



CJS NEWS

Weekly news from Christchurch Junior School

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THE BEST FOR ALL—THE BEST FROM ALL

Dear Parents / Carers

I wonder if, like me, you are counting the sleeps between now and 8th March! I am delighted that we will have the whole school back together and cannot wait to see the smiling faces of your children as we welcome them back. As always, the safety of your children remains our priority and staggered timings are recorded below with further details to be sent next week about other measures we will take. These will be broadly similar to the arrangements put in place for September 2020.

Thank you so much for your patience and positivity this term. Nobody wanted to be in this position and together we have put in place a system that has supported your children in continuing to learn. We could not have done this without your support—thank you.

STAGGERED TIMINGS (for 8th March onwards)

Please note: some timings are different for Year 3 than they were previously.

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Classes	Drop off	Pick up
3SC/3BB/4SF/4VD/5GW/5FL/6JW/6DB	8:30	2:55
3GF/3DH/4AA/4CC/5KL/5EY/6AM/6AB	8:45	3:10

Details of where to drop off and collect from will be in the letter next week, but there are no changes to the previous arrangements.

WORLD BOOK DAY—4TH MARCH

This year, we will not have the whole school present for WBD and the joys of dressing up as a book character will sadly be missed. However, children at home and in school will be able to listen in as various members of staff will be reading aloud from their favourite books. The live stream options will be added to the Google Classroom on Thursday. Children will then be able to choose which member of staff and story they listen to.


World Book Day vouchers will be distributed to children in the week beginning 8th March.

PREPARING TO RETURN

Please talk to your children positively about the return to school, reminding them of the following:

- They will be back with their peers and classmates, rekindling relationships.
- They will have the face-to-face familiarity of adults that they know well, and please reassure them that the staff are very excited to see them again (and not through a computer screen!).
- Children will be able to celebrate their learning that has taken place at home (and in school for some).
- Particular consideration will be given to nurturing children and supporting their wellbeing.
- Where there are gaps in learning, staff at CJS will work with your children to support them in catching up.
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You may like to visit the linked website which has some excellent resources to support parents / carers: <https://www.barnardos.org.uk/see-hear-respond-support-hub>



[See, Hear, Respond Support Hub | Barnardo's](#)
www.barnardos.org.uk

We're living in extraordinary times right now, and it can feel overwhelming. We've collected resources on different topics that are affecting people right now.

SCIENCE CLUB

You will have received a letter today about a science club which your child can take part in. Thank you to Miss Ellis for making this exciting opportunity available. I urge you to get your child involved.

HOT SCHOOL MEALS

You have received details about how to order school meals for the week beginning 8th March. The menu is the WEEK ONE menu. Please order by midnight on Tuesday 2nd March.

Please do follow our school on Twitter for regular updates: @CJSDorset

