



Dear Parents/Carers,

This morning we enjoyed a wonderful poetry recital assembly all about growing up performed by Miss Rawling's class. Thank you to all the pupils in 1ER for all their hard work and preparation over the past few weeks. The children confidently performed 'Now I Am Six' by Alan Alexander Milne and 'Mum Won't Let Me Keep a Rabbit' by Brian Patten. The children also sang the song "When I Grow Up" from the famous musical Matilda. It was lovely to see the children not only learning these poems by heart but also to hear what they had learned about the poets and how it linked with the learning so far this year.

Our Catholic Mission

The Feast of St Thomas Aquinas

On Tuesday 28th January, we will celebrate our Trust's Feast Day of St Thomas Aquinas. This year, it will be even more important because we are going to join with our family of schools to mark the beginning of the Jubilee and explore Pope Francis's theme 'Pilgrims of Hope.'

Next Tuesday, Year 3, 4 and Year 5 Chaplains will join others from across the Trust at English Martyrs Secondary School in Leicester to celebrate Mass with Bishop Patrick McKinney. Letters have been sent home to the parents of those children.



Religious Education (R.E) Termly Newsletter.

Mrs Valente sent the termly R.E newsletter to all parents this week across Arbor. This has Information on what your child will be learning in their R.E lessons this term and some ideas of how you can support their learning at home. We hope that you find it useful.

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.

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

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

CTK are now on Instagram

We are excited to announce that we have created a school Instagram account so we can share all of the amazing learning experiences we provide for our children at CTK with you at home! Please follow us: [Christ The King Catholic Voluntary Academy \(@ctkleicester\)](#) • [Instagram photos and videos](#)

You can also follow us on twitter: [Christ the King Catholic Voluntary Academy \(@CTKLeicester\)](#) / X



Stars of the Week



CTK Infants

R-AG	Liam, Melvin, Arielle, Alicia, Oliwier
R-HM	Liam, Olivia, Azrielle, Ivan, Teodor
R-SL	Jake, Minas, Michael, Wayne, Juan
1RG/SF	Joseph
1LW/KB	Mielat
1ER	The Whole Class
2KK/RH	Mikayla
2NT	Kendi
2SN	Alaina

CTK Juniors

3KR	Jakub
3GH	Ollie
3HB	Adam
Year 4	All of Year 4!
5SF	Marco
5TO	Jordan
5AL	Eserovwe
6SB	Sapphire
6LS	Lucas
6EA	Lena

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

Jaziel (R-AG)	Luis (1ER)	Cillian B (2KK/RH)
Liam (R-HM)	Divine (1RG/SF)	Jovana (2NT)
Jake (R-SL)	Ariella (1KB/LW)	Nnabuihe (2NT)

CTK Juniors

Holly (5AL)	Annabel (3GH)	Dominic (6SB)
Zanitha (3GH)	Dhiya (4GO)	Abram (6SB)





Attendance

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

1st place: Mrs Boyd's class with 100%

2nd Place: Mrs Gibson's and Mrs Featherstone's class with 99.7%

3rd Place: Miss Busby's and Miss Hall's class with 99.3%

Our target is always to have attendance above 97%. Last week, attendance across all year groups was 96.5%. Your support with ensuring all children have a good level of attendance is wonderful. Please remember that excellent attendance leads to amazing achievements.

Here is some [advice](#) on whether you should send your child to school when they are ill.

The CTK Experience - Sports, Clubs and Activities

On Monday, our Year 5 & 6 boys' football team got off to a flying start with two important matches in the Leicester City Division One league. They managed a very respectable 1-1 draw with Alderman Richard Hallam, followed by a convincing 3-0 victory over Braunstone, with Ziorachi and Delaney both on the scoresheet for CTK. Well done, boys! Next up is our girls' team on Monday.

This is part of our CTK Experience. The CTK Experience details the provision that every pupil will experience at CTK beyond the formal educational curriculum. You can read more about this [here](#).

Energy Sparks and CTK's Eco Mission

The Infant and Junior Site had inspiring assemblies with James from Energy Sparks on Monday. We learnt how small, positive changes can make a big difference to combat climate change. Simple things like turning the lights off and the turning the power off to unused devices can make a big difference. James also met with the Eco Warriors on both sites, showing them how we can reduce our energy usage at school. The Eco Warriors are enthusiastic about their next steps, ready to make a big difference by making small changes.





Year 6 SATs Workshop for Parents

Thank you to all parents who joined us for the Year 6 SATs Workshop on Thursday. We hope you found it informative and useful.

The PowerPoint slides have been shared on Arbor if you were unable to attend and can also be found [here](#).

Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening will take place on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th February. We will continue to use the online booking system on Arbor. Online bookings went live on Tuesday 21st January at 5:00pm and will close on Friday 31st January at 12:00pm. If you have children on both sites, please allow 30 minutes between appointments to enable you to attend both bookings.

Online Safety

Please click the following [link](#) which provides advice and information for parents/carers about 'JusTalk Kids' which is a child's version of the Justalk app. We hope you find it useful.

Thought for the week

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer"

Romans 12:12

God bless

Annie Carter and the CTK Team



Dates for the term ahead

Tuesday 28th January	Trust Feast Day—St Thomas Aquinas Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 chaplains to represent CTK at the Trust Mass—livestreamed back to schools
Thursday 30th January	African Drumming Workshop Year 2
Friday 31st January	Mrs Griffin/Mrs Francis Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 9:00am-Infant Site. Parents welcome
Week beginning Monday 3rd February	National Children's Mental Health Week Theme: 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself'
Monday 3rd February	Year 3 trip to King Richard III centre
Wednesday 5th February	Year 5 Space Centre Residential parent information session @ 14:30 Junior Hall
Friday 7th February	Mrs Wooldridge/Mrs Bayliss Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 9:00am—Infant Site Parents welcome
Friday 7th February	Monitoring Reports sent to parent ahead of Parents' Evening
Tuesday 11th February	Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 11th February	Parents' Evening Infants: 3:30pm-7:00pm Juniors: 3.10pm—7.00pm
Tuesday 11th February	Classics Forum for Parents @ 8:30am Junior Site followed by assembly for the Junior Children. Parents welcome to attend.
Wednesday 12th February	Parents' Evening Infants: 3:30pm-5:00pm Juniors: 3.10pm—5.00pm
Friday 14th February	School closes for half term