



Dear Parents/Carers,

This afternoon we enjoyed a wonderful poetry recital assembly performed by Mr Wheatley's class. Thank you to all the pupils in 3KW for all their hard work and preparation over the last week. The children confidently performed 'On the Ning Nang Nong' by Spike Milligan and 'The Land of Counterpane' by Robert Louis Stevenson. It was lovely to see the children performing them with confidence and zeal!

Our Catholic Mission

On Monday, Catherine from CAFOD delivered an assembly on both the Infant and Junior Sites. She spoke about the work that CAFOD does and how the money that we raise at CTK will benefit so many people. We learnt about the 'disco chickens' purchased with our contributions. CAFOD's partners look after the chickens and eat and sell the eggs. The 'disco women' work together to provide for many different families and are supported by our contributions.



Faith in Action

Thank you to all the children and their families who have contributed to our CAFOD fundraising activities during Lent.

On Thursday, 4GO completed a 10,000 step sponsored walk to raise money for CAFOD. The children of 4GO went above and beyond in their fundraising efforts, raising a total of £391.80, with some sponsorships still to collect. Although it was challenging at times, the children showed resilience and determination. All of the adults and children would like to thank the families and friends of 4GO, for their incredible generosity and support. Well done to Miss Orrill's class.



We are looking forward to the Year 3 Sponsored Sleepover next Friday. Well done to all the Year 3 children who have volunteered and thank you to all their friends and family who are sponsoring them. This is a fantastic opportunity for our children to put their Faith into action.



Parish Links

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://motherofgoddleicester.co.uk/>



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 Pickwell's class with 99.7%

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

3rd Place: Mrs Russell's class with 99.0%

Our target is always to have attendance above 97%. Last week, attendance across all year groups was 96.3%. 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.

Stomping Around Leicester

Christ the King has joined the *Stomp Round Leicester herd* and will be helping to raise funds for LOROS Hospice. Thank you for the Elephant designs so far - we have seen a lot of creative flair.

All designs need to be returned to the class teacher or the office next week by **Tuesday 1st April** to be considered for part of the final design. Thank you for your continued support.





Stars of the Week



CTK Infants

R-AG	Daniel , Scarlett, Adam A, Ariya, Malachi
R-HM	Layla, Aileen, Amaiyah, Ruby, Sophia
R-SL	Elizabeth-Anne, Marley, Sindara, Jon, Louis
1LW/KB	Viktor
1SF/RG	Amelia
1ER	Elvira
2KK/RH	Dhruv
2NT	Leo
2SN	Livia

CTK Juniors

3GH	Amelia A
3KR	Solomon
3KW	Jasmine
4GO	Andrea
4TP	London
4HD	Noah
5TO	Shawn
5SF	Yudayah
5AL	Maya
6EA	Emmett
6SB	Leo
6LS	Nathan G

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

Loyiso (RAG)	Rosa (RSL)	Ivan (RHM)	Maria (1ER)	Mielat (1WB)
Antonio (1RG/SF)	Kaden (2NT)	CeCe (2SN)	Malachi (2RH/KK)	

CTK Juniors

Imogen L (4GO)	Joanna (3GH)	Kezia (3GH)
Suzanna B (5TO)	Abe (3GH)	Kyria (3KR)





The CTK Experience

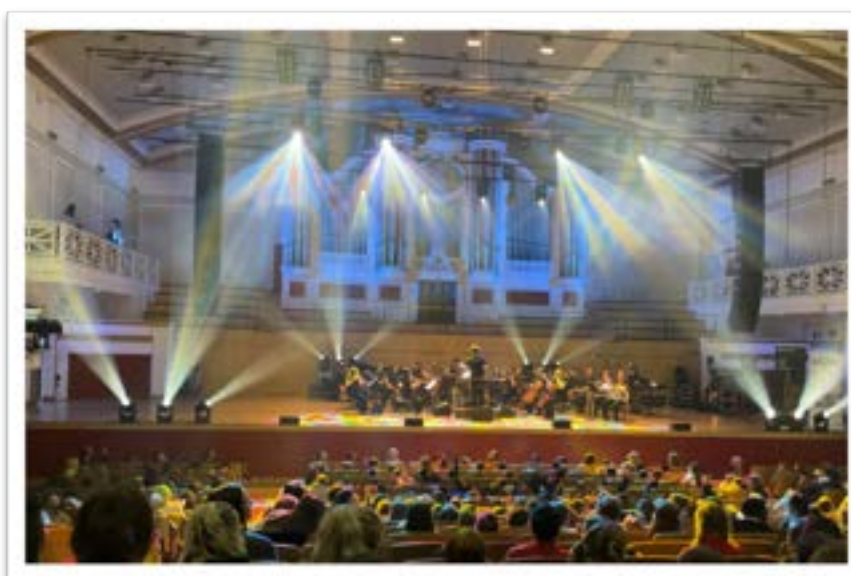
Year 6 visit Beacon Hill

On Tuesday, the Year 6 children enjoyed a trip to Beacon Hill to begin their new geography unit. They created field sketches and carried out directional mapping of the view from the trig point at the top of the hill, completed random sampling to see which geographical features could be found and they then also did a spot of orienteering, reading the map of the park as they went. A fantastic morning was had by all and the children are looking forward to beginning their mapping unit now they have had some real-life experience.



Year 4 Visit De Montfort Hall

On Tuesday, Year 4 visited De Montfort Hall to take part in the Leicester Make Music Festival. This was organised by the Leicestershire Music Service and aimed at encouraging children to learn instruments. The children listened to a range of music performed by the Birmingham Conservatoire Leap Orchestra and accompanying singers. It was a fantastic day and wonderful experience for our children.





The CTK Experience

Performance, Culture and Creativity - Cornet Performance

Part of the CTK experience is providing all the children an opportunity to learn a musical instrument. Children in Year 3 have had the opportunity to learn the cornet this year.

On Monday, 3GH performed a number of songs on the Cornet to a very high standard which included the classic, *Hot Cross Buns!* We were blown away by their progress following only 10 weeks of music tuition with Mr Vince. We hope that many of the children will have been inspired by their sessions with Mr Vince and decide to take up a musical instrument in years to come.



Special visitors at CTK Infant Site!

The Infant site children have thoroughly enjoyed observing the ducklings in their classrooms this week as the ducklings explored water and learned to swim! Thank you to Mrs Francis for organising this lovely experience for the children this term.





REMINDER...Online Safety Advice and Workshop for Parents - Wednesday 2nd April

Please see the information poster [here](#) about a virtual online safety workshop for parents next Wednesday 2nd April @ 9:00 - 10:00. This will teach you how to help your children explore their favourite apps, games and sites safely. In order for the workshop to go ahead, we require confirmation from at least 15 participants. Please complete the online form below if you would like to attend: <https://forms.office.com/e/Qp6LDRZUT0>

Friends of Christ the King Parents Association

Friends of Christ the King Parents Association are running an Easter Egg Hunt on Tuesday 8th April on the Infant and Junior Site. Details have been shared this week across Arbor.

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.

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



Police Parking Operation

This week the Police discreetly visited a number of Primary Schools to observe parking around and near to the schools. Dangerous and inconsiderate parking was noted outside Christ the King. Police and council officials will continue to patrol the area in order to ensure that the rules are obeyed. We ask ALL parents to respect our neighbours and safeguard our children by parking legally, safely and with courtesy. Those continuing to put young children at risk will receive a fine. Please see the link below:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1BYKS5oLEi/>



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](#)

Year 2 Parent Meeting - End of Year Expectations

Thank you to all the parents who joined us on Wednesday for the 'End of Year Expectations' meeting in the Infant hall. We hope you found it useful. Please see [here](#) for the presentation if you were unable to attend.

Story Time Coffee Morning

Leicester Library Services will be joining us for our next coffee morning on **Wednesday 9th April**. Bring toddlers and pre-schoolers along to hear a story and find out more about encouraging your child to have a love of books. Hot cross buns and other refreshments will be available.

All parents, carers, grandparents, siblings, etc are welcome and please invite any prospective parents and children that you might know along too.



Story time coffee morning



- Wednesday 9th April
- 8:45-10am
- Infant Library

Join Ctk and Leicester Library Services for pre-schoolers story time and refreshments.

Pre-schoolers can enjoy a story and parents can find out more about supporting their child to develop a love of books.

Coffee and refreshments will be provided.



EYFS Mother's Day Crafts



We had a fantastic turn out for our EYFS Mothers Day Morning this morning. Lots of our families joined us to celebrate by taking part in different arts and crafts, decorating biscuits as well as snuggling up to read a story together. Thank you to all of our families that joined us, we hope you had a lovely morning!



Thought for the week

"Repent says the Lord, the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand".

Mt 4: 17

God bless.

Annie Carter and the CTK Team

Dates for Lent Term 2 2024

Monday 31st March	Joint Mass for Year 1 and Year 5 - Junior Hall @14:00 Parents Welcome
Tuesday 1st April	Elephant designs to be returned to the class teacher or the office for LOROS
Wednesday 2nd April	NSPCC Online Safety Workshop for ALL parents @9:00am Infant Site.
Friday 4th April	Miss Hall's Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 14:20 - Junior Site Parents welcome
Friday 4th April	Year 3 Sponsored Sleepover - *separate correspondence has been sent out to all Year 3 parents* Arrival no earlier than 8:30pm
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.
Wednesday 9th April	Coffee Morning including pre school story session. All parents welcome 8:45 - 10:00am Infant Site Library
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
Tuesday 29th April	PTA meeting @18:00 on the Infant Site. All Parents welcome