



Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to send a congratulatory message to all of our Year 6 children who have taken their SATs, (Standard Assessment Tests), this week alongside all other Year 6 pupils in the country. Their attitude and application were exemplary. They demonstrated resilience and confidence. I am sure that our traditional SATs Breakfasts helped to ease any nerves and fuel their inspiration. Thank you to Mrs Dunbar for organising the breakfasts, the parents for helping and supporting their children, the staff for their encouragement and care and, most of all, to the children for their hard work and dedication.

Poetry Recital 4TP

Thank you to Mrs Pickwell's class who performed two brilliant poems this afternoon: *A Tiger's Tale* by John Bennett and *The Engine Driver* by Clive Samson. Whilst learning about the poems, the children focused on rhythmic repetition to engage the listener. The children performed with confidence and enthusiasm and we are very proud of all of them! Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us today.

Our Catholic Mission

Mrs Pickwell and Mrs Valente led a special assembly this week on the newly elected Pope Leo XIV and his message of unity, compassion and hope. The children were encouraged to think about how they can build bridges through acts of kindness this week.



Resurrection Celebration of the Word

On Wednesday morning, the infant children gathered to celebrate Jesus' Resurrection. During our Celebration of the Word, children brought flowers to represent the new life we are given in Christ. Children listened to Luke's Gospel where he tells the story of Jesus' Resurrection. We thought about how we are servants of Jesus, and our mission is to spread the Good News. Through song and sign language, the children showed how we can praise and thank Jesus and raised the roof in prayer... as St. Augustine said, 'The one who sings, prays twice'.





Resurrection Liturgy

Our Junior Chaplaincy team will be leading a Resurrection Liturgy next **Thursday 22nd May at 14.15 on the Junior Site**. We would like all the children to bring in one fresh flower on Wednesday 21st May to place on our 'Christ the King Cross'. **(Please do not bring in your flowers before Tuesday 20th May)**. It would be wonderful if you could join us. Thank you for your continued support.



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

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

<http://motherofgodleicester.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: Mrs Griffin/Mrs Francis, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Russell, Mrs Pickwell and Mrs Featherstone's classes with 100%

2nd Place: Miss Lawes' class with 99.6%

3rd Place: Miss Hall's class with 99.2%

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 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 - please contact the office to discuss potential support.

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



Stars of the Week

CTK Infants

R-AG	Poppy, Oluwatise, Daniel, Harrison and Liam
R-HM	Neithal, Chandni, Maya-Rose, Amaiyah-Rose and Oliver
R-SL	Jonathan, Juan F, Julia, Ensha and Jason
1SF/RG	Tracy
1WB	Jacob
1ER	Jerom
2SN	Revaeh
2NT	Martha
2KK/RH	Seana

CTK Juniors

3GH	Chelsey
3KR	Seb
3KW	Anjola
4TP	Gabriela
4HD	Lily
4GO	Owen
5TO	Zuzanna T
5SF	Amanda
5AL	Jayden
6LS	The whole of Y6!
6SB	
6EA	



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

Parascheva (RSL)	Daniel (RHM)	Oliwier (RAG)	Janell (1RG/SF)
Joshua (1WB)	Reign (1ER)	Anna (2SN)	Evelyn (2NT)

CTK Juniors

Jordan (5TO)	Saoirse (5AL)	Sonia (3KR)	Lionel (4TP)
Romeo (4TP)	Ruby (3KW)	Joanna (3KW)	



Head of School Award

Congratulations to Kidston and Omari who have received the 'Head of School' Award this week. Mrs Glassford and Mrs Marshall/Mrs Valente nominate children each week for something marvellous they have noticed. Well done!

Infant Site	Kidston (2NT)
Juniors Site	Omari (3KW)

Notes of Appreciation

This week we have revisited the virtue of gratitude with our children. Thanking others for their help does wonders for our mental health. We will be encouraging the children to end the half term by showing gratitude to somebody. A handwritten note is best because it encourages the children to *think* about how others have helped them. Please talk to your children about who they would like to thank next week. The children can collect a thank you note template from their class teacher.



CTK Community Coffee Morning - Wednesday 4th June.



CTK Community Coffee Morning and Forest School



- Wednesday 4th June
- 8:45-10am
- Infant Playground and Library

Join us for a pre-schoolers' Forest School session and refreshments.

Pre-schoolers can enjoy an outdoor learning session led by our Forest School practitioners, whilst parents find out more about how we support our children to learn in nature.

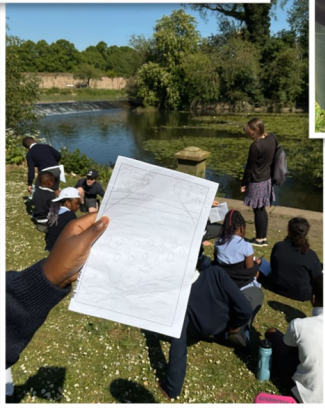
You do not need to be accompanied by a child to come and join in. Please pass the invite on to any prospective parents and their pre-schoolers.

Coffee and refreshments will be provided.

The CTK Experience

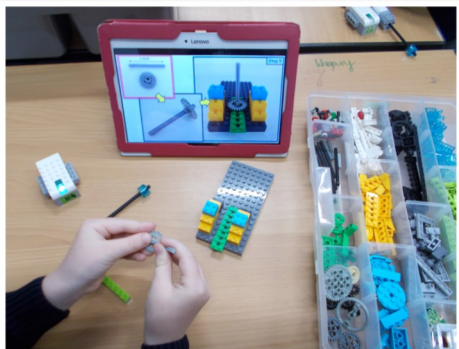
Year 3 Visit Abbey Park

Year 3 enjoyed a field trip to Abbey Park as part of their Geography learning about the local River Soar. Equipped with their Geo-jotters, the children explored the natural environment, observing local wildlife along the riverbanks, carefully sketching the river and discussing its features. The children compared the river to the canal, helping them to understand the differences between physical and human features. The trip was a fantastic opportunity for hands-on learning and brought their Geography studies to life!



Year 2 Lego Workshop

The Year 2 children enjoyed some STEM learning through Lego. They were able to use their knowledge about axles from our Cars DT unit and coding skills from Computing to make a motor move in different ways. After the opportunity to explore what the motor could do, the children built their own merry-go-round from Lego. Once complete, the children used coding to set direction and speed and control whether there were any sounds or different colours used.





Online Safety

This week's online safety guide looks at influencers and the ways that some of their content can affect self-esteem, attitudes towards material wealth and their general view of the world. Please click [here](#) to access the guide.

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 27th June: 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. If you would be willing to provide a food stall for our summer BBQ, or can help in any way, please contact the school via the school office email: office@ctk.leicester.sch.uk

The children are invited to come into school in **non-uniform** on **Friday 23rd May**. In exchange, we would ask parents to consider making donations for the summer BBQ prizes of chocolates, bottles and teddies.

Ice Poles on Sale Every Friday Infant and Junior site

With the help of our Year 6 pupils, the Parents Association will be selling Ice Poles every Friday after school until the end of the academic year. They will cost 50p each and the profits will be used to buy new equipment to support us as we integrate Forest School into our whole school curriculum so more children will be able to access the learning and benefit from the provision.



Thought for the week

"God loves us. God loves you all and evil will not prevail. We are all in God's hands" Pope Leo XIV

God bless,

Annie Carter and the CTK Team



Dates for the week ahead....

Monday 19th May	Year 4 Bosworth Trip
Tuesday 20th May	Year 1 Parents Maths Workshop @ 9:00am Infant Site
Thursday 22nd May	Resurrection Celebration of the Word Juniors @ 2:15 All parents Welcome
Friday 23rd May	Mr Dunn's Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 14:20 - Junior Site Parents welcome
Friday 23rd May	Non-Uniform Day for all pupils in exchange for donations for the summer BBQ prizes of chocolate, bottles, and teddies please
Monday 26th May—Friday 30th May	Half term holiday - School closed

Dates for Pentecost 2

Monday 2nd June	School reopens
Week beginning 2nd June	Year 4 Multiplication Timestables Check
Wednesday 4th June	FIT Team Coffee Morning - Forest School session - Infant Site
Monday 9th June	Year 3 and Year 4 Joint Mass led by Fr Hans
Monday 9th June	New Parents' Meeting on the Infant Site @18:00
Week beginning 9th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
Wednesday 11th June	Transition Morning across school—opportunity for children to meet their new teacher for next academic year
Wednesday 11th June	Day 1 New Reception children visiting the Infant Site—Infant Site @ 9:30-10:30
Thursday 12th June	Father's Day gifts available for children to buy for £3.00 each.
Thursday 12th June	EYFS Father's Day Afternoon @13:30 –14:30 Infant Site
Friday 13th June	Reception Miss Laycock's Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 9:00 Infant Site—Parents Welcome



Important Dates for Pentecost 2 continued....

Monday 16th June	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament @13:00 Junior Site
Wednesday 18th June	Day 2 New Reception children visiting the Infant Site—Infant Site @ 9:30-10:30
Friday 20th June	EYFS visit Stonehurst Farm
Monday 23rd June	Year 6 visiting English Martyrs to watch Grease TBC
Monday 23rd June	EYFS Celebration Mass led by Fr Hans
Tuesday 24th June	SPORTS DAY - CHANGE OF DATE
Friday 27th June	<u>CTK Summer BBQ—Junior Site @ 17:00-20:00</u>
Friday 27th June	Reception Mr Mason's Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 9:00 Infant Site—Parents Welcome
Monday 30th June	Trophy Assemblies
Tuesday 1st July	Year 3 Chicken Wire Workshop
Thursday 3rd July	Year 6 trip to the Warning Zone - Personal Development focus
Thursday 3rd July	Year 2 trip to Twycross Zoo
Friday 4th July	Reception Mrs Gibson's Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 9:00 Infant Site—Parents Welcome
Friday 4th July	Annual Reports shared with parents
Monday 7th July	Celebration Mass for the children who have made their First Holy Communion this year. @ 9:00 Junior Hall—Parents Welcome
Monday 7th July	Year 1 End of Term Disco @ 15:30 –16:15
Wednesday 9th July	Year 6 Play performances to parents *Ticketed Event* Afternoon performance @ 13:30 Evening performance @ 17:00
Thursday 10th July	Year 6 Leavers' Liturgy @ 14:00 Parents welcome
Thursday 10th July	Year 2 End of Term Disco @ 17:15-18:00—Junior Hall Year 6 Leavers' Disco @ 18:15-19:15—Junior Hall
Friday 11th July	<u>Last day of school for this academic year</u> <u>Usual finishing time of 15:00 Junior Site / 15:20 Infant Site</u>
Thursday 28th August	School reopens for academic year 2025-26