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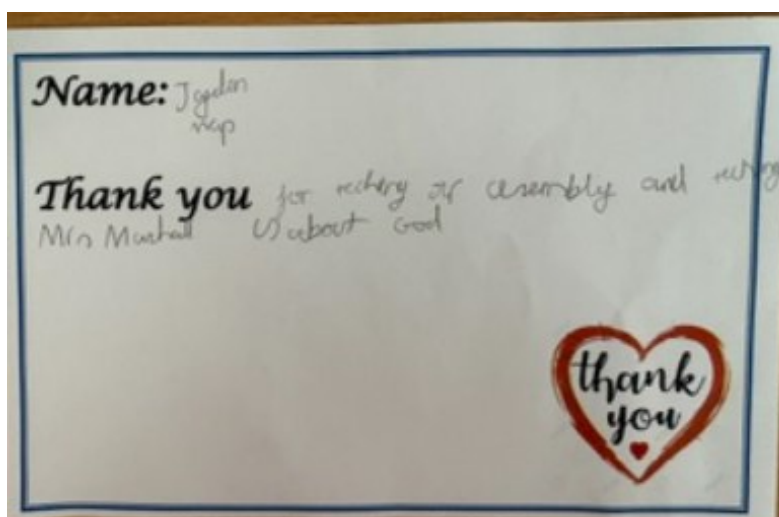
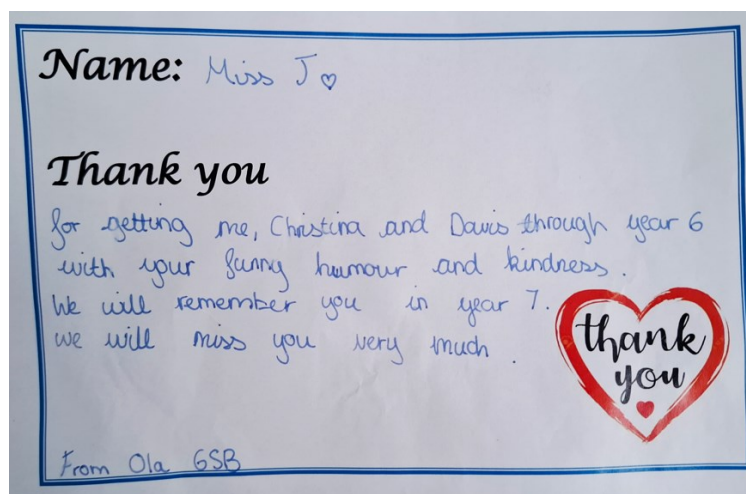
As we head into the half term break, we reflect on all the wonderful things the children have achieved and look forward to the last few weeks of the school year - full of performances, trips, sports day and our summer BBQ!

Poetry Recital 4GO

Thank you to Miss Orrill's class who performed two wonderful poems yesterday morning: 'The Witches Spell from McBeth' and 'Daddy Fell into the Pond' by Alfred Noyes. The children performed with exceptional confidence, clarity and enthusiasm and we are very proud of all of them! Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us.

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..





Mission Monday

This week's Monday Mission focused on the theme of **Communication**. In our Catholic faith, communication is about more than simply speaking and listening; it is about sharing truth, kindness and God's love with others. The children reflected on how we are called to communicate positively, to listen with respect, and to use our words and actions to build others up, following the example of Jesus in our daily lives.

As ever, our Year 2 and Year 6 children provided us with a mission. The Infant Site mission this week was: *Think before we speak – send a message of love to someone this week.*

The Junior Site mission this week was: *Communicate in a kind, respectful way with your words, actions and body language to everybody.*

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 after half term. Please remember to pray for them as they prepare for this very important sacrament.

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

<http://motherofgoddleicester.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 Lawes' class with 99.4%

2nd Place: Miss Hellwig/Mrs Francis' class with 99.3%

3rd Place: Mrs Stone' class with 99.2%

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

CTK Experience continued....

Year 4 Trip to Jewry Wall Museum

Year 4 enjoyed a memorable and highly educational trip to Jewry Wall Museum on Monday. Seeing a real Roman ruin brought to life the learning from our *Life in Roman Leicester* topic earlier this term. We handled genuine Roman artefacts, some of which were nearly 2,000 years old, and discovered how archaeologists in Leicester excavated hundreds of Roman remains across our historic city. Inside the museum, we were able to connect even more closely with the past as we ran our fingers along an ancient mosaic floor and looked with wonder at the preserved footprints of a young Roman child and his dog, impressed into clay almost two millennia ago.



Year 3 Visit Abbey Park

Year 3 enjoyed a field trip to Abbey Park as part of their Geography learning about rivers. Despite the weather, they had a fantastic morning, discussing the features of rivers and canals as they consolidated their learning from the unit. Children were able to articulate the differences they could see between the River Soar and the Grand Union Canal as well getting to see some barges and the loch at Abbey Park. It was a fantastic opportunity for hands-on learning and brought their Geography studies to life!

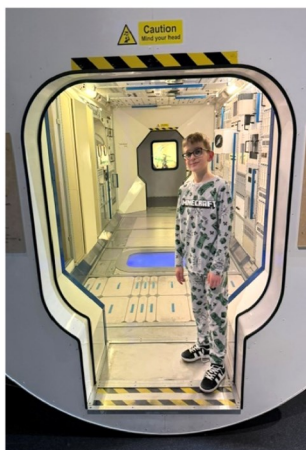
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Year 5 Sleepover at the National Space Centre

Last Friday, our Year 5 children enjoyed an unforgettable sleepover at the National Space Centre in Leicester. The evening was packed with exciting, hands-on experiences that brought science and space exploration to life.

The children enjoyed the live science experiments and were treated to two incredible planetarium shows - one exploring the stars and our solar system and another which looked at the life of an astronaut. They also had the opportunity to use their problem-solving skills with Gravitrax, an interactive marble-run system that uses gravity, magnetism and kinetics to create spectacular tracks.

The children also had access to the centre's immersive space-themed galleries and exhibitions. Both the children and staff had an amazing time and agreed that the trip really was "out of this world!"





Stars of the Week

CTK Infants

R-HM	Bohdan, Ikemba, Melanie, Ayda
R-SL	Mihail, Ayden, Fejiro, Evelyn, Kezia
R-AG	Oluebube, Neriah, Elena, Eveiana, Jewel
1HF	(Trip day)
1ER	(Trip day)
1RH	(Trip day)
2WB	Mila
2NT	Shekina
2SN	JayJay

CTK Juniors

3GH	Efren
3TP	Livia
3KR	Jason
4MH	Reece
4HD	Mia
4GO	Isabelle and Benji Q
5TO	Ephrem
5WG	Ollie
5AL	Charlotte S
6SB	Rachel
6LS	Michael
6SF	Anashe



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 Juniors

Ivy (3KR)	Joanna (3TP)	Ivy (3KR)
Alice (5TO)	Ann (6SF)	

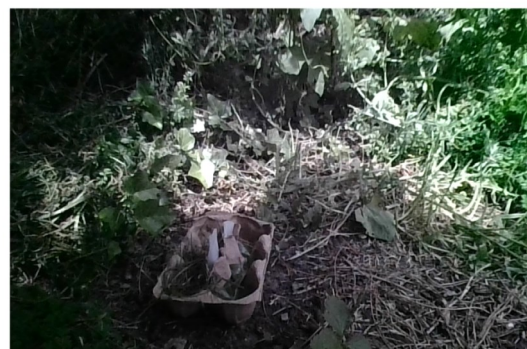
Head of School Award

Infant Site	Aileen (1HF) and Grace (F2AG)
Juniors Site	Nia (3GH)

Congratulations to Aileen, Grace and Nia 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!

Eco Warriors at work!

The Eco-Warriors on the Junior Site have been busy completing one of their latest missions. Using a range of natural and repurposed materials, they created habitats for bugs and insects. We were fortunate to enjoy the lovely weather, which made the experience even more enjoyable as they worked together outdoors. A special thank you to Mrs Bayliss for supporting the children with this activity.



Year 4 Multiplication Check– June 2026

Children in Year 4 will sit their statutory Multiplication Tables Check in June. This is a short online assessment designed to check children's recall of multiplication facts up to 12×12 . Parents and carers can find further details [here](#).

To support preparation at home, children can use the Soundcheck game on Times Tables Rock Stars to practise in a similar format to the check. Regular short practice can really help to build confidence and fluency.





KS2 Girls Football Final

On Wednesday, Mrs Cranston and Mr T took our girls' football team on their final quest of the year to participate in the Inspire Together Girls' Football Final, held at the newly refurbished venue, Beaumont Park.

Overall, 12 teams took part in the event, representing the top two teams from each area of Leicestershire.

The girls started energetically, grinding out two draws and one loss in their opening three games. The afternoon brought similar results, with one draw and two losses, leaving the team finishing in an impressive 5th place overall in the final standings.

What has been so fulfilling this year is the determination and progress shown by the team throughout the season, with only three players having played football before the start of the year. The girls should be incredibly proud of the commitment, resilience and teamwork they have demonstrated.

Well done girls. We are very proud of you all.



Inspire Together KS2 Mixed Cricket Competition

On Thursday this week, Mrs Hargrave and Mr T took two teams of 20 children to a mixed cricket competition, once again organised by Inspire Together and held at Wyggeston and Queen Elizabeth I College.

During this last half-term, our KS2 children have been practising their sending and receiving skills, alongside playing a variety of striking and fielding games during afternoon PE lessons and taking part in quick cricket competitions at lunchtimes.

The children enjoyed a competitive but friendly atmosphere throughout the day, with the opportunity not only to compete, but also to make new friends with children from the 15 other schools participating, representing our school fantastically as always.

A special shout-out goes to Agata and Winter, who were both chosen by a representative from Leicestershire County Cricket Club to receive the 'Spirit of Cricket' award. The girls were recognised for their excellent sportsmanship and positive attitude throughout the day, and each took home a brand-new cricket bat and ball as a reward for their achievement.





Online Safety

This week's online safety guide focuses on Minecraft, offering useful information to help support your child's safe use of the platform. We hope you find it informative. Please click [here](#) to access it.

We strongly encourage all parents and carers to supervise their child's online activity, for example by ensuring electronic devices are used in shared family spaces such as the living room or kitchen.

May half term money-savers

Half term is upon us and we are pleased to share our usual information sheet with some helpful ideas and suggestions to support families in keeping costs down during the break. Please click [here](#) for further information.

Friends of Christ the King Parents' Association

Thank you for all your generous donations today for the summer BBQ.

Our next PTA meeting will be **Monday 8th June @18:00 on the Infant Site**. This will be to finalise plans for our Summer BBQ on Friday 3rd July 5-8pm. *All are welcome.*

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 the PTA via email: pta@ctk.leicester.sch.uk

Thought for the week

"If you ever feel distressed during your day, call upon our Lady, just say this simple prayer: 'Mary, Mother of Jesus, please be a mother to me now.' I must admit, this prayer has never failed me."

Blessed Mother Teresa

God bless,

Annie Carter and the CTK Team



Pentecost 2 Term Dates 2026

Monday 1st June	School reopens - children return to school
Week beginning 1st June	Year 4 Multiplication Timetables Check
Wednesday 3rd June	New Parents' Meeting for children starting school August 2026 on the Infant Site 6:00pm
Wednesday 3rd June	Infant Pentecost Celebration of the Word 9am—Parents welcome Junior Pentecost Celebration of the Word 2:15pm—Parents welcome
Week beginning 8th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
Wednesday 10th June	New Reception children visiting the Infant Site @ 9:30-10:30am Day 1
Friday 12th June	Reception Miss Laycock's Class Poetry Recital Assembly 9:00 am - Infant Site - Parents Welcome
Monday 15th June	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament @ 1:00pm Junior Site
Wednesday 17th June	Transition Morning across school - opportunity for children to meet their new teacher for next academic year
Wednesday 17th June	New Reception children visiting the Infant Site @ 9:30-10:30am Day 2
Thursday 18th June	EYFS Father's Day Afternoon @1:30 –2:30pm Infant Site. Parents Welcome.
Thursday 18th June	Father's Day gifts available for children to buy for £3:00 each.
Friday 19th June	EYFS trip to Stonehurst Farm
Tuesday 23rd June	SPORTS DAY
Thursday 25th June	Year 2 trip to Twycross Zoo
Monday 22nd June	EYFS Celebration Mass led by Fr Hans @ 1:30pm—Infants Site. Parents welcome
Tuesday 23rd June	FIT Coffee Morning for parents— time and location TBC



Important Dates for Pentecost 2 continued..

Friday 26th June	Reception Mrs Gibson's Class Poetry Recital Assembly 9:00am - Infant Site - Parents Welcome
Monday 29th June	Celebration Mass for the children who have made their First Holy Communion this year. 9am Junior Hall—Parents Welcome
Tuesday 30th June	Year 3 First Aid Day
Wednesday 1st July	Year 2 Play performance @ 9:00am Infant hall
Thursday 2nd July	Year 2 Play performance @ 2:15pm Infant hall
Friday 3rd July	<u>CTK Summer BBQ—Junior Site 5-8pm</u>
Friday 3rd July	Reception Mr Mason's Class Poetry Recital Assembly 9:00am - Infant Site - Parents Welcome
Friday 3rd July	Annual Reports shared with parents
Wednesday 8th July	Year 6 Play performances to parents *Ticketed Event* Afternoon performance @ 1:30pm Evening performance @ 5:00pm
Thursday 9th July	Year 6 Leavers Mass @ 10:00am Mother Of God Church Parents welcome
Thursday 9th July	Year 2 End of Term Disco @ 5:15-6:00pm—Junior Hall Year 6 Leavers' Disco @ 6:15-7:15pm—Junior Hall
Friday 10th July	<u>Last day of school for this academic year</u> <u>Usual finishing time of 3pm Junior Site / 3:20pm Infant Site</u>
Wednesday 26th August	School reopens for academic year 2026-27