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# CCA 2025-26 WELCOME NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2025

## PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all our new pupils and their families joining our school community this term. Welcome back to all of our existing pupils. We are excited to begin this journey with you and look forward to seeing each child grow, learn, and thrive. To our parents and carers, thank you for your support—we look forward to working together to make this a happy and successful year for everyone.

## PARENTPAY

As we are a cashless school, payments for school meals, trips, music tuition etc are paid via PayPal. If you cannot access your child's PayPal account, please email [finance@cca.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:finance@cca.staffs.sch.uk) who will re-send your log-in details.

## HOME LEARNING

Home learning for all pupils will begin on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2025.**

This year, we have decided to set home learning on the **Bromcom Student Portal** (a pupil version of MCAS!). This will ensure that parents/carers can also see their child's homework on MCAS as well.

More details will be shared with you soon.

## YEAR 5

We hope your child has settled in well and enjoyed their first week with us at middle school.

We encourage you to get in touch with your child's form tutor in the first instance if you need any advice or support.

5ST - Mrs Taylor	<a href="mailto:s.taylor@cca.staffs.sch.uk">s.taylor@cca.staffs.sch.uk</a>
5VH - Mrs Henshaw	<a href="mailto:v.henshaw@cca.staffs.sch.uk">v.henshaw@cca.staffs.sch.uk</a>
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5TC - Mr Cannon	<a href="mailto:t.cannon@cca.staffs.sch.uk">t.cannon@cca.staffs.sch.uk</a>
5TP - Miss Harvey	<a href="mailto:k.harvey@cca.staffs.sch.uk">k.harvey@cca.staffs.sch.uk</a>

Y5 parents/carers will be shortly be receiving a welcome email from their child's new form tutor.

## MY CHILD AT SCHOOL

We would like to remind you that all communications from school to parents/carers will be sent via My Child at School (MCAS). It is really important that you activate your account so that you can receive all messages from school, see your child's timetable, reports attendance, achievement and behaviour points. If you need an activation link re-sending to you, please email [office@cca.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:office@cca.staffs.sch.uk) (please note that you will need to activate the link within 24 hours - thank you).

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos are taking place on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025.** Please look out for further information to follow on MCAS.

# AFTER SCHOOL HOME LEARNING CLUB

Home Learning Club runs from 15:30 to 17:00 and bookings need to be made prior to each half term. Please note that if you need to pick up your child before 5pm, you are able to do this from Monday to Thursday up to 4:30pm and Friday from 4pm. Unfortunately after these times the office is closed and there is no one to answer the intercom & unlock/open the gate. If you wish to set a pre-arranged time to collect your child, Mr Frid (our Home Learning Club Supervisor) can send them to the gate at this agreed time. At 5pm Mr Frid will bring all remaining children to the pupil gate.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please could you ensure that all items of school uniform and PE kits are clearly labelled with your child's name. This will ensure that any lost items can be returned to your child swiftly.

## LOCKER KEYS

Please remind your child to bring their locker key to school every day and keep it safe!

## SCHOOL DINNERS

Our breakfast and dinner menus are available to view on our website:

<https://christchurchacademy.co.uk/parents/school-meals>

On this webpage you can also see the allergy free menu and can download a form to let us know of any dietary requirements, intolerances or allergies for your child.

Please note that pupils will not be able to purchase any food at break if their account is not in credit and that dinners should be paid for in advance on your child's ParentPay account.

## OPERATION ENCOMPASS

We would like to remind you that we are an Operation Encompass school. For more information please visit [www.operationencompass.org](http://www.operationencompass.org)



## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We're excited to share our wide range of extra-curricular activities available for pupils this term. From sports and arts to clubs and special interest groups, there's something for everyone to enjoy and explore.

Take a look at the attached list to see what's on offer and encourage your child to get involved!

## NUT-FREE SCHOOL

We have pupils in our school with severe nut allergies. For their safety, please remember that **our school is a nut-free environment.**

Therefore, we kindly request that you avoid sending your child to school with any snacks or lunches that contain peanuts, tree nuts or any nut products.

Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe!

## Follow CCA on Social Media



@CCASStone



Christ Church Academy, Stone



cca.stone



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# MOBILE PHONES & SOCIAL MEDIA

Pupils may bring a mobile phone to school, but they must be switched off and locked away whilst on the school site.

We would like to remind parents/carers that social media platforms have minimum age limits, and schools are not responsible for disputes that occur on these sites outside school hours. Our role is to support students' wellbeing and learning during the school day.

In the unlikely event that an online issue affects your child at school, we will offer support, but we ask for your partnership in guiding safe and respectful social media use at home. Please ensure your child only uses age-appropriate apps.

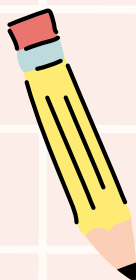
Thank you for your understanding.



## STATIONERY REMINDERS

Please ensure your child has the following stationery items each day:

- Pencil Case
- Black/Blue pens
- Red pen
- Highlighter
- Ruler
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- Glue Stick



## SKI-TRIP

One place has become available on our 2026 Ski Course in Cerler, Spain. The trip takes place between Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February to Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2026 and is for Y6, Y7 and Y8 pupils. The total cost of the trip is £1655.00. If you would like more information, please get in touch at [ski.trip@cca.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:ski.trip@cca.staffs.sch.uk)

The place will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

## MUSIC LESSONS

Just a reminder that Instrumental lessons start next week! 🎵

Mr Harrison will meet all new starters on the day of their lesson, and timetables will be posted outside the Music Room for pupils to see when their lesson is!

Are there any family members within our school community that are able to/willing to offer any form of **artist workshops** or **creative career sessions** in school? I would love to hear from you. I am keen to provide the children with as many opportunities as possible this year, broadening their knowledge and skills across a variety of creative areas.

**Games Donations** - In order to support our residential trips, wet breaktimes and lunch clubs this year, if anyone happens to have had a sort out and is wanting to get rid of any card games, board games, or similar that are in a useable condition, we would be very grateful to have them sent our way!

Thank you! Miss Fares - Art Department [d.fares@cca.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:d.fares@cca.staffs.sch.uk)



## Y5 CHURCH WELCOME VISIT

We are delighted to announce that our Year 5 children and their parents/carers will be warmly welcomed to a special Church Visit to Christ Church, Stone on the afternoon of **Friday 19th September 2025**. This will be a wonderful opportunity for families to come together, meet members of the church community, and take part in activities that help our Year 5 pupils prepare for the year ahead.

Invitations will be sent home soon!

**All parents/carers - you will shortly be receiving a welcome email from your child's new form tutor 😊**

## CCA NEIGHBOURS

The school gates open at 8:40 am each morning. We kindly ask all families and visitors to respect our neighbours by avoiding parking, stopping, or gathering near their homes before this time. Please also ensure your child behaves responsibly on the Common Plott, keeping it safe and enjoyable for everyone. Your cooperation helps us maintain a safe and friendly community.

## CAN YOU HELP OUR ART DEPT?