



### Looking Ahead

#### **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

- Y3 & Y4 Christmas Dinner

#### **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

- Y5 & Y6 Christmas Dinner

#### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

- last day of term.

- Christmas Jumper Day (see below)

#### **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January**

- Christmas Holidays

#### **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January**

- Term starts, children return to school

### Last Day of Term

#### **The last day of term is Friday**

**18<sup>th</sup> December.** This will be a normal school day of learning but children are invited to



come into school in Christmas Jumpers if they wish (school uniform and a Christmas Jumper).



On Tuesday this week, the government chose to inform schools that they might like to take the Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December as a training day and to find another day in the school year to add this day back in for children. It was far too late an announcement, and we were not willing to give parents such late notice, so we are not changing the last day at CJS.

### Tips for Parents over the Christmas Break (re: COVID)

Thank you for following all of the guidance regarding COVID 19. Cases in the school have very much slowed since half term and the sensible decisions made by parents have really helped this.

- Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
- For the first 6 days after teaching ends (so that's up until Christmas Eve), if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the Government have told schools that they should assist in identifying close contacts and advise parents and staff of the need to self-isolate accordingly, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.
- Please only contact Mr Smythe (so that everyone else can have a complete break after a very tiring term) if you have any COVID related issues to share over the Christmas break. He can be contacted, preferably, on **Class Dojo** or by email if necessary [a.smythe@cjs.derby.sch.uk](mailto:a.smythe@cjs.derby.sch.uk)
- Where pupils are required to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case after the first 6 days following the end of term (after Christmas Eve), the government have said that schools do not need to be informed about their absence until the first day of the new term; however, it would be helpful and Mr Smythe is happy for you to contact him as soon as you know.



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**Christmas Dinner**

We are really looking forward to our Christmas dinner days next week:

- Weds 16<sup>th</sup> Dec Y3 and Y4
- Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Dec Y5 and Y6

If you have not booked a Christmas dinner through the google form we sent out to parents a few weeks ago, we ask that you provide your child with a packed lunch for the two days, unless they are entitled to free school meals, in which case, we will provide packed lunch on both days if you wish. If you have booked a Christmas dinner, a reminder that you'll need to provide your child with a packed lunch for the other day.

**St Peter's Church Nativity**

Ashbourne class have created a nativity scene for St Peters Church for their advent calendar. They are displaying a different scene each day and we have created day 23.



**Thank You Message from Ms Onion**

Thank you to everyone who ordered from our Scholastic Book Club this time around.

We are delighted to let you know that thanks to your support we have earned £91.73 to spend on books for the school.

I have received an email from Scholastic to inform us that the order will be dispatched to school soon (I have no arrival date as yet but will let you all know as soon as they arrive).

Please look out for our next Book Club to order great books at great prices and earn loads of free books for our school while you do.

Once again, thank you for your support.

**Polite Reminder about the School Reception**

Can we ask that only one adult is in our reception at a time to help maintain social distancing.

Thank you to those families who queue outside reception if you have missed the gate in a morning. Your child can sign themselves in if you say goodbye to them at the front door. This will help prevent a crush in the reception area.

Thanks for your help in trying to keep everyone safe.

**Award for CJS**

We are delighted to confirm that following verification, Chellaston Junior School has been awarded the Carnegie Centre of Excellence for Mental Health in Schools 'School Mental Health Award' – Bronze Status. See our certificate on the next page 😊





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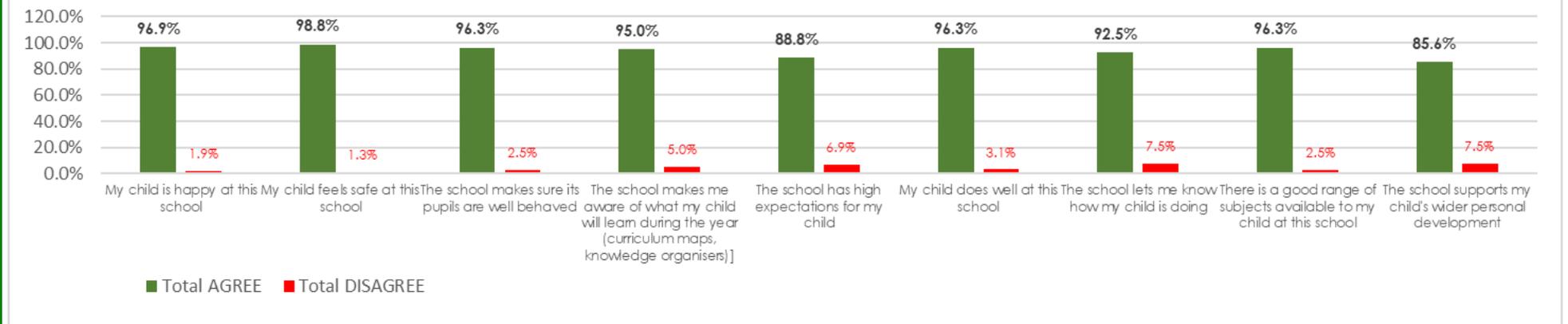
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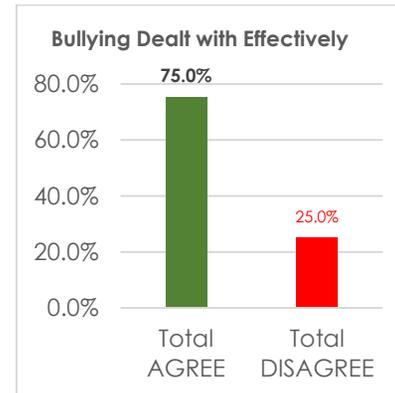
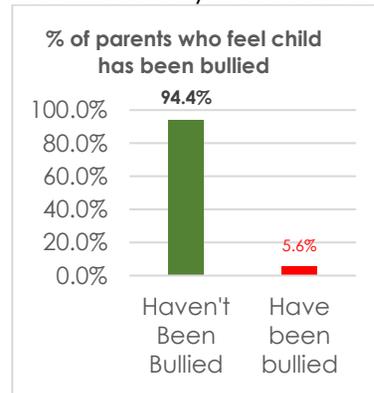
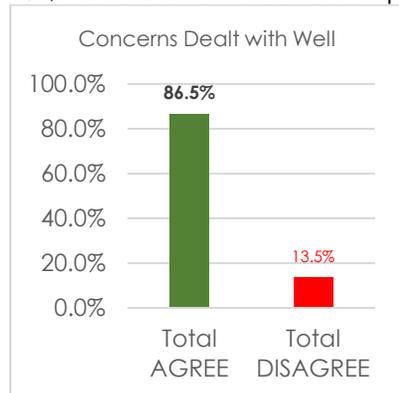
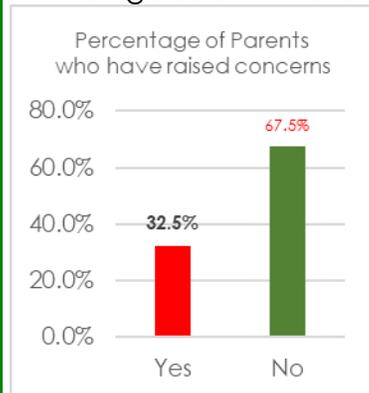
**Parents' Survey**

Thank you for the 160 responses we had to the parents' survey. Your feedback will help us to work with the governors to ensure that CJS is the best possible school for your child to learn.

We are analysing the results in great depth but the overview can be found in the following graphs:



Where figures don't total 100%, this will be because some parents said they 'don't know'.



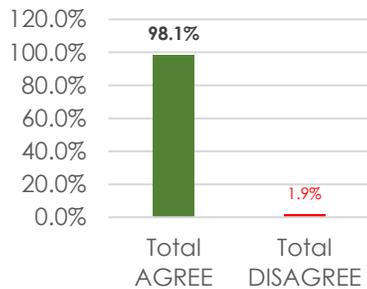


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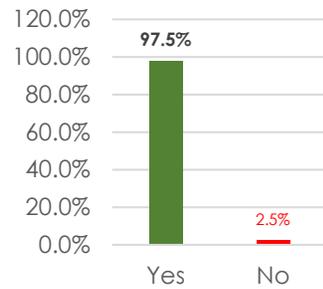
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COVID Dealt with Well  
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Would you recommend  
the school to others?



As promised, Mr Smythe will be aiming to contact all of the parents who left their details on the form.

Have a lovely weekend. We're looking forward to a great final week of term 😊