

CJS NEWS

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Belonging - Achieving - Growing

Dear Parents / Carers

As a part of our commitment to keeping our children, family and community safe, all our Twynham Learning schools are undergoing a review of safeguarding. Throughout this process we are looking deeply at the culture for safeguarding as well as the policy and practice. Our approach to safeguarding is to 'prevent, protect and nurture partnerships'. Children are sharing their opinions through a survey being completed in school. We would really appreciate your thoughts, which you can contribute by completing this short questionnaire by 3pm on Friday 27 September. https://forms.office.com/e/0tJUg7ubVH

This week and next, children are being given the opportunity to nominate themselves for the role of School Council representative for their class. They will be provided with a pro forma to share their ideas, and will then present to their class regarding why they are a good candidate (their skills, personality, knowledge) and their initial ideas for improving our school. Two children from each class will be democratically elected; it is, therefore, important that we celebrate with the children who put themselves forward, regardless of outcome. This process is an integral approach to supporting the personal development of our pupils.

Finally, please do read the year groups newsletters which will be released soon, and come along to our year groups information meetings if you can.

SCHOOL GAMES MARK

We have earned the PLATINUM award! The mark is given to schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. Schools that achieve GOLD for a fifth consecutive year are awarded the PLATINUM award. Our PE leader, Mr Foley, and Sports HLTA, Mr Harris, work closely with Dan Moody who leads the Christchurch School Sport Partnership—thank you to them all for making a difference! If you are interested in



learning more about the School Games Mark or the Christchurch School Sport Partnership, please visit their websites: <u>Your School Games - Your School Games</u> and <u>Christchurch SSP - Two Rivers Institute, CPD Training & Support</u>. Our focus at CJS is to give inclusive and equal opportunities to all children interested in participating in sport during their time at our school.

SWIFT STREETS

Portfield Road is a 'swift street', known to be on the migration path of these incredible birds. CJS is participating in a scheme run by the Parks Foundation to halt the decline of these birds; we have had swift boxes and silhouettes installed at the end of the building near Y4/5. Can you spot them?

Swifts pair for life and are 'site-faithful', so if a building has been demolished, renovated, or the gap obstructed or repaired, they must find somewhere new and quickly. Swifts are only here for around three months, two of which are spent raising chicks - so if an alternative site can't be found fast, a whole breeding season will be skipped.

Amazingly, swifts can drink, eat and sleep while 'on the wing' - they rarely touch the ground! They can enter their nesting box at more than 30mph, coming to an immediate stop. Why not find out a little more about these incredible birds: Swift Bird Facts | Apus Apus (rspb.org.uk)



A MESSAGE TO PARENTS/CARERS—UNIFORM UPDATE

We have had a number of queries from parents/carers this week regarding uniform, especially PE kit. We would therefore like to clarify that children **are** permitted to wear the following:

Plain black joggers/tracksuit bottoms, plain black leggings or plain black shorts but **NOT** cycling shorts (unless they are being worn underneath shorts, to make your child feel more comfortable). If you have any questions, please do not

hesitate to contact the school office. Please remember, children must not have logos on these items e.g. no Nike tick, Adidas stripes, football badges etc. Please follow the links below to Stevenson's and Sainsburys who stock these items.

BLACK SHADOW STRIPE SHORTS - Stevensons

Buy Black Football Shorts 2 Pack 4 years | PE kits | Tu (sainsburys.co.uk)

Thank you for your support and for engaging in any discussions, online or face-to-face, respectfully.



DONATIONS FOR WET PLAY/LUNCH

Do you have any card games, board games or puzzles in good condition and with no missing pieces? Would you be willing to donate these to CJS? We are looking to bolster our play and lunch resources for the inevitable wet days that are coming our way! Please drop items to the school office. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE RACE WINNERS

The winners of the attendance race for w/c 16 September

Year 3	3SF	99.6%
Year 4	4AM	99.6%
Year 5	5HH	97.4%
Year 6	6VD	100%

CELEBRATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Jensen in 4LY continues to impress us with his progress in the British Championships. He's had an incredible year, securing 18 podium finishes and 5 trophies. These achievements have positioned him as one of the top racers in the UK, and with these results, he's now able to compete in the "Pro Minibike Class" which reaches speeds of up to 60mph.

This is a fantastic achievement Jensen, we look forward to you sharing future successes.



DATES FOR YOUR

Friday 11 October Year 6 Victorian Day

Friday 11 October Macmillan Coffee Morning

Monday 21 October Parent Consultations (information to follow)

Wednesday 23 October Parent Consultations (information to follow)

Thursday 24 October Last Day of Term

Friday 25 October Staff Training (no pupils to attend)

Monday 4 November Staff Training (no pupils to attend)

Tuesday 5 November First Day of Term

CYCLE TO SCHOOL WEEK 23 - 27 SEPTEMBER



September 23- 27 is National 'Cycle to School Week'. For this, Bikeability is encouraging participants to make a pledge to embrace cycling by swapping a journey to a cycling one or going on a bike ride. By participating you will receive an activity pack and enter a prize draw to win a Squish bike worth £329.99. Click on the link bellow to take part:

Link

In the BCP area, Sustrans is offering an additional prize draw for anyone who emails bcpschools@sustrans.org.uk (before midnight on 4th October 2024) a sentence about their experience of fulfilling their pledge.

The prize? A wonderful book bundle! We hope to see as many of you as possible choosing to cycle....every journey makes a difference!

Also during this week, the **Barrack Road Bike Bus** will be running every morning. Please see the map below for start times and the route. Email BarrackRoadBikeBus@gmail.com for more details and you can also be added to the WhatsApp group where you will be able to track the Bike Bus in real time as the location is shared.



PARENT CHAMPION

As a school we want to play a role in improving SEND services for our children and young people. SENDiass4BCP and Parents Carers Together provide a confidential space here in school for families of children on Send.

Each month a dedicated Parent Champion will hold one session to support families in navigating appropriate local and national services and networks to meet the needs of their children. Time slots will be allocated to individual families on a first come first served basis and are held in confidence during the school day. To enable us to plan ahead for these sessions we are asking parent/carers to email an expression of interest to parentchampion@cjsdorset.org (this address is monitored by the school, on behalf of the parent champion.) Once we have confirmed dates for the sessions to run, we will offer a meeting date and time to all those who have shown an interest.



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	
À	Keep improving	Humility Championing change	
i	Don't leave anyone behind	Inclusiveness Positivity	
	See the bigger picture	Community-mindedness Being collaborative	

VACANCY	SCHOOL	CLOSING DATE
Careers Leader	Twynham TGS	27/09/2024
	Stourfield Infants and Stourfield	
Caretaker	Juniors	20/09/2024
Cleaner	Twynham School	27/09/2024
Cleaning Operative	Poole High School	23/09/2024
Cover Supervisor	Twynham TGS	27/09/2024
Cover Supervisor	Poole High School	04/11/2024
Director of Finance	Twynham Learning Core Services	06/01/2025
Governance Manager	Twynham Learning Core Services	06/01/2025
Human Resources Administrator	Poole High School	30/09/2024
Peripatetic Brass Teacher	Twynham TGS	27/09/2024
SEND Administrator	Twynham TGS	01/10/2024

A MESSAGE FROM CHRISTCHURCH TOWN COUNCIL

We are thrilled to invite you to pitch a project at Christchurch Soup and win up to £1000 with Christchurch Town Council and Christchurch Community Partnership!

Imagine Dragon's Den but the dragons are your friends and family who all vote for the best pitch after their dinner with their empty soup bowls!

This year's theme is youth and children, maybe you'd like to create a community garden or you're fundraising for an educational trip abroad. Whether you're in need of more equipment or you'd like to put on an event, the ideas are endless and we want to hear from you.







OPEN EVENING THURSDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 5-8pm

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER



Join us for our Year 6 Open Evening! Meet our dedicated Twynham School staff, explore our exciting curriculum, both in and outside the classroom, and discover great opportunities to get involved in our vibrant school community. Don't forget to sample delicious food from our school canteen!









At the event you can book to have a tour of the Twynham School site with our student prefects. This is perfect for students to see where they will be studying if they join Twynham.

If you'd like the opportunity to talk with our teachers and school leaders and learn about our curriculum and wider opportunities offered, our Open Evening on 26th September is vital.

Sign up for Tours will launch at our Open Evening

My son has been nurtured and supported over the last five years. Staff really knew him and have gone above and beyond to support him and encouraged him to get involved in leadership opportunities and give back the wider school community.

Yr11 leaver's parent, 2024



Open Evening at: Redvers Road, Christchurch BH23 3AU

Email: office@twynhamschool.com

Web: www.twynhamschool.com Phone: 01202 486237







We can help you find breakfast and after school clubs for your child. Many childcare providers and childminders will take your child to school and collect them at the end of the day, providing a complete wrap-around care service.

Most working parents can claim Tax-Free Childcare to help with costs, whilst your child can complete homework, enjoy sports, or participate in creative activities with their friends. Contact our friendly FIS team for further help.

T. 01202 093131

E. familyinformation@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

W. bcpcouncil.gov.uk/childcare

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