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# CHURCH COWLEY ST JAMES C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Parent Report Letter | Spring Term 2016

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Dear Parents,

I have pleasure in enclosing your child's annual report, compiled by the class teachers and your child for this academic term.

You may well have heard on the news and in the papers that Assessment in schools has changed, 'levels' no longer exist. At CCSJ we have worked very hard to develop a purposeful assessment for the children at school linked to national Curriculum and our own school curriculum, you may well have visited the school recently to hear more about it.

This report for your child won't have an attainment score (grade) as they, and in year progress measures as levels, are a thing of the past.

At CCSJ we use our own 'Curriculum Continuums' to assess children skills, each skill learned on the continuum is a description of what your child can do and enables teachers to identify what your child needs to do next. In Y2 and Y6 children still complete the end of Key Stage Tests (SATs) - we will report on them in due course.

At CCSJ, learning is personalised to enable your child to flourish and maximise their potential, our 'Curriculum Continuums' support us with this. We're very proud that the children have largely written their own reports, alongside their teacher, to help them to understand their next steps and targets. In Year 5 and 6, children have been working hard to produce PowerPoints that show their learning, in order to run their own parents evenings alongside their teachers. We're very pleased with how the transition away from levels has enabled us to develop our own system, one that can ultimately be used by the children to understand their own learning and the teachers to plan for better learning outcomes.

If you're interested in finding out more about how our 'Curriculum Continuums' work there will be another workshop with Mrs Endean on **Tuesday 12th April at 9:10am and 5pm.**

So read the report, take note of the targets that have been set, but most importantly, think back to how your child has grown this year already, and what they now know and can do that is new to them and you. And share your pride with them of what they have achieved.

On behalf of the staff at the school, I would like to wish you a very happy spring break and remind you that term finishes at 1:30pm on Thursday 24th March (there will be no After School Club on this day). We look forward to seeing you all again on Tuesday 12th April raring to go for another very special term.

Regards,

Steve Dew  
Head Teacher

