



Dear Parents/Carers,

Another exciting week at CTK with Mission Week, a live Irish music assembly and a visit to De Montfort University for Year 6!

Our Catholic Mission

Mission Week

'What is our purpose and mission here on Earth?'

This week, the children have been immersed in their mission. The focus has been on their purpose on Earth. Children have explored the Catholic Catechism and the YOUCAT statement "We are here on earth in order to know and to love God, to do good according to his will, and to go someday to heaven". During a Mission assembly led by Mrs Valente, children used religious art and Scripture to discuss their actions and words, and how they continue to know, seek and love God each day. In class, children have thought about Cardinal virtues, theological virtues and Gospel values along with Saints who have shown these in their lives. Children looked at how they can aspire to be like the Saints, continue their faithful journey, and how they might live their lives according to God.

Parish Links

This week, our Year 2 children joined the parishioners at Mother of God Church for Mass. Mrs Valente, our RE Lead, has arranged for all our children to attend Mass at Mother of God before the end of the academic year. This is intended to strengthen our links with the parish and to support your child's spiritual development. Year 4 will be attending Mass at the end of March.

Our school serves two parishes: Blessed Sacrament and St Peters' Parish and Mother of God RC Church. The parish websites contain information about Mass times, confession and Stations of the Cross during the holy season of Lent.

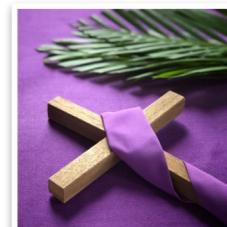
<https://www.westleicestercatholic.org/>

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

We will continue on our Lenten journey next week with confession for Key Stage 2 and a Reconciliation celebration of the Word on Monday 17th March at 9:00am on the Infant Site. This will be led by our infant chaplains. All parents are welcome.

Pope Francis

We continue to pray for Pope Francis who, remains in a stable but critical condition, at the Gemelli Hospital in Rome.





Stars of the Week



CTK Infants

R-AG	Melvin, Liam, Ariya, Poppy, Eman
R-HM	Maya, Chandni, Adonai, Alvaro, Teodor
R-SL	Rosa, Sindara, Jason, Juan L, Ese
1LW/KB	Senuli
1SF/RG	Blaithin
1ER	Maria G
2KK/RH	Joanna J
2NT	Kamali
2SN	Titi

CTK Juniors

3KR	Oliver
3GH	Kacper
3KW	Anaiah
4HD	Agata
4TP	Hugo
4GO	Jesse
5SF	Lily Mae
5TO	Blessing
5AL	Rian
6SB	Michelle
6LS	Emily
6EA	Sharon

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

Jayden (RAG)	Kuba (RHM)	Evelyn-Rose (RSL)	David (1WB)	Blaithin (1RG/SF)
Gladys (1ER)	Nia (2RH/KK)	Presley (2NT)	Johaann (2SN)	Efren (2SN)

CTK Juniors

Olly Z (5TO)	Joed (3KR)	Zofia (6EA)	Yosan (3GH)	Emma (5SF)
Oliver (5SF)	Joshua (4HD)	Christopher (4TP)	Har-Roop (4HD)	Shemi (3GH)



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: Mrs Koenig's and Mrs Hainsworth, Mrs Taylor and Miss Orrill's class with 99.7%

2nd Place: Miss Stone's class with 99.3%

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

Our target is always to have attendance above 97%. Last week, attendance across all year groups was 97.5%. Your support with ensuring all children have a good level of attendance is wonderful. Please remember that excellent attendance leads to amazing achievements.

Please remember that the school cannot authorise any holidays in term time and this can result in you receiving a fine from the Local Authority. Please see [here](#) for information on Penalty Notices.

<u>Attendance Matters</u>		
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

Calling Catholic Teachers

Do you know somebody who is a practising Catholic and who is a teacher or senior leader working in a school outside of the Catholic sector? The Diocese of Nottingham, along with the Catholic Multi-Academy Trusts, are leading a virtual information session about working in a Catholic school on **Wednesday 26 March from 7.00pm – 8.00pm.**

For further information, please contact: Gill Burns at the Diocesan Education Service (gill.burns@nottingham-des.org.uk).

Please [here](#) for more information.

The CTK Experience

Year 6 visit De Montfort University

This week, the Year 6 children experienced a 'You at DMU' day. The trip involved learning about university and the different courses that are offered. The children gained an insight into a day in the life of a student, completing part of their day in a lecture theatre, exploring the campus and even receiving a guided tour of student accommodation. The children thoroughly enjoyed the trip and felt inspired for the future.



From Mr T - Football success for the Girls and Boys at CTK

Over the last few weeks, both of our boys' and girls' football teams have continued to play in the Leicester City Inspire Together: Division 1 Football League.

Our boys recently played games against Stokes Wood and Queensmead Primary, winning one game and losing the other. Nonetheless, I'm delighted to share that the boys have now qualified for the semi-finals of the competition – for the first time in recent history. Well done, boys!

Now for the girls team, they have also recently participated in some matches in Division 1. Unfortunately, they lost 1-0 to Shaftesbury Juniors in a very tightly contested encounter. However, they too have qualified for the semi-finals of the girls competition! Another fantastic first-of-its-kind achievement by the girls! Well done to all involved – we are very proud of your commitment, desire and willingness to 'Believe and Achieve!'



Online Safety

This week's online safety update highlights the risks and concerns of **Squid Game**. Squid Game is a highly popular Netflix series. It is *not* suitable for primary-age children due to its extreme violence, strong language and disturbing themes. Beyond the show itself, there are online risks associated with Squid Game, including exposure to violent clips on platforms like YouTube and Tiktok.

We strongly encourage parents to monitor their child's internet activity, set parental controls on devices, and have open conversations about online safety.

Please see the link below for more information: [Safeguarding Update: Squid Game - Safer Schools](#)

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 on *Tuesday 8th April* and Easter holiday competitions. More details to follow next week.

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

The PTA would like to organise and run more events for the infant and junior children before the end of the year. More parent volunteers are required to help make this happen. Please contact the school office and share your details if you can share your time and talents.

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 Lent Term 2 2024

Monday 17th March	Infants Reconciliation Service @ 9:00am Infant Site Parents Welcome
Monday 17th March	Confessions for KS2 pupils for Lent 13:00 onwards
Friday 21st March	Mrs Russell's Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 14:20 - Junior Site Parents welcome
Tuesday 25th March	Year 4 @De Montfort Hall - Leics Make Music
Tuesday 25th March	Year 6 trip to Beacon Hill
Wednesday 26th March	Year 2 End of Key Stage 1 Expectations @9:00am in Infant Hall Year 2 parents welcome
Wednesday 26th March	Calling Catholic Teachers - 19:00 –20:00 VIRTUAL Microsoft Teams
Friday 28th March	Year 4 attending Mass at Mother Of God Parish Church 10:00
Friday 28th March	Mr Wheatley's Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 14:20 - Junior Site Parents welcome
Monday 31st March	Joint Mass for Year 1 and Year 5 - Junior Hall @14:00 Parents Welcome
Friday 4th April	*Change of Date* Miss Hall's Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 14:20 - Junior Site Parents welcome
Friday 4th April	Year 3 Sponsored Sleepover - more details to follow shortly.
Tuesday 8th & Wednesday 9th April	Year 4 Easter Story Performances to parents/carers 8th April - 9:00 9th April - 14:00
Tuesday 8th April	Easter Egg Hunt - Infant and Junior Site after school. All welcome.
Thursday 9th April	Trophy Assemblies
Friday 11th April	Holy Week Celebration of the Word —Parents Welcome Infant site 9:00 Junior site 14:20
Friday 11th April	School closes for Easter holidays (normal time)
Monday 28th April	Children return to school