



## 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 fabulous term it has been! Thank you for the part you have played in supporting our children to be successful. We have had quite a week of events: year group Christmas parties; the Carol Service at The Priory; the Year 3 Christmas sing-a-long; Year 6 sharing the Nativity stories they wrote with Year 2 pupils. A great deal has been achieved against a backdrop of cold, icy weather!

The children really do deserve some much-needed time out over the next couple of weeks. There is nothing as important as the special family time you can have together this holiday season. Look after one another and stay safe this Christmas.

Merry Christmas to you all!

*SR Fuller*

### THANK YOU MRS COWLING

As announced in the newsletter a few weeks ago, today is Mrs Cowling's final day at CJS before she fully immerses herself in her counselling business. Mrs Cowling has been such a wonderful asset and key staff member for the Christchurch community over the last few years, supporting countless pupils, families and staff to thrive. Whilst we are going to miss her, we know that she will be a great success in the next stage of her journey. Good luck!

### GOODBYE MR SELIG

Mr Selig has been with us for seven weeks in 5MF, although it feels like much longer (in a good way!). Thank you for supporting the children through the interim period between Mr Fidge leaving and our new Year 5 Leader, Miss Dadds, beginning in January.

### LITTLE WANDLE WORKSHOP

At CJS we make use of the DfE-validated phonics and early reading scheme, Little Wandle. Many children across Years 3, 4 and 5 are engaging with these resources and making superb progress as a result. It was great to be able to invite parents into school to hear about our approach, last week. There will be a further opportunity next term, which will be offered to the parents/carers of children using the scheme.

### ATTENDANCE RACE WINNERS

The winners of the attendance race for w/c 12 December 2022

Year 3	3SC	93.1%
Year 4	4JW	89.2%
Year 5	5AM	85.3%
Year 6	6CO	92.8%

The overall winners of the attendance this term are as follows: 3LY, 4JW & 4PG, 5SF and 6DB.

## HOUSE POINT WINNERS

The winners of the house points this term are **GREEN** HOUSE. As winners, their mufti day will be Friday 13 January. Go Greens!

## DR BIKE

Did you benefit from the bike doctors today? Many thanks to Amanda and Hugh from Sustrans who have spent the day checking the safety of all the bikes in the bike shed.

## DONATION

We are indebted to parent, David Cobb, and local business, HPS Christchurch, for donating funds to school for the purchase of sports equipment. Our PE/Games team have opted to improve our resources for handball by using the donation to buy handball goals and equipment. These are items which would have otherwise been out of reach. Thank you!

## BIKE BUS

Last week, staff from Active Travel England joined our Barrack Road Bike Bus and filmed their progress, speaking to a range of children, parents and volunteers about the benefits of this approach. Points ranged from the health benefits, reducing congestion on local roads, staying safe as a larger group of cyclists, and reducing pollution. When the short film is released, we will make it available to our community. Remember, the Barrack Road Bike Bus is in service every Friday morning. Come and join in!

## CELEBRATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

On Sunday 11 December, Mary and Lola in Year 4, and Owen, Mary and Vanessa in year 6 competed in the South Coast Street Dance Competition. Mary and Lola came in first place with their under 12's crew, securing a place in the World Championships in Blackpool next year.

Owen, Mary and Vanessa in Year 6 delivered an amazing performance with their under 16's crew, coming in second place which means they also qualify for the world Championships. Congratulations, what a fantastic achievement!

## CHARITY BAKE SALE

On Friday 9 December, Heidi, Olivia and Summer in 6DB held a bake sale at CJS in aid of Cancer Research, and raised £51.50. Well done for organising this girls, and thank you to all of you who bought cakes to raise funds for this worthy cause.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Tuesday 3 January





First day of term

Friday 13 January

Green House Mufti Day

**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
SENDCo	The Grange School	09/01/2023
Student Services Worker	The Grange School	06/01/2023
Teaching Assistant	Twynham or the Grange School	Ongoing
Teaching Assistant for Care-Experienced Children	Twynham School	13/01/2023

**ANTI-BULLYING WEEK—POSTER/BANNER COMPETITION**

We had lots of fantastic entries in the anti-bullying poster/banner competition. Harry in 5AM won with his striking design and clear message. Well done Harry! This poster is being made into an A1-sized banner which will adorn the fence in our playground, reminding everyone to 'be kind'.



## PARENT CHAMPION FOR SEND

As a school we want to play a role in improving SEND services for our children and young people. We now have an opportunity to provide a confidential space here in school for families of children with SEND through a new Parent Champion project delivered and funded by SENDiass4BCP and Parent Carers Together.

The role of the Parent Champion is to listen and to share knowledge of the services and the networks in your local community that may be of help to you. For more information, please follow the link below to our school website.

<https://www.cjsdorset.org/our-school/sen/parent-champion/>

If you would like to book a session with the Parent Champion, please email: [parentchampion@cjsdorset.org](mailto:parentchampion@cjsdorset.org) to register your expression of interest. This email address is monitored by the school, on behalf of the parent champion.

**SENDiass4BCP**  
Information and support services  
for Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole

**PARENT CARERS TOGETHER**  
Bournemouth Christchurch Poole

**Parent Champion sessions are coming to your school**

Ever felt lost in the world of SEND and wish you had someone to talk to in confidence?  
Would you like to know more about local services in your community?  
Do you need support in finding the right place for advice and information?  
Would support understanding processes and wording be helpful?

**Our Parent Champion is here to listen and find the best way to support you.**

*Any parent/carer can access the drop in if they have worries or concerns that their child may have an additional need that is not being met by existing resources. A diagnosis is not required.*

**All volunteers are subject to enhanced DBS checks**  
<https://www.flaticon.com/authors/google>

**Training**  
Every volunteer completes an induction programme

**Supervision**  
Each volunteer receives ongoing supervision from an experienced supervisor.

**Check your school's website for the next available session and book your space to talk in confidence with a Parent Champion**

## A MESSAGE FROM BCP COUNCIL - SUPPORT WITH THE COST OF LIVING

As the cost of living increases, it is important to be aware of the benefits, payments and support options available to you. There are local and national schemes that can help you with rent, food, energy and more. The government has a national cost of living hub which can be found here :

[Cost of living support - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

BCP Council's "Cost of Living support one-stop-shop" is a dedicated support hub on the council's webpage which details the support available. For further information, please follow the link below.

[Cost of living help \(bcpcouncil.gov.uk\)](http://bcpcouncil.gov.uk)



## A MESSAGE FROM CHRISTCHURCH SCOUT AND GUIDE ASSOCIATION

We are holding our annual Christchurch Gang Show, one of the longest running Gang shows in the UK! Follow the link below to our Facebook page for more information and how to book tickets.

<https://www.facebook.com/GangshowChristchurch>



## A MESSAGE FROM CHRISTCHURCH HISTORICAL SOCIETY



### THE MAKING OF FILMS OF LOCAL INTEREST

with

**Patrick Kemp**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**

**@ 7.30.p.m.**

Christchurch Junior School  
Clarendon Road Christchurch

All are very Welcome  
Members: £2.00. Visitors: £5.00.  
Students: £2.00.

Parking available on Site  
Tea & Coffee in the Break

[www.historychristchurch.org.uk](http://www.historychristchurch.org.uk)

**Enquiries: Ian Watson-Programme Secretary**  
**Tel.No: 07946-346676**

## A MESSAGE FROM LINWOOD TRAINING, SUPPORT AND ADVICE



### **An Introduction to Autism and Neurodiversity for Parents**

*Led by Kate Tuck & Jackie Horne*  
Linwood Training, Support & Advice

This session will provide parents with a basic overview of how Autism and Neurodiversity may present in children and young people.

- Information about Autism and Neurodiversity including the 3 areas of difference.
- Parent input "What I wish I had known".
- Young person input "My experiences".

*Please note that your child does not need a diagnosis to attend this session. No charge to attend.*

Please email ; [jackiehorne@linwood.bournemouth.sch.uk](mailto:jackiehorne@linwood.bournemouth.sch.uk) for session details / availability.



## LINWOOD TRAINING, SUPPORT & ADVICE

Dates for "an Introduction to Autism & Neurodiversity for Parents". Available to book by emailing [jackiehorne@linwood.bournemouth.sch.uk](mailto:jackiehorne@linwood.bournemouth.sch.uk)

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	1.15pm	4pm	The Hamworthy Club, Function Room, Magna Road, Bournemouth, BH21 3AP
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	9.30am	12pm	Somerford Arc, 20 Southey Road, Christchurch, BH23 3EH
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	9.15am	12pm	Springdale First School, Springdale Road, Broadstone, BH18 9BW
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	9.15am	12pm	Kingsleigh Primary School , Hadow Road, Bournemouth, BH10 5HT
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	9.15am	11.45am	St Clements School, St Clements Gardens, Bournemouth, BH1 4DZ
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30am	12pm	Zoom – virtual delivery

Please email Jackie with the following information; • Name & Email address • Whether you require 1 or 2 spaces • Your choice of date / venue – please provide your top 3 Please bear in mind spaces are limited and highly sought after. If you are unable to attend the session booked, please give as much notice as you can.