



Dear Parents/Carers,

The highlight of the week is the magnificent victory of our school basketball team at the Primary County Basketball finals at Morningside Arena. They played and won every game and took home the Leicestershire and Rutland County trophy as champions for 2023/24. We are very proud of them. Well done, Team CTK!



This afternoon we enjoyed a wonderful poetry recital by Mrs Connell's and Mrs Valente's class. Thank you to all the pupils in 3C-V for all their hard work and preparation over the last week. The children confidently performed 'The Land of Counterpane' by Robert Louis Stevenson and 'Pinda Cake' by Valerie Bloom. It was lovely to see the children perform these poems and also to share what they have learnt about the inspiration for each poem.

## **Our Catholic Mission**

### **Protected Characteristics Assembly**

Mrs Glassford and Mrs Marshall led our Weekly Word assemblies on Monday based around the theme of 'Almsgiving.' We thought about how lucky we are to have so much and how we can help those less fortunate.

## **Faith in Action**

Thank you to all the children and their families who have contributed to our CAFOD fundraising activities during Lent.

Mrs Morris' class are running a raffle as their Lenten project. The children in 4LM have donated all the prizes and have compiled them into amazing hampers. There are 5 incredible baskets filled with Easter goodies that could be won. They will be selling tickets to the junior children each day next week and the prize will be drawn in assembly on Friday 22nd March. Tickets will be £1 for a strip of 5.



All of the money from these fundraising activities will go to support the work of CAFOD, the Catholic international charity that supports people living in poverty. Thank you for all your support and donations so far.

## **Parish Links**

We continued our Lenten journey this week with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Fr Cahill reminded us of the importance of spending time with Jesus during this Holy time of Lent. It was a beautiful, prayerful time together and we thank Fr Cahill for this opportunity.



## Stars of the Week



### CTK Infants

R-AG	Dominik, Gladys, Ella, Tiana, Jordon
R-HM	Haizel, Azari, Rithul, Elvira, Yusuf
R-SL	Chimex, Cairo, Janelle, Jerom, Chinex
1TP	Cillian
1KB/SF	Mia
1ER	Declan
2EO	Abby
2NT	Janelle
2SN	Solomon

### CTK Juniors

3KR	Manuel
3GH	Jovan
3C/V	Serah-Mary
4LM	Lily-Mae
4HB	Tom B
4GO	Emilia
5MB	Isla
5SJ	Lucas
5VD	Alexander
6DW	Nozipho
6LS	Sophia
6EG	Ohemaa

## Lunchtime Awards



I am delighted to report that hundreds of pom poms have been awarded to our children this week for excellent behaviour.

Well done to all our children who have received the 'Lunchtime Award' this week. Each lunchtime teacher nominates one pupil each week for showing our school values and following our school rules at lunchtime.

### CTK Infants

Dominik (R-AG)	Elvira (R-HM)	Dhruv (1TP)	Wayne (2NT)	Kyria (1ER)
Sky (R-SL)	Mariel (1KB/SF)	Antoni (1ER)	Marley (2SN)	

### CTK Juniors

Emily (5MB)	Christina (4LM)	Gabby (4GO)	Evelyn (4HB)
Hanna (6DW)	Akein (6EG)	Saoirse (4GO)	



## Head of School Awards

Infant Site	Amarni (RSL)
Junior site	Neto and Romeo (3C-V)

Congratulations to Amarni, Neto and Romeo who have received the 'Head of School' Awards this week from Mrs Marshall and Mrs Glassford. Well done!

### Attendance

We take pride in our attendance at CTK and we want to share this with you. Our winning classes last week were:

1st place: Miss O'Brien and Miss Hall's class with 97.2%

2nd Place: Miss Gilding's class with 97.1%

3rd Place: Mrs Taylor's class with 97.0%

Our target is always to have attendance above 97%. Last week, attendance across all year groups was 96.3%. Well done, everyone! Your support with ensuring all children have a good level of attendance is wonderful. Please remember that excellent attendance leads to amazing achievements.

Attendance Matters		
100%	0 Days	0 Lessons Missed
99%	1 Day	5 Lessons Missed
98%	3 Days	15 Lessons Missed
97%	1 Week	25 Lessons Missed
96%	1.5 Weeks	35 Lessons Missed
94%	2 Weeks	50 Lessons Missed
93%	2.5 Weeks	65 Lessons Missed
92%	3 Weeks	75 Lessons Missed
90%	3.5 Weeks	90 Lessons Missed

## The CTK Experience

### **Missions, Vocations and Futures.**

Part of the CTK Experience is to encourage the children to think about their future and how they can use their God-given gifts.

### **Mr Nick Hamer visits Year 3**

On Tuesday afternoon, Year 3 had the pleasure of meeting a truly inspiring visitor and CTK parent, Mr Nick Hamer, who is a film maker and often records documentaries. Nick brought all of his recording equipment to show the children. He also spoke openly about his life lesson, to trust in Jesus, even when you're scared and this is how he got to do his dream job. Year 3 want to thank Nick for this wonderful experience!



## Sports, Clubs and Activities

Part of the CTK Experience is encouraging the children to live a healthy life through learning new sports and hobbies.

On Wednesday, we took four teams of children to compete in the Inspire Together West Leicester Gymnastics competition held at the Gymnastics centre at New College, Leicester. This is our second year performing in this competition and we have taken more gymnasts this year than last year. Our gymnasts performed incredibly well, with two groups performing at Level 2 and two groups performing at the highest level, Level 4.

Overall, our level 4 groups finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place (out of 15) and our level 2 groups finished in 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place (out of 16).

Again, a huge well done to our gymnasts who have shown improvement and dedication this year.







## **REMINDER ...The Big Walk and Wheel at Christ the King**

We are encouraging children to cycle or scoot to school as part of a national event and competition.

Each day, children will be asked to record if they walked, wheeled, scooted or cycled to school to contribute to our whole school score.

All those children who scoot or cycle will be entered into a fun prize draw for bike-related goodies such as helmets and bells.

Please encourage your children to take part on as many days as you can between 11th and 22nd March 2024. If you find it tricky to walk, scoot or ride to school due to distance, you could park a little further away from school or try it for one or two days. It all counts!



## **Infant Band System for Lunchtime**

Over the past few weeks, the Year 1 and 2 children have been trialling a band system for ordering their lunches. The aim of this has been to reduce food waste and to ensure that all children get their first choice of meal. Each morning, the children have been picking from four options of what they would like to eat that day. All of the children have enjoyed handing over their coloured band to the ladies who cook their lunch. If you would like to see what's on offer for lunch each day, please see the school menus [here](#).

## **Online Safety**

This week's online safety guide provides 10 top tips on supporting parents and carers with Self Regulation. We hope you find it useful. Please click [here](#) to access it.

We strongly advise all parents to supervise their child's online activity by keeping the electronic devices in communal areas of the house such as in the living room or kitchen.

***Primary children should not access the internet unsupervised in private spaces, such as alone in a bedroom or bathroom.***

## **The Virtue of Gratitude**

With just one week to go, we would like to encourage our children to practise the virtue of gratitude by writing a thank you note to someone they think has helped them this term - this may include their friends or the adults working with them. We will be reminding the children about this during our Monday morning assembly and the children can collect a thank you note template from their class teacher. It would be a very positive end to the half term if there was lots of sharing of thank you notes! Please encourage your child to take part.





## Friends of Christ the King Parents' Association

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Parents' Association meeting this week. Preparations are well underway for the Easter Egg Hunt and Easter holiday competitions. More details to follow next week.

Our next meeting will be **Monday 29th April @ 18:00 Infant Site**. All are welcome!

## Thought for the week

*"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God"*

Hebrews:13:6

God bless.

Annie Carter and the CTK Team

## **Dates for the final week of the Lent Term 2024**

<b>Tuesday 19th March</b>	<b>Year 6 trip to Beacon Hill</b>
<b>Tuesday 19th &amp; Wednesday 20th March</b>	<b>Year 4 Easter Story Performances to parents/carers</b> <b>Tuesday 19th March @ 14:00 and Wednesday 20th March @ 9:15</b> <b>Ticketed event*</b>
<b>Thursday 21st March</b>	<b>Year 6 Lego Computing Workshop</b>
<b>Friday 22nd March</b>	<b>Holy Week Liturgies—Parents Welcome</b> <b>Infant site 9:00 Junior site 14:20</b>
<b>Friday 22nd March</b>	School closes for Easter holidays (normal time)
<b>Monday 8th April</b>	Children return to school
<b>Thursday 11th April</b>	Easter Egg Hunt Infant and Junior Site All Welcome
<b>Friday 5th July</b>	CTK Summer BBQ 17:00 –20:00 All welcome