

Dear Parents/Carers,

It may have been a short week, but it has been a busy one! This week has featured an aspirations visitor, a visit to Loughborough Town Hall and a visit from His Majesty's Inspectors.

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week, the school was inspected by Ofsted. Four of His Majesty's Inspectors were on site after an initial telephone consultation with Mrs Carter on Tuesday. We have received very positive feedback, although we will not be able to share the outcome of the inspection until the publication of the report. We thank the staff for all of their hard work and support during the inspection and also thank the children, many of whom spoke to the inspectors. Finally, we thank our Local Governing Body and the CMAT for their support.

As soon as we are able to do so, we will share the report with you.

Poetry Recitals

This morning we enjoyed a wonderful poetry recital assembly performed by Mrs Ealing's class. Thank you to all the pupils in 5SE for all their hard work and preparation over the past few weeks. The children confidently performed 'Leisure' by W. H. Davies and 'The Witches' Spell from Macbeth by William Shakespeare. We particularly enjoyed hearing them sing 'This Little Light of Mine!' Well done, 5SE!

Catholic Mission

Thank you to all those families who joined us on Sunday to celebrate the Feast of Christ the King at Blessed Sacrament Church. It was a huge success. The children were exceptionally well behaved and read beautifully. We are very proud of them all. Fr John reminded us how we can build the Kingdom of God in our homes and in our school.



Reminder... Advent Fundraiser - Toys on the Table

During Advent, we will be supporting the charity 'Toys on the Table'. We invite you to support our Advent project by bringing in **one new toy or gift** for a boy or girl between the ages of 5-7. We have been asked **not to wrap** the toys because they will be used to create a present parcel containing up to 5 gifts.

Please bring in any donations by **Friday 6th December.**



THE CTK EXPERIENCE

Junior Pantomime Trip

What a lot of excitement there was on Tuesday! All of the children on the Junior Site went to see Snow White at Loughborough Town Hall and it was a huge success. Not only did the children have lots of fun, but for some of them, this was their first trip to the theatre!

Aspirations, Missions and Futures Curriculum

Part of the CTK Experience is providing our children the opportunity to consider how they can use their God-given talents in their future careers and to raise their aspirations for their own futures.

On Tuesday, Mrs Tonge came to talk to Year 1 all about her time as a chef before she became a teaching assistant. The children asked lots of interesting questions and thoroughly enjoyed learning about how to prepare food and what it was like inside a very busy kitchen.



Menphys Carol Concert

On Friday 6th December, our Year 6 choir will join with our family of schools in the St Thomas Aquinas Multi-Academy Trust and perform at De Montfort Hall for the Menphys Christmas Carol Concert. Along with St Patrick's Primary School, Christ The King will be performing 'Because It's Christmas' in front of an audience of 1,500 people. Tickets can be bought directly from the De Montfort Hall website: [WHAT'S ON - De Montfort Hall](https://www.demontforthall.co.uk).

Good luck to our incredible children in Year 6 and thank you to Mrs Pickwell for preparing and coaching the children.





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 Griffin/Mrs Francis and Miss Orrill's classes with 100%

2nd Place: Mrs Allard's class with 99.3%

3rd Place: Miss Busby's class with 99.0%

Our target is always to have attendance above 97%. Last week, attendance across all year groups was 96.6%. 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.

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

REMINDER ...Primary School Applications.

If you have a child who is due to start school in *September 2025*, applications are now open. If you are applying to Christ the King, please 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 of *Wednesday 15 January 2025*. You can view our admission policy on the website [here](#).

CTK Christmas Fair

The PTA are holding a Christmas Fair on **Saturday 7th December** between 11am-2pm and they are organising Christmas discos/parties for all our children. If you can support or help with the preparations of either event, then come along to the next meeting on **Monday 2nd December at 6.00pm** on the Infant Site.

Online Safety

You will find an online safety fact sheet for parents [here](#) and online safety resources for parents and carers [here](#). We hope you find them useful.

Thought for the Week

"Teach up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Proverbs 22:6

God bless,

Annie Carter and the CTK Team



Dates for the term ahead.....

Tues 3rd and Wed 4th December	Year 1 & Year 2 trip - Christmas Performance at the Curve: Pirates Love Underpants
Wednesday 4th December	Junior Advent Celebration of the word @ 2:15pm
Thursday 5th December	Infant Advent Celebration of the word @ 9:00am
Friday 6th December	5SF Class Poetry Recital—Junior Hall @ 2:15pm Parents welcome
Friday 6th December	Menphys Carol Concert (evening)
Saturday 7th December	PTA Christmas Fair 11:00 –14:00 All Families welcome. <i>If you are able to help please contact the school office.</i>
11th—13th December	Y6 Residential Trip to Alton Castle
Tuesday 10th December	Reception Christmas Carols @ 9:15am Parents welcome
Wed 11th December	Reception Christmas Carols @ 2:15pm Parents welcome
Tuesday 10th December	Year 1 Christmas Performance @ 1:30pm Parents welcome
Wed 11th December	Year 1 Christmas Performance @ 9:15am Parents welcome
Tuesday 10th December	Year 1 Workshops with the School Nurse - Healthy Lifestyles
Friday 13th December	EYFS trip - Christmas Performance at the Curve
Friday 13th December	5AL Class Poetry Recital—Junior Hall @ 2:15pm Parents welcome
Monday 16th December	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—Junior Hall @ 2:00pm Parents welcome. Christian Meditation at Infant Site
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas Carol Concerts: Year 3 and 4 @ 12:45– 1:45pm Christmas Carol Concerts: Year 5 and 6 @ 2:00 – 3:00pm
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Carol Concerts: Year 3 and 4 @ 9:00 - 10:00am Christmas Carol Concerts: Year 5 and 6 @ 10:15 –11:15am



Dates for the term ahead continued...

Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day Infant Christmas Parties
Thursday 19th December	PTA Junior Christmas Discos Year 3 and Year 4 @ 5:00-6:00pm Year 5 and Year 6 @ 6:15-7:15pm
Friday 20th December	Christingle Celebration of the Word Infant @ 9:00am Junior @ 2:15pm All parents welcome
Friday 20th December	End of day—school closes for Christmas holidays
Monday 6th January 2025	School reopens