extrememountainbikeshow.co.uk or www.bigpedal.org.uk

PTFA BINGO NIGHT

Thank you to all who attended the PTFA Bingo evening last week. It was such a positive and great night, with lots of fun, laughter and serious Bingo playing. It was “Dobbers out” and “Eyes down” as we definitely had a “full house” of people, all vying to win a whole collection of prizes. It was also great to see so many families attending and playing together (ranging from the very young to the elderly – we will leave that one there!)

Thanks to all, I am proud to announce that we raised a massive and brilliant £429 from the evening. All the proceeds made will crucially help fund projects across the school (we will keep all parents informed of how this money has been used!)

Finally, a huge thank you to the PTFA for their help and organisation and a special thank you to Bill for lending us his electronic Bingo machine (what a great idea for a future staff meeting!!!)

Look out for details of future PTFA events and meetings, including a Quiz night in the summer term (all parents very welcome!)

Mr S Beeston
(Assistant Head Teacher and PTFA Link)

Volunteers Wanted – Relationships and Health Education

In September this year, teaching of Relationships and Health Education becomes statutory in schools in England. We are in the process of updating our Relationships and Health Education policy (which includes Sex Education) in preparation for this. If you would like to be part of a working party to share your thoughts and ideas we'd be pleased to hear from you. If you are interested, please email the office and we will let you know details of when the meeting will take place. As we already have around half a dozen members of the working party, we're looking for around 4 more parents to get involved.

Sports Relief

Our Sports Council have been busy this week organising activities for Sports Relief 2020. They decided the best way to get everyone moving was to create activity stations with 2 minute challenges around the playground and field. Some of these activities included skipping, hula-hooping, passing, running and shooting. Personal challenges and team challenges



hopefully allowed all the children to achieve their best in whatever activity they took part in. Our Y5 and Y6 assembly looked

at Cameron's Story, his experiences of child homelessness and his campaign for 'Change It' – a project funded by Sports Relief.

Classes have spent Thursday and Friday of this week taking part in the challenges – thank you to our Sports Council for setting these up!

If you wish to make a donation then please visit www.sportsrelief.com or drop some change into one of the buckets at the end of the school day. If you want to listen to this year's song <https://youtu.be/JO8MwaYu4KM>

Eco-Warriors Recent Efforts

Our Eco-Warriors have been hard at work, continuing to spread the “reduce, re-use, recycle”e message. This week, 4 bags of empty crisp packets were sent to Betty's Farm Shop in Willington for recycling.

Thank you to all our Eco-Warriors for their dedication and noble efforts in making a difference to our planet.



3 of our Eco-Warriors carried out the RSPB Birdwatch. They saw pigeons, robins, blue tits, great tits, crows and chaffinches. Not a huge number of birds or varieties but it gives us a base line. We hope to be able to put up some nest boxes soon and maybe grow some fruit, veg and flowers to hopefully attract more birds, it will be interesting to repeat the event in 2021 and see if this makes a difference.

Race for Life (Schools) – Friday 3rd April



On the last day of this term we hope to hold a Race for Life to support Cancer Research. Our Student and Sports Council are currently working hard to organise the event. We want

the event to be a huge success and hope to announce more details soon so please bear with us as we finalise the details. More information will be announced in future newsletters, however, further information can be found here:

www.raceforlife.cancerresearchuk.org/schools

PE Kit

Another reminder to parents to please send their children in with their PE and Games kits. Whilst school do have some kit available to borrow this should not be relied upon as a substitute for providing your child with their own. PE kit does not have to have the school badge on, children just need a white T-shirt, black shorts, joggers, fleece type top, pumps and trainers.

A Big Thank You!

A big thank you from all the teachers and staff at CJS to Tyrone and Keisha for their very kind gift of flowers. As part of the "Be Kind" awareness they brought in a bunch of flowers for every teacher and many other members of staff too – a lovely gesture that certainly cheered us all up and reminded us of the importance of being kind.