CVJS News

Friday 9th October 2026

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Weekly Update

This week has been a busy week here at CVJS. As well as our regular National Curriculum lessons, we've had Jonathan's Jungle and his amazing creatures in Year 3, we've had Forest School in Year 4, a netball match, a boy's football match and a girls' football match (taking place tonight). Well done to the netballers who won their league match against Parton Manor 14 - 1. Well done to the boys' footballers who drew 1 - 1 in a really close league match with Dinglewell. Finally, good luck to the girls' footballers who are playing after school today against St Mary's. We're all certainly ready for the weekend to put our feet up!

This week, we were also very pleased to be able to welcome this year's new School Councillors. The job of a CVJS School Councillor is to listen to the views of their classmates, to meet with Miss Miller (our School Council leader) and to pass on their class's views and to play an active role in helping us to organise fundraising events and other activities in the school calendar.

Next week is lesson observation week at CVJS. Although I walk the school on a daily basis to see and hear what is happening throughout CVJS, this is a great opportunity for me to observe all classes and to talk to the children about their learning journey. This is a chance to talk about what the children are learning, what they have learned previously that will be helping them now and what they might move on to next. The children are always keen to talk about this and I look forward to hearing about the start to the new academic year in all of the classes.

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 13th October** (afternoon) and **5S (Mr Sisson's Class)** will be doing forest school on **Thursday 15th October** (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

Weds 14th Oct	School Photos
Tues 20th Oct	Parents' evening 3.30pm - 7.00pm
Weds 21st Oct	Parents' evening 3.30pm - 7.00pm
Thurs 22nd Oct	Y4 trip to Chedworth
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
Weds 4th Nov	Y3 Stone Age Day
Thurs 5th Nov	Y3 Stone Age Day
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:

'BEING AN ENTHUSIASTIC LEARNER'

SAMUEL CONWAY 3G	**JUNIPER HOPKIN 3G**
SHAN GUNAPARAN 3T	**AALIYAH HOLMES 3T**
TOBY REYNOLDS 4B	**ELLA BLACK 4B**
ALFIE CATO 4F	**ALBIE FORSYTH 4F**
MICHAIL CHATZAKIS 5A	**AMBER HAMILTON 5A**
TOMMY HASELEY-NEJRUP 5S	**EDITH MACINTOSH 5S**
ARTHUR HILLS 6C	**JEMIMA PRITCHARD 6C**
LOUIE CLARK 6K	**IZZY KINGSTON 6K**

CHILDREN IN NEED

Children in Need takes place on Friday 13th November. This year, our day in school is going to look slightly different! We have been set a challenge by BBC Radio Gloucestershire to host the mid-morning show's presenter Nicky Price. This year's theme is all based around 'Challenging Yourself' and we have been challenged to 'Run for Pudsey' at CVJS.

We were set our challenge live on the radio a few weeks ago and, although we are still awaiting final details regarding the timing on the day, we know that Nicky Price and Pudsey (we hope!) will be joining us for a charity fun run. There is nothing to do for now, but we just wanted to give you the heads up that we will be setting up a fundraising page for our fun run. Our CVJS School Councillors will be involved in the planning of the event and they will be thinking about the distances that we will run and the fancy dress theme that we will be inviting people to wear. Keep an eye out for more information over the coming weeks.

PARENTS EVENINGS

Bookings for our autumn term parents' evenings are now live. These are accessible via the ParentMailPMX system. Our meetings take place on **Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st October**. Meetings with the teachers take place in the hall and are for ten minutes. If you have any difficulty accessing the booking system, please just let us know.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The school photographer will be with us next Wednesday (14th October) to take individual pictures of all of the children - as well as pictures with CVJS siblings, so don't forget to send your children to school in their smartest school uniform and their biggest smiles! If your child has PE on this day, they are very welcome to wear a school uniform to school in the morning and then get changed at lunchtime into their PE kit.

FIREWORK TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE!

As you'll have seen, this year's firework event takes place on Saturday 7th November and ticket sales are now live! As with last year, we are using an online ticket platform. When you purchase yours, you will receive an order and a QR code. All you need to do is bring this along on the night (on your phone) and we will scan you and your family into the event.

About a quarter of the tickets have sold in just one week. This event does sell out every year. We have strict ticket limits and once met, we cannot release any further tickets. The advice, as always, is to grab yours while you can. Once they're gone, they're gone! Get your tickets here:

www.cvjs.org.uk/fireworks