



## CJS NEWS

Weekly news from Christchurch Junior School

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### THE BEST FOR ALL—THE BEST FROM ALL

Dear Parents / Carers

What a great time we had yesterday, celebrating World Book Day 2022! We started the day with an assembly: I began by reading to the children from the first Harry Potter novel; author Jenny Pearson had recorded a message for our CJS pupils which was shared with the children; finally, Albus Dumbledore himself bid the children farewell.

After lunchtime registration, staff across the school swapped classrooms and read to children. This went down very well indeed.

Please enjoy watching our Jenny Pearson video by using this link: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xyUHOPeAby57He8pbZwxFx21mpm4MmKr/view?usp=sharing> . It is important to remember that Jenny is an author—her job is to, literally, make things up to entertain. So you must ignore anything she says about me which doesn't sound quite right...

*SR Fuller*



## UKRAINE APPEAL

The conflict in Ukraine has received worldwide attention in recent days. In Monday's assembly I sensitively discussed elements of the situation, giving some key information and helping the children better understand what is happening. In these types of situation, adults and children alike can feel helpless. However, being moved to action is often a way to regain some control.

Community leaders at Christchurch Baptist Church (CBC) have brought to my attention the story of Karol Swiacki, who is organising at least three lorries to take physical resources to the Polish/Ukrainian border at Przemysl to meet the need of refugees crossing there. This is being organised via Dorset Polish Centre who have been gifted the use of a warehouse near Castlepoint.

CBC has created a much-needed emergency partnership with Dorset Polish Centre to become the Christchurch collection point for humanitarian aid to support those fleeing the conflict in Ukraine. As you will have seen from news reports, they are already reporting that over one million civilians have fled Ukraine with many more expected to be displaced.

From 1 March - 7 March, 9am-12noon, 51 Bargates will be open so that members of our community can drop donations. Alternatively, collection boxes will also be placed outside the front door of our school for you to use as a drop off location, if more convenient. The collection boxes at CJS will be available until the end of Monday 7 March.

A flyer, which gives details of the types of items that are required, was sent earlier this week via Arbor. If you feel able, please involve your child in a discussion about this process, helping them understand how important it is and guiding them to recognise that they are making a positive contribution.

## ANXIETY WORKSHOP

Thank you to all those who attended our Anxiety Workshop yesterday, delivered by Mrs Cowling. This was a very successful morning with the attendees identifying a range of benefits (quotes):

- "Being able to meet with other parents, face to face, who are in similar situations."
- "Understanding the physiology."
- "Well-researched medical content."
- "Experienced presenter."
- "Learning more about the physical aspects of anxiety and coping mechanisms."
- "Reassurance that anxiety is normal."

A big 'thank you' to Mrs Cowling for your preparation and delivery of this workshop. This workshop was oversubscribed so we will look to put another session in place.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Friday 11 March	Red House Mufti Day
Wednesday 16 March	Blashford Lakes Trip — 3AB & 3MF
Friday 18 March 2022	Red Nose Day—details to follow
Friday 25 March	Blashford Lakes Trip — 3EY & 3SC
Friday 25 March 2022	PTFA Quiz Night—adults only
Tuesday 29 March	Blashford Lakes Trip — 4VD
Wednesday 30 March	Blashford Lakes Trip — 4CC
Thursday 31 March	Blashford Lakes Trip — 4 PG
Friday 1 April	Blashford Lakes Trip — 4SF
Saturday 2 April	Hengistbury Head Beach Clean
Saturday 9 April—Sunday 24 April 2022	Easter Half Term
Monday 25 April 2022	INSET—staff training—no pupils in school

## ATTENDANCE RACE

The winners of the attendance race for w/c 28 February 2022

Year 3 99.3%

Year 4 99.6%

Year 5 98.9%

Year 6 98.2 %

## HOUSE POINT WINNERS

Well done to **Red House** who earned the most house points last term. Your mufti day will be on Friday 11 March.

**Red 271**

Blue 250

Green 263

Yellow 232

## CURRENT VACANCIES AT TWYNHAM LEARNING

<https://www.twynhamlearning.com/187/staff-vacancies>

We are an excellent multi-academy trust to work for and have Twynham Learning employee values that underpin our work together:

Twynham Learning Employee Values	Attributes that support living this value
 Aim high	Ambition for excellence Professionalism
 Keep improving	Humility Championing change
 Don't leave anyone behind	Inclusiveness Positivity
 See the bigger picture	Community-mindedness Being collaborative

VACANCY	SCHOOL	CLOSING DATE
Head of School	The Grange School	09/03/222
Exam Invigilators	Twynham & the Grange Schools	10/03/22
Teaching Assistants	Twynahm School	14/03/22

## THE LITTLE PRINCESS TRUST

On 17 March, Indy in 4PG is having 12 inches of her hair cut off in order to raise funds for the Little Princess Trust. Her hair will also be donated to the Trust who provide real hair wigs free of charge for children who have lost their own hair through cancer. We want to wish Indy every success with the fundraising and also recognise her generosity; this is such a kind thing to do. Well done Indy!



Donations can be made at our school office before 17 March.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PTFA

The PTFA are pleased to be hosting a Quiz Night in the Old Hall on 25 March. An evening of fun and healthy competition for all! Please get some friends together for tables of 8; a licensed bar is available all evening.

Email [ptfa@cjsdorset.org](mailto:ptfa@cjsdorset.org) to reserve your table for just £20 and secure your participation.

A poster for a Quiz Night event. The text is written in a white, hand-drawn font on a dark background. The words "QUIZ NIGHT" are the largest and most prominent, with "QUIZ" in orange and "NIGHT" in blue. There are several colorful stars (orange, blue, and red) scattered around the text. Below the main title, it says "Licensed bar & snacks", "Teams of up to 8", and "£20 entry". At the bottom, it says "Book your table by emailing [ptfa@cjsdorset.org](mailto:ptfa@cjsdorset.org)".

Friday 25th March in The  
Old Hall 7pm for 7.30 start

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