CVJS News

Friday 11th September 2026

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Weekly Update

It's the end of the first full week back at school and everything is well under way here at CVJS. The children have made themselves at home in their new classrooms and have all got to know their new teachers and teaching assistants. It is good to see that everyone is enjoying the start of the autumn term and that everyone is raring to get engaged into school life again.

All children in Year 6 were given a very important letter on Monday this week. If it hasn't made it home, please do check their bags! The letter explains the secondary transfer process and sets out some key dates for you. Open days and open evenings will be taking place over the next few weeks. If you are planning to take your child to any of these events during the school day, please do pop in or contact us to take an absence request form. Absences will be approved, but it is important for us to know who is out of school for these events so we are aware of where all children are. If you have any questions about the secondary transfer process, please do not hesitate to ask and we will be very happy to help.

Although we have only just started back, and we're not wanting to wish time away, the first big community event of the year is on the horizon. The **CVJS Family Firework Evening** takes place on **Saturday 7th November**, so please do save the date. If you would like to get involved in the organisation of this event, please do let us know. Alternatively, please come along to the PTA AGM and firework planning meeting on Tuesday 29th September. All help would be very gratefully received by everyone here at the school.

Have a great weekend

Mr Bacon

Churchdown Village Junior School
Inspiring Learners

FOREST SCHOOL

5A (Miss Astle's Class) will be doing forest school on **Tuesday 15th September** (afternoon) and **5S (Mr Sisson's Class)** will be doing forest school on **Wednesday 16th September** (afternoon). Please ensure that the children have appropriate (old) clothing for the weather on the day. They will need long sleeves and long trousers in all weathers. This is to ensure that they are covered to protect against the natural hazards outdoors. Wellies, boots or outdoor shoes are also needed. Any clothing that will keep children warm and dry (and that you don't mind getting muddy!) will be perfect. On Forest School days, children should wear their Forest School kit to school in the morning. Any wellies or boots can be brought into school in a bag to change into at lunchtime. Many thanks for your support. If you have any questions, please just ask.

Mr Gue, CVJS Forest School Leader

Forest School

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 29th Sept	PTA AGM 6.45pm All welcome
Thurs 8th Oct	Jonathan's Jungle Y3
Weds 14th Oct	School Photos
Tues 20th Oct	Parents' evening 3.30pm - 7.00pm
Weds 21st Oct	Parents' evening 3.30pm - 7.00pm
Fri 23rd Oct	Flu Immunisation
Fri 23rd Oct	Last day of term 1
Mon 2nd Nov	INSET day for staff only
Tues 3rd Nov	Start of term 2
Sat 7th Nov	CVJS Fireworks 5pm - 7pm

GOLDEN BOOK AWARDS

Every Monday morning, we announce our Golden Book theme of the week and present the awards in assembly on Friday. The theme this week has been:

'DEMONSTRATING OUR HEART VALUES'

RICO HOWE 3G	**STANLEY JOHN 3T**
CHARLIE MOSELEY-KENDALL 3G	**GRACE JERKOVIC 3T**
LUNA GARCIA 4B	**FINLEY BYRNE 4B**
KIT GRIFFITHS 4F	**FINLEY FARRELL 4F**
JOHANNES OTTER 5A	**ROSIE KIDD 5A**
AMARI MITCHELL 5S	**HARRY GYDE 5S**
ISABELLE DENHAM 5C	**IVY SOUTHGATE 6C**
SOPHIE ANSELL 6K	**LUCAS THYER 6K**

SAVE THE DATE!

An early heads up that our annual CVJS Family Firework Evening takes place on Saturday 7th November. We will be sending more information about tickets over the next few week, but for now please do save the date. We do sell out every year, so we will give you plenty of notice about when the tickets do go on sale.

Please keep an eye on your email inboxes for some information about opportunities to sponsor this event.

LOST PROPERTY

We have noticed a large number of school jumpers, cardigans and PE hoodies left in the corridors without owners and, more importantly, without names. Please can we ask that you label **all** of your children's school clothes. This means that we will always be able to reunite clothes with their rightful owners. Many thanks in advance for reducing the amount of lost property that we have in school.

SPORTS NEWS

Well done to the CVJS boys' footballers who took part in the first round of the national ESFA 7-a-side tournament last night. We hosted the event and welcomed four other schools to CVJS. Each team played four matches and the top two from the five teams progress through to the next round of the cup. Our results were as follows:

CVJS 0 Barnwood 0
CVJS 2 Elmbridge 1
CVJS 0 Parton Manor 0
CVJS 1 Brockworth 0

The great news is that CVJS topped the group and move forward to round two of the cup. Well done to all of the boys and a big thank you to Mr Cox and Mr Underwood for running the event and for the great support of parents and families from the sidelines too.

PIANO & VIOLIN LESSONS

A note today from Helen Hatton, one of our peripatetic music teachers, to let you know that her piano and violin lessons will commence in school on Tuesday 15th September and Wednesday 16th September.

VOLUNTEERING IN SCHOOL

We would be delighted to welcome back existing volunteers and invite new volunteers to school to help us in our mission to hear all children read on a regular basis. If you are able to come in to school (at times to suit you), then please do contact the school office in the first instance and they will put you in touch with the class teachers. This support makes a real difference, so we thank you in advance if you are able to help out. We are required to carry out a DBS check on all volunteers, but this is a very easy process - paid for by the school. Please do get in touch if you can help or would like more information. Thank you.