



Dear Parents/Carers,



National data was released last week which compares schools across the country. We are absolutely delighted that CTK remains in the top 20% of all schools for progress in reading, writing and maths. This means that, as children journey through the school, they make more progress in reading, writing and maths than 80% of schools across the country.

This is a huge testament to the hard work of our pupils, the dedication and commitment of our teaching team and the support of our highly-valued parents, particularly after the last few years of disrupted education due to COVID.

2NT's Poetry Recital

This morning we enjoyed a wonderful poetry recital assembly performed by Mrs Taylor's class based around the theme: funny poems and limericks. Thank you to all the pupils in 2NT for all their hard work and preparation over the past few weeks. The children confidently performed 'The Owl and the Pussycat' and a selection of short limericks by Edward Lear. They also sang the song 'Oat and Beans and Barley Grow'. It was lovely to see the children not only learning these poems and limericks by heart but also to hear what they had learned about the poet Edward Lear and how limericks are both written and performed. Well done, 2NT!

Our Catholic Mission

CTK Weekly Word - Holiness

Mrs Marshall and Miss Dodd led our CTK Weekly Word assemblies this week and they were based around the word 'Holiness'. The children learned that holiness is to be religious, pure and devoted to God. Together we listened to the Word taken from the letters of Saint Peter and discussed how we are all called to be saints. The children were given the mission of researching their favourite saint.

All Souls in November

November is the month of the Holy Souls and we are praying for our friends and family who have died. Please send the names of any family members or friends you would like us to pray for during November.

Parish Links

The Feast of All Saints and All Souls.

Thank you to all those who joined us for Mass to celebrate the Feast of All Saints and All souls this week. The Year 3 and 4 children led the Mass well and we were very proud of our newly commissioned CTK Chaplains. Our chaplaincy team will meet regularly to plan worship and small projects to maintain and develop the Catholic Life of the school.



Stars of the Week



Infant Site:

R-ER	Roel, Seana, Ozo, Maria, Evelyn
R-RG	Dhruv, Lily, Carlo, Leo, Kairon
R-AG/SF	Memphys, Kojo, Reya
1SR	Omari
1SL	Ansimia
1RW	Chelsey
2EO	Cuba
2NT	Whole Class
2SF	London

Junior Site:

3AP	Ann Mary
3GH	Andrea
3TP	Alan
4GO	Beri
4LM/LC	Lacey-Rey
4HB	Jacob
5SN	Hanna
5VD	Isaac
5HS	Lena
6EG	Remiah
6DM	Joseph
6LS	Jennifer

Head of School Awards

Infant Site	Kaiyah-Rae
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Congratulations to Kaiyah-Rae for being awarded the special Head of School Award this week from Mrs Marshall!

Year 5 Sports Leaders

At Christ The King, we believe that giving young people opportunities to become leaders, supporting their peers by leading sessions and officiating, gives a unique opportunity to develop many transferable life skills. These leadership skills can enhance the children's experience within school, and open doors to further education and employment opportunities when they leave. Alongside our teaching staff, we have identified a group of aspiring young sports leaders who will now undergo training delivered by Mr T. The children will then work alongside our current fantastic Year 6 sports leaders for the school year.

Well done and congratulations to our Year 5 Sports Leaders!



Year 5/6 Table Tennis Competition

Last Friday, Mrs Cranston and Mr T took a group of children from Year 5 & 6 to a Table Tennis competition ran by the Leicester City School Sports Network.

Over the last 4-5 weeks, our children have been given another fantastic opportunity to take part and practice Table Tennis on Wednesday and Thursday lunchtimes with Mrs Cranston. Those children who have then been showing great desire, passion and commitment towards the sport by turning up for practice each week, were selected to represent our school. Again, each of the children have represented our school brilliantly and we are so proud of the progress they are making. Well done to the CTK Table Tennis Team!



Barvember 2022!

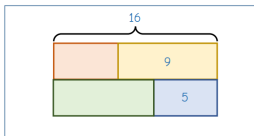
Barvember is an annual month-long event organised by White Rose Maths (an excellent online free maths resource) to encourage children to use the bar model representation when solving problems in Maths.

Every day during the month of November, White Rose Maths produce daily bar model-based questions. These can be found here: [Barvember](#) | [November maths problems](#) | [White Rose Maths](#)

We will be doing lots of work on bar modelling in school during November and encourage parents to look at some of these problems with their children at home. See below for today's problems:

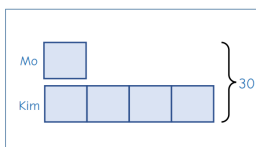
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1 9 more than my number is 16
That's the same as 5 more than my number.
What are Ron and Sam's numbers?



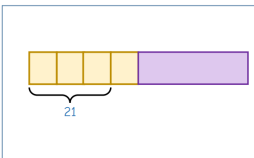
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2 Mo and Kim have some frogs.
Kim has 4 times as many frogs as Mo.
They have 30 frogs in total.
How many frogs does Kim have?



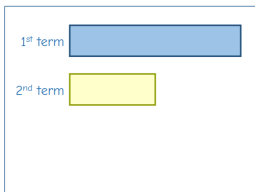
Fri 4th Nov BARVEMBER 2022

3 Dexter thinks of a number.
 $\frac{3}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ of Dexter's number is 21.
What is Dexter's number?



Fri 4th Nov BARVEMBER 2022

4 A sequence is made up of four numbers.
Each number is half of the previous number.
The sum of the four numbers is 135.
What is the first number in the sequence?



Please bring in any completed solutions on a piece of paper and post them in our Barvember Boxes on each site for a chance to win a weekly prize in assembly on Fridays!

There is also an exciting competition where pupils can get creative, either individually or in groups, to put together either a poem, rap, poster, artwork or sculpture all about bar modelling. Please submit any entries to Miss Ross or Mrs Glassford by Monday 28th November. Click the link for some inspiration from previous years! :[Bar Rap 2020](#)



BARVEMBER 2022

During the month of November, CTK are setting an exciting competition!
Your challenge is to create a piece of artwork, a rap, a song or a poem all about bar models to celebrate Barvember 2022!
Hand your entries in to Miss Ross or Mrs Glassford before Monday 28th November.
The winner on each site will be announced in assembly on Friday 2nd December!

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HAPPY BAR MODELLING!

A special thank you to our newly-formed Y6 Maths Club who have done a fantastic job of creating this year's Barvember Box! Well done, children! It looks fantastic and we can't wait to get started!



BARVEMBER



Attendance

Overall our attendance last week was 96.2%. The Government's national expectation is 97% and CTK aim to always be above this.

Miss Mason, Mrs Pickwell, Mrs Francis/Mrs Gibson's classes were the winners last week with 100%. This is a great achievement and we are very pleased.

2nd place: Mrs Morris and Mrs Wooldrige's class with 98.7%

3rd place: Mrs Darby's class with 98%

It is really important that children are in school every day and on time so that they do not miss out on the learning and time with their friends.

Primary School Applications

If you have a child who is due to start primary school in August 2023, applications are now open. If you are applying to Christ the King, you have to apply directly to the school and complete the Local Authority form online. The school form should be returned directly to the school by the closing date at midnight on Sunday 15th January 2023. You can view our admission policy on the website: [Christ The King Catholic Voluntary Academy - Admissions and Appeals \(ctkleicester.co.uk\)](https://ctkleicester.co.uk)

We will be holding an open day on **Tuesday 15th November @ 10am**. Please share this with friends and families if it applies to them.

Early Reading Parent Workshop for all Reception and Year One Parents

We would like to invite all our parents in Reception and Year 1 to an Early Reading session on **Tuesday 8th November @9:15am in the Infant hall**. You will find out how we teach our children to read and learn about the national phonics screening check in Year 1. We will also share some helpful advice to support your child to be a confident and fluent reader. We hope that you can join us.

Parent Survey

On Monday 31st October, I shared a link to our parent survey. We want as many responses back as possible so that we can see what we are doing well and in which areas we need to improve. You can access the survey through this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/WLwAXtVU2>



Friends of Christ the King Parents' Association

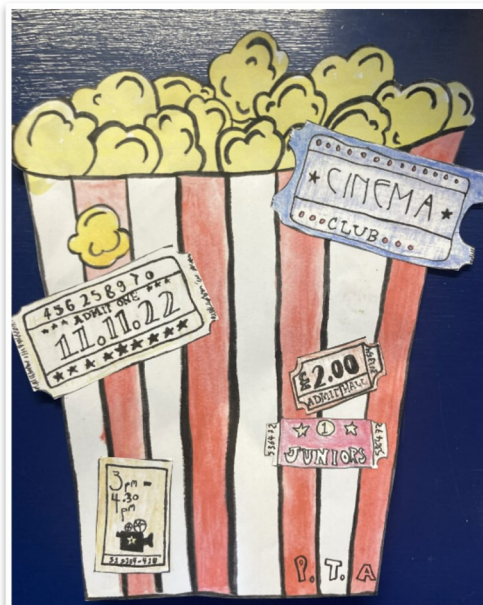
In 2020, the CTK PA set up a School Lottery to help raise funds for the school and make a difference for our children. One player from our school wins a weekly prize and all players have the chance to win £25,000. It's only a £1 a week and the more people who take part, the higher the prizes will be. Please click this [link](#) if you are interested in taking part.

Our wonderful PA are also organising a Film Club for the children where they can enjoy a movie, a drink and a snack for only £2. The first Film Club will be held in the **junior hall** for our **junior children** on **Friday 11th November**. It will begin at **15:00** and end at **16:30**. Children attending Film Club will be escorted to the hall by a member of staff at 15:00 and can be collected by a parent/carer at 16:30 from the fire exit nearest to the Junior Hall.

The film that has been selected for our first Film Club is *Yes Day* which we think the children will really enjoy! Please be advised that *Yes Day* has the age rating: **Parental Guidance (PG)**. If you would like your child to attend, please book a place via Arbor.

An Infant Film Club is planned for after the Christmas break, we will let you know the details of when this will be before the end of term.

Thank you to the Parents Association for organising this exciting evening for our pupils!



Thought for the Week

"To be saints is not a privilege for the few. But a vocation for everyone".

Pope Francis

God bless,

Mrs Carter and the CTK Team



Dates for the Diary: Advent Term 2 2022

Week beginning 7th November	Judaism Week begins
November	Assemblies from the Hebrew Society
Wednesday 9th November	Y3 Synagogue trip as part of Judaism Week
Wednesday 9th November	Flu Vaccinations for pupils
Thursday 10th November	Remembrance Day Liturgy for Infant Site 9:00am— Parents Welcome
Friday 11th November	Remembrance Day Liturgy for Junior Site 2:25pm— Parents Welcome
Friday 11th November	2SF Poetry Recital Assembly @ 9:00am - Infant Site Parents Welcome
Week beginning 14th November	Anti-bullying Week
Wednesday 16th November	6DM final swimming session
Thursday 17th November	5SN Poetry Recital Assembly @ 2:25pm - Junior Site Parents Welcome
Friday 18th November	School closed for teacher training day
Sunday 20th November	Feast of Christ the King Family Mass Church location and time TBC
Monday 21st November	Feast of Christ the King Liturgies— Parents Welcome Infants 9:00am Juniors 2:25pm
Tuesday 22nd –29th November	Book Fair
Wednesday 23rd November	6EG swimming sessions begin
Friday 25th November	<u>5VD Poetry Recital Assembly @ 2:25pm - Junior Site Parents Welcome</u>
Sunday 27th November	Season of Advent begins
Monday 28th November	Advent Liturgies—Parents Welcome Infants 9:00am Juniors 2:25pm
Thursday 1st December– Friday 2nd December	Year 4 Residential to Beaumanor Hall
Friday 2nd December	5HS Poetry Recital Assembly @ 2:25pm - Junior Site Parents Welcome
Monday 5th—Wednesday 7th December	Y6 Residential Trip to Alton Castle
Friday 9th December	National Christmas Jumper Day