



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back and a very Happy Easter to you all. I hope you all had a blessed Easter break. Our final term of the year has so much to offer with trips, exciting visitors, sports day, end of year performances and memorable experiences for our pupils.

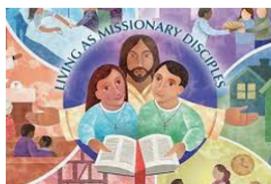
Our Catholic Mission

On Monday, we celebrated an assembly on both sites to mark the beginning of a new term and the season of Easter. We are called to be a missionary Church - spreading the Good News just as Mary Magdalene did on that Easter morning. We talked about how we can spread the Good News at school this term through practicing our good habits every day.

Missionary Discipleship

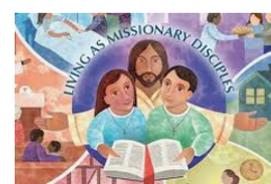
Bishop Patrick McKinney has asked us to focus on three themes this year in our schools: Encounter, Discipleship and Missionary Discipleship. This term we are exploring the theme of 'Missionary Discipleship.' A missionary disciple is a friend of Jesus who calls others into friendship with Jesus through their actions and words.

Fr John spoke to the children this week about how they can be Missionary Disciples at school and at home. We have set some Missionary Discipleship Challenges for our families and children to complete during the term. How many can you carry out?



Become a Missionary Disciple!

Bishop Patrick is calling YOU to show how you are one of Jesus' disciples with a special mission. Think you can rise to the challenge? Complete these activities to demonstrate how you are one of His disciples. Each week in assembly, Mrs Carter will be asking you which challenges you have completed, so be prepared to explain what you are doing to show that you are a Missionary Disciple!



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| Read a Bible story every weekend or ask a grown up to read one to you. Talk about what you can learn from it, and pass this message onto a friend. | Tell a friend your <u>favourite</u> Bible story, and why it is special to you. | Make a poster about Jesus and put it on your bedroom window so people can see it. | Learn the names of Jesus' Twelve Disciples. Who is your favourite disciple and why? | When you meet someone who is feeling sad, tell them you will say a prayer for them – and remember to do it! |
| Find a new charity to help. Think about ways you and your family could support them. | If you don't usually go to Church, ask your parent/carer if they will take you. If you already go regularly, ask your priest if you can help as a welcomer one Sunday (if you enjoy it, maybe you could join the rota with your family). | | Look for an opportunity every day to do an act of kindness for someone. | Show your joy today – how can you do this? |

We would love you to create something to hang on our prayer tree at the front of our school reception to show what we are doing as a school family to become Missionary Disciples. Every time you complete one of these challenges, make a small picture, poem or symbol to show what you have been doing.



Parish Links:

Our school serves three parishes: Blessed Sacrament & St Peter's RC Church and Mother of God. The parish websites contain information about Mass times and other notices.

We are looking forward to celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion with our Year 3 children this term. We will also be holding a school Mass for these children at the end of this term so we can celebrate this important sacrament together.

<https://www.westleicesteratholic.org/>

<http://motherofgodleicester.co.uk/>

Lenten Almsgiving

Thank you very much for your generous donations to our Lenten charity CAFOD. We are delighted to inform you that together we have raised £200.

Thank you to all the children and their families for their contributions.

Stars of the Week

CTK Infants

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| R-RG | Constance, Mia, Nnabuihe, Martha |
| R-ER | Seana, Malachi, Nia, Ludwik, Raluchukwu |
| R-AG/SF | Johaana, Memphys, David, Dominik, Rithul |
| 1SL | Ruby |
| 1SR | Benji Q |
| 1RH | Kevin |
| 2EO | Issey |
| 2NT | Leo |
| 2SF | Tamiya Lily |

CTK Juniors

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| 3GH | Destiney |
| 3TP | Kabina |
| 3AP | Tom |
| 4LM/LW | Antoni |
| 4HB | Amelia |
| 4GO | Rita |
| 5VD | Ivan |
| 5HS | Thiago |
| 5SN | Sophia |
| 6LS | Massio |
| 6DM | Blazej |
| 6EG | Gideon |



Attendance and Punctuality

Excellent attendance and punctuality to school are very important to ensure children achieve their very best. Please ensure that children are in school every day and on time unless they are ill. I am aware that the vast majority of parents ensure that their children attend school regularly but, as it is the beginning of a new term, I would like to remind everyone of the importance of good attendance and punctuality. **Holidays in term time will not be authorised, (unless in exceptional circumstances), and parents may receive a fixed term penalty notice for unauthorised absences.**

Class attendance rates for each class up to the Lent Term:

| Class | Attendance | Class | Attendance |
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| F2 RG | 95.2% | 3GH | 97.3% |
| F2 ER | 95.4% | 3TP | 95.3% |
| F2 SF/AG | 92.9% | 3AP | 95.6% |
| 1RH | 94.5% | 4HB | 94.5% |
| 1SR | 96.0% | 4GO | 96.9% |
| 1SL | 95.9% | 4LW/LM | 95.9% |
| 2NT | 95.3% | 5SN | 96.2% |
| 2SF | 96.5% | 5HS | 94.2% |
| 2EO | 96.4% | 5VD | 96.8% |
| | | 6DM | 97.7% |
| | | 6EG | 96.5% |
| | | 6LS | 96.9% |

Attendance is a key priority for our school this year and the school continues to work towards its attendance target of 97%. Our current whole school attendance is 95.8%

Summer Uniform

As the weather is getting warmer, the children can now wear their summer uniform. This includes a white polo shirt and grey shorts or trousers for boys and a blue checked summer dress or white polo shirt and skirt/shorts for girls. The children have been taking great pride in their appearance and dressing to impress! We expect the very best from our children with regards to school uniform and appearance and strongly believe that our high standards promote positive behaviour. Thank you for your support.

The CTK Experience -Extra curriculum Clubs at CTK

Year 4 visit New Walk Museum

Year 4 had a fantastic trip to New Walk museum where they took part in a “Meet the Mummies” workshop. They learned a lot about what life was like for the Ancient Egyptians and got to examine some artefacts from 3000 years ago. They also had the time to explore the museum. The children really enjoyed their visit.



Best Book Year 2

A big thank you to all our Year two families who have taken part in ‘Our Best Picture Book 2023’ by reading books for pleasure at home with your children and voting for your favourite picture book.

All the votes are now in. We can now reveal Christ the King ‘Our Best Picture Book 2023’ winners are ...

| Pupils Winner | Parents and Carers Winner | Staff Winner |
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Friends of Christ the King Parents' Association

The Parents' Association will be meeting next week to prepare for our most important fundraising event of the year – The summer BBQ on **Friday 7th July**. They are meeting on **Monday 24th April at 6pm** on the Infant Site. It is open to ALL parents/carers of children at Christ The King. We are always looking for new volunteers - We hope you can join us! The Summer BBQ is always a happy occasion but needs a lot of volunteers to work together to make it happen.. Please try to attend the meeting and offer your time, talent and enthusiasm.

Year 6 SATs/Year 2 SATs

Year 6 SATs will take place on the week beginning **8th May 2023**. Year 2 SATs will take place during the month of May. We ask that all children attend school and please ensure that you do not arrange any medical or family appointments during the SATS period.

RE Newsletter

The RE Newsletter for the Pentecost term was shared with you this week across Class Dojo. This contains all of the topics the children will be learning about, along with key dates in the Liturgical Calendar. There are also ideas of how you can support your child at home with their religious education.

Bank Holiday

A reminder that Monday 1st May and Monday 8th May are bank holidays and therefore school is closed. School reopens as normal on the Tuesday 2nd May and Tuesday 9th May.

Thought for the week

*“You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord;
Blessed are those who have not seen, but still believe!”*

John 20:29

God bless,

Annie Carte and the CTK Team.



Important Dates for the Pentecost Term 1

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| Tuesday 18th April | Theme for Lent term: Missionary Discipleship Assemblies with Fr Cahill for all pupils |
| Wednesday 26th April | Resurrection Liturgies across school |
| Thursday 27th April | Coffee morning with the FIT Team—Infant Site 8:45am Parents Welcome |
| Monday 1st May | BANK HOLIDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED |
| Friday 5th May | Y5 Sports Event at New College |
| Monday 8th May | BANK HOLIDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED |
| Tuesday 2nd—Friday 12th May | KS2 SATs Week KS1 SATs Testing Period begins |
| Friday 12th May | 4LMLW Poetry Recital Assembly @ 2:20pm Junior Site Parents Welcome |
| Monday 15th May | CTK Mission Day—come in something blue or yellow |
| Tuesday 16th May | Infant Site Photo Day |
| Wednesday 17th May | Junior Site Photo Day New Parents Coffee Morning—Infant Site @ 9:00-10:00am |
| Thursday 18th May | Ascension Liturgies across school |
| Friday 19th May | 5HS History Walking Trip |
| Friday 19th May | 4GO Poetry Recital Assembly @ 2:20pm Junior Site Parents Welcome |
| Wednesday 24th May | First Holy Communion Preparation Session |
| Thursday 25th May | 5VD History Walking Trip |
| Friday 26th May | 5SN History Walking Trip |
| Friday 26th May | 4HB Poetry Recital Assembly @ 2:20pm Junior Site Parents Welcome |
| Week beginning 29th May | HALF TERM—SCHOOL CLOSED |
| Monday 5th June | School reopens |