

## Term 1: Important Dates

Date	Activity
18 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term 6
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Inset Day
1 <sup>st</sup> September	Inset Day
2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Inset Day
3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Start of Term 1
30 <sup>th</sup> September	Flu Immunisations
9 <sup>th</sup> October	KS1 Harvest Festival
10 <sup>th</sup> October	EYFS Harvest Festival
23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Inset Day
24 <sup>th</sup> October	Inset Day/End of Term 1
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Start of Term 2

### Home learning opportunities this summer break:

For YR children moving to Y1 and Y1 children moving to Y2, please see the year group newsletters on Y1 and Y2 home pages of our website to find out about the home learning summer activities.

**In addition, why not have a go at the Gloucestershire libraries 'Summer Reading Challenge':** The Summer Reading Challenge which ties in beautifully with our Eco School priorities as it's all about the 'Natural World'. Don't forget to sign up at the local library!! For more information, take a look at the Summer Reading Challenge website; [Summer Reading Challenge](#)



We thank you for your ongoing support and your hugely positive feedback during the year. This year we have raised a huge £21,000 from PFA fundraising events. We have also received a very generous £10,000 from parental contributions which funded a range of learning opportunities, including visits and visitors to school, whole class music ensemble lessons (violin in Y1 and recorders in Y2) and special events, such as activities in Fitness Fortnight and Science week.

We have enjoyed reading your comments from our recent family survey and continue to use feedback from all within our school community (children/families/staff/visitors) to inform our ongoing school improvement planning.

On page 2 are some of the wonderful comments that our children and families have made this term, and some of the actions we intend to take to address the suggestions for ongoing improvement:

Dear families,

I'm not sure where the last year has gone, but what a wonderful and busy year it's been! This time of year is always full of excitement with lots of celebrations and opportunities to plan for new adventures. It is also a wonderful time to reflect on both our success' and our plans for the future. We continue to be very proud of all of our children and their progress during the year, both in their personal and academic development. Our children have achieved exceptionally high outcomes this year across all areas of their learning and development, including 99% of children in Year 1 achieving the phonics screening threshold, which places the school in the 96<sup>th</sup> percentile ranking. It has been a privilege to watch all within our school community achieve 'The wings to fly and the confidence to try'!

This year, we have continued to see significant improvement to our children's exceptional writing skills across all year groups. We have maintained our high standards in phonics, reading and maths and have been excited by the children's passion for learning and acquisition of new knowledge, skills and understanding across all Foundation subjects in our school curriculum. To find out more about our curriculum and key learning objectives for each year group, please do visit our website; [Our CKIS Curriculum](#)



### Staff news:

We would like to wish Miss Moss and her fiancé a wonderful wedding day during the Summer break, and we look forward to welcoming the new Mrs Mansfield back to school in September! We would also like to say farewell and thank you to Mrs Marlowe, one of our Midday supervisors, for all of her support over the last few years.

I would also like to say a huge thank you to all within our school community, specifically to our wonderful and committed Governors and PFA who spend many hours of their own time supporting and fund raising for the school; and to our fabulous staff for their ongoing hard work and commitment.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to thank you all for your ongoing support during the year, we wish you all a relaxing and sun filled summer break. We wish those children moving to new schools and their families all the very best for the future and look forward to seeing everyone else in September.

Have a wonderful Summer!  
Best wishes  
Mrs James and the CKIS team

'The wings to fly, the confidence to try'



**Our children/You said...**

**We will...**

**Communication – sometimes there is too much information sent out and it can be difficult to locate information via Seesaw.**

We recognise that it has been difficult for you to find the most important information. Next year we will be sending fewer community messages and this information will be found instead on the community area of the website. We will send one newsletter a month which will always include the important upcoming dates.

**It would be useful to have a more modernised payment system, rather than using bank transfer.**

We are looking into different options and will provide further information next term.

**Sometimes the front of the school can feel busy and overcrowded at drop off and pick up times. I would like to be able to drop my child/ren in the back playground.**

The road at the back of the school is very tight and has resulted in near misses for our children. We will continue to use the front of the school as safety is our primary concern. We ask that parents leave the front of the school promptly after dropping off and collecting to ensure the space is as clear as it can be.

**We would like to see improvements to the outside space and resources available.**

We have had a very hot summer so far. This has had a huge impact on our field. We are excited to announce extra resources for the playground have been purchased ready for next year. Watch this space for news about our new 'Trim Trail' in the Autumn term!

**More food at lunchtime as sometimes my child says they are still hungry.**

Please inform teachers if your child is complaining of feeling hungry, the lunch time staff will ensure they finish their lunch and take advantage of the extra food that is available to all. Seconds will be available where practical and extra bread is going to be reinstated at lunchtimes from September.

Consistently making learning enjoyable and effective for children. CKIS is an excellent school and both my children have had a really good experience.

We like to help the world with our Eco council and like to recycle, re-use and not waste our resources.

We would like more grass on the field and more activities on the field and playground.

We feel exceptionally lucky to send our children to CKIS knowing that they are receiving an incredibly high standard of education in a nurturing and playful environment.