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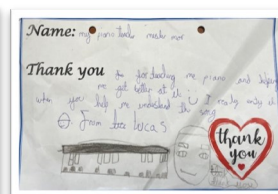
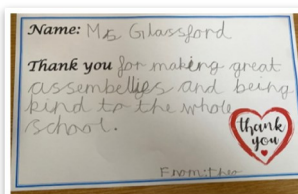
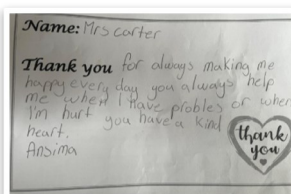
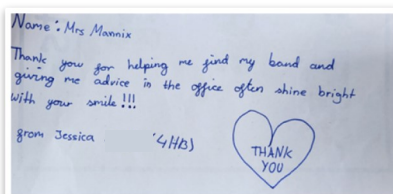
As we head into the half term break, we reflect on all the wonderful things the children have achieved and look forward to the last few weeks of the school year - full of performances, trips, sports day and our summer BBQ!

Poetry Recital 4HB

Thank you to Miss Busby's class who performed two brilliant poems this afternoon, "The Sound Collector" by Roger McGough and "Mr. Nobody" by an anonymous poet. The children performed with confidence, enthusiasm and were superb at projecting their voices. We are very proud of them! Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us today and for your continued support.

Our Catholic Mission

The children have been practising the virtue of Gratitude this week by writing notes of appreciation to someone who has helped them this half term. The staff team have received a number of appreciations this week and it has been a privilege to read them...



Faith in Action - Mary's Meals Fundraising

On Thursday 23rd May, some of our very talented Y5 pupils held a craft sale on the Junior playground. They made bracelets, paintings, pom-pom coasters, drawings and lots of Hama bead creations for the junior children to purchase. They raised a fantastic £96.00! All proceeds from the sale will go to Mary's Meals, a charity which provides school meals in parts of the world where hunger prevents children from gaining an education.

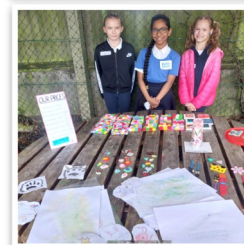
Thank you to the Y5 children for their hard work and to all the children who brought in money to support this wonderful cause.

Parish Links:

Our school serves two parishes: Blessed Sacrament & St Peter's Catholic 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 children in June. Please remember to pray for them as they prepare for this very important sacrament.

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

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





Attendance

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

1st place: Miss Gilding, Mrs Featherstone, and Miss Laycock's class with 100%

2nd Place: Mr Mason's class with 99.7%

3rd Place: Mrs Stone's and Miss O'Brien's class with 98.7%

Our target is always to have attendance above 97%. Last week, attendance across all year groups was **96.7%**. Well done, Everyone! Your support with ensuring all children have a good level of attendance is wonderful. Please remember that excellent attendance leads to greater well being and amazing achievements.

Parents are reminded that school can support with any issues they may have with regards to getting their children to school - just contact the office to discuss potential support.

Penalty notice fines for school absence are changing from August 2024. Please see the quick guide [here](#).

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

Punctuality and Attendance Snapshot

On the last Friday of every half term, we will be emailing the attendance and punctuality for every pupil via Arbor. This will enable all parents to have a snapshot of their child's attendance and punctuality compared to the school's average. We hope this will further improve attendance rates at CTK. Thank you for your continued support with this.

Change to INSET Day

There is a slight change to next year's term dates. The INSET day originally planned for Friday 22nd November will now take place on Friday 29th November.

The revised term dates for next year can be found [here](#).

Year 4 Multiplication Check

Children in Year 4 will sit their statutory multiplication check during the **week beginning 10th June**. Parents and carers can find further details [here](#).

Children can use the *Soundcheck* game on Times Tables Rockstars to practise.





Stars of the Week

CTK Infants

R-HM	Rithul, Janell, Jayjay, Reign, David
R-SL	Senuli, Keenan, Rafael, Frankie, Noah W
R-AG	Daniel, Grace, Isla-Rose, Barney, Oliver
1KB/SF	Mylan
1TP	Sophie T
1ER	Ollie
2EO	Louie
2NT	Tomaz
2SN	Abe

CTK Juniors

3GH	Imogen
3W/V	Idris
3KR	Zane
4SF	Paris
4HB	Jasmine
4GO	Evan
5VD	Surina
5SJ	Georgina
5MB	Jacob
6LS	Chelsea
6DW	Aryanna
6EG	Darren



Lunchtime Awards



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

Oliver (R-AG)	Janell (R-SL)	Johaann (1TP)	Savanna (2SN)	Ansima (2SN)
Tudor (R-HM)	Mikayla (1ER)	Angelee (1KB/SF)	Ruby (2EO)	Amelia (2NT)

CTK Juniors

Finley (5MB)	Kabina (4HB)	Charlotte W (3GH)	Zofia (4HB)
Hannah (5SJ)	Aden (4GO)	Aeibel (4SF)	

Head of School Award

Congratulations to Borys, Seb and Dhryia who have received the 'Head of School' Award this week. Mrs Glassford and Mrs Marshall nominate children each week for something marvellous they have noticed. Well done!

Infant Site	Dhryia (1ER)
Juniors Site	Borys and Seb S (6LS)

Personal Development

Worry Assembly

Just like adults, sometimes children can feel worried or anxious. In addition to our daily prayers and putting our Faith into action, we arranged for the school nurse team to come in to school and talk to the children about worries and their feelings. The children shared some of the things they worry about and the nurse talked about what they can do to help themselves and who they can talk to if they are feeling worried.



To ensure our children feel listened to, we have a physical 'Worry Monster' teddy in each classroom. The children write down any worries - or simply their name - if they want a chat with a trusted adult and post it in the Worry Monster. The classroom teachers check the Worry Monster regularly and address those worries in the best way for that individual child. This has had a very positive impact on our listening culture at CTK.

Calling Foundation Governors

Are you looking for a way to live out your Faith and serve your local community at the same time?

If so, becoming a foundation governor could be just the thing for you. Bishop Patrick McKinney is seeking practising Catholics to appoint as new foundation governors to our diocesan schools. Foundation governors play a vital role in maintaining and developing the Catholic character of our schools.

This event is designed to provide information about the role of a foundation governor, the application process and the support offered.

To reserve your place please contact Julie Sweeney: julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk



CALLING FOUNDATION GOVERNORS

Calling Foundation Governors
An invitation for you!

Date & Time
Thursday 27 June 2024
7.00pm - 8.00pm

Venue
VIRTUAL - Microsoft Teams

Christ is the foundation of the whole educational enterprise in a Catholic school.

The Catholic School, \$34

The CTK Experience

Foundation Stage Bus Trip

This week the Reception children went on their first school trip. As part of their understanding of the world unit they went on a bus tour of Leicester. The children have been studying the book 'All Aboard for the Bobo Road' a story all about the most beautiful road in Africa. The children have been thinking about the similarities and differences between Africa and Leicester. Unfortunately, we did not get to see any hippos or beautiful waterfalls, but the children were fantastic at spotting the train station, cafes, and restaurants!



Year 1 Seaside Trip

On Thursday, our Year One children visited Skegness Beach as part of their learning in Geography. They looked at the different features of a traditional seaside, including the pier. The children loved eating their lunch on the beach and playing games with their friends. It was a fantastic day for all!





Online Safety

CTK is committed to supporting our families and educating our children on the safe and responsible use of technology. Mrs Waldron has organised further online safety workshops with Breck Foundation. There will also be a workshop for parents via Zoom on **Wednesday 12th June @18:00 –19:00**. All the details have been sent home this week and you can find the letter [here](#).

Friends of Christ the King Parents' Association

The Parents' Association are preparing for our most important fundraising event of the year: The Summer BBQ on **Friday 5th July 5-8pm**.

In previous years we have had food stalls showcasing the different nationalities united under Christ the King, including Filipino, Keralan, Polish and African cuisine, to name but a few. If you would be willing to provide a food stall for our summer BBQ, or can help in any way, please could you contact Sinead Glassford via email. Her email address is: sineadglassford@hotmail.com

Our next meeting will be **Monday 17th June @18:00 on the Infant Site**. This will be to finalise plans for our Summer BBQ. *All are welcome.*

May Half term – Family Information Sheet

A family information sheet for the May half term has been shared across Arbor this week which details free or low-cost activities in and around Leicestershire and places to eat where food is free/discounted for children. You can find it [here](#). We hope you find it useful.

Thought for the week

“Do you know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not on your own” I Corinthians 6:19

Have a lovely half term.

God bless,

Annie Carter and the CTK Team



Dates for Pentecost 2

Monday 3rd June	School reopens
Week beginning 3rd June	Year 4 Multiplication Timestables Check
Wednesday 5th June	New Parents' Meeting on the Infant Site 6pm
Thursday 6th June	Junior Pentecost Liturgy 14:15 - Parents welcome
Friday 7th June	Infant Pentecost Liturgy 9am—Parents welcome
Friday 7th June	Year 5 Space Centre trip and Residential experience
Friday 7th June	Non-uniform Day for all pupils except Year 5 who will have this on Thursday 6th June.
Week beginning 10th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
Wednesday 12th June	Transition Morning across school - opportunity for children to meet their new teacher for next year
Wednesday 12th June	Online Safety Workshop for parents via Zoom @18:00 - 19:00. The link will be shared on Wednesday 5th June.
Wednesday 12th June	New Reception children visiting the Infant Site—Infant Site 9:30-10:30am Day 1
Thursday 13th June and Friday 14th June	Online Safety sessions for all pupils
Friday 14th June	Reception Miss Laycock's Class Poetry Recital Assembly 9:00—Infant Site—Parents Welcome
Monday 17th June	Year 1, Year 3 & Year 4 joint mass—Junior Hall 2pm—Parents welcome
Tuesday 18th June	Year 2 trip to Twycross Zoo
Wednesday 19th June	New Reception children visiting the Infant Site—Infant Site 9:30-10:30am Day 2
Thursday 20th June	EYFS & Year 6 chaplaincy retreat sessions on the theme of Encounter through the Saints
Friday 21st June	Reception Mrs Gibson's Class Poetry Recital Assembly 9:00—Infant Site—Parents Welcome



Important Dates for Pentecost 2 continued....

Monday 24th June	SPORTS DAY AM Infant Site
Tuesday 25th June	SPORTS DAY AM Junior Site
Tuesday 25th June	FIT Coffee Morning for parents— time and location TBC
Friday 28th June	Feast of Saints Peter & Paul—Mass at Mother of God Parish 10am Year 1 & Year 6 attending—Parents welcome
Week beginning 1st July	Year 5 Bikeability Level 1
Wednesday 3rd July	Year 2 Performance @9:15 Infant Site
Thursday 4th July	Year 2 Performance @14:00 Infant Site
Thursday 4th July	Celebration Mass for the children who have made their First Holy Communion this year . 9am Junior Hall—Parents Welcome
Thursday 4th July	EYFS trip to Stonehurst Farm
Thursday 4th July & Friday 5th July	Year 6 trip to De Monfort University-Aspirations Curriculum 45 children attending on each day - further information to follow
Friday 5th July	Reception Mr Mason's Class Poetry Recital Assembly 9:00 - Infant Site- Parents Welcome
Friday 5th July	<u>CTK Summer BBQ - Junior Site 5-8pm</u>
Wednesday 10th July	Year 6 Play performances to parents *Ticketed Event* Afternoon and evening timings to be confirmed
Thursday 11th July	Year 6 Leavers' Liturgy—time TBC Parents welcome
Friday 12th July	<u>Last day of school for this academic year</u> <u>Usual finishing time of 3pm Junior Site / 3:20pm Infant Site</u>
Thursday 29th August	School reopens for academic year 2024-25