



CJS NEWS

Weekly news from Christchurch Junior School

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THE BEST FOR ALL—THE BEST FROM ALL

Dear Parents / Carers

It has been a fabulous week in school with one of the highlights being a virtual author visit on Tuesday afternoon. Jenny Pearson, who wrote *The Super Miraculous Journey of Freddie Yates*, spent an hour in our classrooms, talking to our children about being a writer, how she works with a team of people, reminding our children that it is okay to find some tasks difficult and that they must always persevere. It was an inspiring afternoon in which she somehow convinced the children that I would dance for them in an assembly, wearing something gold and sparkly... Fortunately, she said she wanted to be present for this, so we are hopeful she will come and visit at some point in the future! We tweeted about this from our @CJSDorset Twitter account and would love you to add your children's comments.

Our Year 3 children experienced a theatre visit to school yesterday, where the Ancient Egyptians were brought back to life! This was a great day and the children learnt an incredible amount. Have a good weekend.

SR Fuller

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

We completely understand that purchasing uniform is tricky at the moment. Our second hand uniform shop is open for emergency requests ONLY. Please request availability of items via email only to christchurchuniform@gmail.com. The shop is planning to open once shops are permitted to re-open and further details will follow. If you can wait until mid-April, then please do so.

Donations are being accepted as part of your daily exercise walk by placing items in the school donation box outside Portfield Hall.



RED NOSE DAY

Your children really did get into the Comic Relief spirit today! The school was awash with the colour red and we noticed a number of young people with super powers. On Monday, Mr Fuller led assembly where the importance of this charity was discussed, alongside their individual ability to make a difference to others. Marcus Rashford was held up as an example of someone who has worked to support others: he forced the government into ensuring that children across our society don't go to bed hungry. Your children have been challenged to make a difference to the school environment: each week a different class will take responsibility for litter picking around the site. This is an important way for us to instil social responsibility in the children of our community.



CELEBRATION AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Chloe Walsh in Year 4 for her Brownie Award is raising money for The Dorset Children's Foundation, by completing a sponsored Skip Good luck

A ROAD SAFETY MESSAGE

During lockdown, the roads have been a lot quieter than usual. As the school run starts again, we want to keep all children safe and well as they travel to school. Over the last few months, there have been less vehicles on the road. We anticipate the roads will become busier when schools reopen fully, so now may be a good opportunity to remind your child about the importance of being aware of their safety, however they are using the road (as a pedestrian, cyclist, on a scooter or as a passenger). This is especially important if they are beginning to make this journey independently.

BREAK THE RULES FOR APRIL FOOLS

On Thursday 1st April, your children are invited to come to school in 'Break the rules' mufti. This event is being held by our PTFA to raise money to complete our installation of playground gym equipment.

How does it work? Children pay 50 pence for each rule they break. The PTFA flyer explains the rules. This will be a lot of fun!

When we collect money for charities, including our own PTFA, we do so as safely as possible. Children only handle their own cash. We are looking at ways to make the process more accessible, including use of electronic payments for those who prefer. While this may not be a method we can use on 1st April, we are working towards it and will keep you updated.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Parent Consultations (Virtual)

Thursday 25 March 2021 5:00pm-7:30pm

Tuesday 30 March 2021 3:30pm –6:00pm

Y5 Treehouse Theatre visit 26 March 2021 WWII Experience

PTFA Break the Rules Day Thursday 1 April 2021

Friday 2 April 2021 - Sunday 18 April 2021 Easter Holidays

Christchurch Junior School PTEA

BREAK the RULES DAY



Rules to be broken include:

You must NOT

1. Wear pyjamas
2. Wear odd socks
3. Have crazy or coloured hair
4. Wear a hat
5. Wear Football shirts
6. Have a tattoo or Nail varnish
7. Wear your own clothes

Here's how it works:

When?

Thursday 1st April 2020



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Pay 50p for every rule you would like to break, you decide how many!

Funds raised will go towards the Outdoor Fitness Equipment for the Trim Trail