



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a great start to the Pentecost Term with an assembly on the virtue of hard work, art club, Easter competition winners and the election of new House Captains in Years 2 and 6.

Thank you to Miss Orrill's class who performed two brilliant poems this morning: 'The Witch's Spell' from McBeth and 'Daddy Fell into the Pond' by Alfred Noyes. 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

### **The Virtue of Hard Work**

This week, Mrs Glassford and Mrs Valente explored the virtue of hard work. The children listened to the Parable of the Talents. The children are encouraged to recognise and use their gifts by working hard and making the most of them. They learned about Saint Joseph –the patron saint of workers, the adopted father of Jesus and a model of hard work and prayer. They also learned about St Benedict. His motto – “Ora et Labora” in Latin, “Pray and Work” in English - also provides a wonderful example for all Christians.

The children have been explicitly taught all the behaviours that show hard work and the CTK team will give praise and rewards for children showing the virtue of hard work this half term.

### **Resurrection Liturgy**

Our Infant chaplaincy team will be preparing and leading a Resurrection Celebration of the Word next Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 9.00am on the Infant Site. We would like all the children to bring in one fresh flower on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May to place on our 'Christ the King Cross'. **(Please do not bring in your flowers before Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May).** It would be wonderful if you could join us. Thank you for your continued support.



### **Habenus Papam!**

May the Lord bless His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV. Cardinal Robert Prevost, an American Cardinal, was elected Pope yesterday. Please remember him in your prayers and please continue to pray for the soul of Pope Francis.





## Stars of the Week

### CTK Infants

|        |                                 |
|--------|---------------------------------|
| R-HM   | Isabel, Aarya, Azrielle, Izhaaq |
| R-SL   | Hannah, Grace, Marley, Louis    |
| R-AG   | Amarah, Arielle, Aadav, Adam.A  |
| 1RG/SF | Olamide                         |
| 1ER    | Solana                          |
| 1WB    | Shekinah                        |
| 2RH/KK | Ksenia                          |
| 2NT    | Peculiar                        |
| 2SN    | Reya                            |

### CTK Juniors

|     |           |
|-----|-----------|
| 3GH | Emmanuel  |
| 3KW | Kevin S   |
| 3KR | Blathnaid |
| 4TP | Lena      |
| 4HD | Aston     |
| 4GO | Henry     |
| 5TO | Mark      |
| 5SF | Caolan    |
| 5AL | Jasmine   |
| 6LS | Lucas     |
| 6SB | Jack      |
| 6EA | Lacey-Rey |



## 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

|               |                |              |                |              |
|---------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| Daniel (RAG)  | Chandni (RHM)  | Iko (RSL)    | Barney (1ER)   | Jayden (1WB) |
| Alan (1RG/SF) | Emmanuel (2NT) | Revaeh (2SN) | Irine (2RH/KK) |              |

### CTK Juniors

|               |                |               |             |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|
| Sonia (3KR)   | Georgina (6LS) | Danny (6SB)   | Yosan (3GH) |
| Tilly (4TP)   | Julia (5TO)    | Anashe (5SF)  | Ivy (6EA)   |
| Charlie (6LS) | Muna (3KW)     | Desmond (5SF) |             |



## Head of School Awards

|             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| Infant Site | Ava (2SN)    |
| Junior Site | Amelia (6EA) |

Congratulations to Ava and Amelia who received the 'Head of School' Award this week from Mrs Valente and Mrs Glassford. Well done!

### 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 Taylor's class with 99.3%**

**2nd Place: Mrs Russell and Mrs Allard's classes with 99.0%**

**3rd Place: Miss O'Dedra's class with 98.7%**

Our target is always to have attendance above 97%. Last week, attendance across all year groups was 96.0%. 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.

### KS2 SATs

Please keep in your prayers all of our Year 6 pupils who are taking their end of key stage assessments next week. They have worked very hard and we are very proud of each and every one of them. Please make sure they attend school on time each day next week. Pancakes, croissants, fruit and juice will be provided by the school for the children to enjoy in the morning.

### EYFS Maths Workshop

Thank you to all the parents who joined us this week for the EYFS Maths Parent Workshop. Please click [here](#) to see the slides if you were unable to attend.

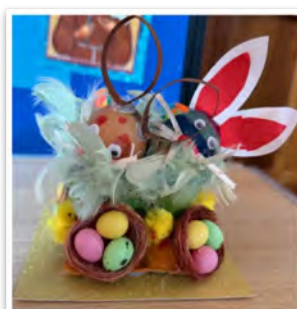
### Year 1 Maths Parent Workshop

On Tuesday 20th May at 9:00am Mrs Griffin will be hosting a Y1 Maths Workshop for parents and carers. The purpose of the workshop will be to explain the different mathematical methods the children are taught during Y1—they may be very different to what we were taught at school! We will also discuss the best ways you can support your child at home and ways of making maths enjoyable and fun. All parents and carers are very welcome. We hope that you can join us.

## Easter Competitions

Thank you to all the children who have taken part in our Easter competitions. We were very impressed with the artistic flair and colourful creations– from Easter Bonnets to grand egg designs to creative Easter Gardens. 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes have been distributed to all our winners in each year group this week. Well done to everyone who took part and a particular congratulations to our winners below! Thank you to all our parents for your continued support too.

|                  | 1st           | 2nd          | 3rd         |
|------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| <b>Reception</b> | Liam R-HM     | Rosa R-SL    | Jayden R-AG |
| <b>Year 1</b>    | Barney 1ER    | Grace 1RG/SF | Charlie 1WB |
| <b>Year 2</b>    | Callum 2RH/KK | Bianka 2SN   | Memphys 2NT |
| <b>Year 3</b>    | Anaiah 3KW    | Amelia 3GH   | Kacper 3GH  |
| <b>Year 4</b>    | Finley 4TP    | Michelle 4TP | Maya 4GO    |
| <b>Year 5</b>    | Zofia 5TO     | Holleigh 5AL | Noah 5TO    |
| <b>Year 6</b>    | Hector 6LS    | Sophia 6SB   | Hannah 6EA  |





## **CTK Experience**

We are delighted that we are able to offer a wide range of enrichment clubs to our children. Most of them are run by staff from our school and are free!

Our KS1 art club started with a bang this week with Miss Rawlings, Mrs Wood and Miss Helwig. The children loved exploring the different open-ended activities including: mixed media collage, painting and sketching. Over the next two weeks the children will learn how to paint onto canvas and will explore the exciting world of clay. They will learn how to roll, pinch and shape clay into different forms and use tools to add texture and detail.



We also have the following clubs that will be led by our children for our children starting next week:

- Origami Club (organised by Julia, Tamiya and Imogen from Year 4)
- Lego Club (organised by Owen and Sebastian in Year 3. Albie and Oholiab from Year 4)
- Colouring Club (organised by Sonia 3KR)

Thank you to Miss Orrill for facilitating and organising these experiences for our children.



## House Captains

Last Friday, we had our House Assemblies and the children have nominated new House Captains for this term. Thank you to all our Year 2 and Year 6 children who put themselves forward for this important responsibility and congratulations to our new elected House Captains.

|                      | Year 2             | Year 6                |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>St Francis</b>    | Kamali and Paris   | Lacey-Rey and Rai'den |
| <b>St John Bosco</b> | Evanna and Arthur  | Rita and Samuel       |
| <b>St Bernadette</b> | Memphys and Ksenia | Axl and Githikaa      |
| <b>St Anne</b>       | Lily and Logan     | Harvey and Arrabella  |



## Friends of Christ the King Parents' Association

Our next Parents' Association meeting will be **Tuesday 20th May @ 6pm - Infant Site** where we will be preparing for our most important fundraising event of the year: The Summer BBQ on **Friday 27th June @ 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 school via the school office email: [office@ctk.leicester.sch.uk](mailto:office@ctk.leicester.sch.uk)

As always, many thanks for your continued support.

## 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.

## Online Safety

This week's online safety guide provides 10 top tips on supporting parents and carers with Encouraging Open Conversations at home. We hope you find it useful. Please click [here](#) to access it.

We strongly advise all parents to supervise their child's online activity by keeping the electronic devices in communal areas of the house such as in the living room or kitchen.



## **Parking**

### **Respect for our Neighbours and each other**

A number of distressed parents have reported dangerous and inconsiderate parking to the school. As a Catholic community, we are called to demonstrate love and respect for our neighbours and each other. I therefore ask that ALL parents respect our neighbours and fellow parents and avoid parking on driveways, double yellow lines or on the zig-zag lines outside of the school. Inconsiderate parking is a danger to our children and we all have a responsibility to be considerate and obey the law. Local police have been notified.

## **Thought for the week**

*"God is not only true but Truth itself"*

*Pope Leo XIII*

God bless,

Annie Carter and the CTK Team



## Dates for the half term ahead

|                                   |                                                                                       |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday 12th May—Thursday 15th May | Year 6 SATs Week                                                                      |
| Wednesday 14th May                | Year 3 Abbey Park Trip                                                                |
| Wednesday 14th May                | Resurrection Celebration of the Word<br>Infants @ 9:00 All parents Welcome            |
| Friday 16th May                   | Mrs Pickwell's Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 14:20 - Junior Site<br>Parents welcome |
| Friday 16th May                   | Year 6 Lane7 Trip                                                                     |
| 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<br>Juniors @ 2:15 All parents Welcome            |
| Friday 23rd May                   | Mr Dunn's Class Poetry Recital Assembly @ 14:20 - Junior Site<br>Parents welcome      |
| Monday 26th May—Friday 30th May   | Half term holiday—School closed                                                       |



## Important Dates for Pentecost 2

|                            |                                                                                                            |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday 2nd June            | School reopens                                                                                             |
| Week beginning 2nd June    | Year 4 Multiplication Timestables Check                                                                    |
| Wednesday 4th June         | <b>FIT Team Coffee Morning - Forest School session - Infant Site</b>                                       |
| Monday 9th June            | <b>Year 3 and Year 4 Joint Mass led by Fr Hans</b>                                                         |
| Monday 9th June            | <b>New Parents' Meeting on the Infant Site @18:00</b>                                                      |
| 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        | <b>New Reception children visiting the Infant Site—Infant Site @ 9:30-10:30</b><br>Day 1                   |
| Thursday 12th June         | <b>EYFS Father's Day Afternoon @13:30 –14:30 Infant Site</b>                                               |
| Friday 13th June           | <b>Reception Miss Laycock's Class Poetry Recital Assembly</b><br><b>@ 9:00 Infant Site—Parents Welcome</b> |
| Monday 16th June           | <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament @13:00 Junior Site</b>                                               |
| Wednesday 18th June        | <b>New Reception children visiting the Infant Site—Infant Site @ 9:30-10:30</b><br>Day 2                   |
| <b>Friday 20th June</b>    | <b>EYFS visit Stonehurst Farm</b>                                                                          |
| Monday 23rd June           | <b>Year 6 visiting English Martyrs to watch Grease</b>                                                     |
| Monday 23rd June           | <b>EYFS Celebration Mass led by Fr Hans</b>                                                                |
| <b>Wednesday 25th June</b> | <b>SPORTS DAY</b>                                                                                          |
| Friday 27th June           | <b><u>CTK Summer BBQ—Junior Site @ 17:00-20:00</u></b>                                                     |
| Friday 27th June           | <b>Reception Mr Mason's Class Poetry Recital Assembly</b><br><b>@ 9:00 Infant Site—Parents Welcome</b>     |
| Monday 30th June           | <b>Trophy Assemblies</b>                                                                                   |
| Tuesday 1st July           | <b>Year 2 Play Performance @ 9:00 Infant Hall</b>                                                          |
| Tuesday 1st July           | <b>Year 3 Chicken Wire Workshop</b>                                                                        |
| Wednesday 2nd July         | <b>Year 2 Play Performance @ 14:15 Infant Hall</b>                                                         |
| Thursday 3rd July          | <b>Year 6 trip to the Warning Zone - Personal Development focus</b>                                        |
| Thursday 3rd July          | <b>Year 2 trip to Twycross Zoo</b>                                                                         |



## Important Dates for Pentecost 2

|                      |                                                                                                                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Friday 4th July      | Reception Mrs Gibson's Class Poetry Recital Assembly<br>@ 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*<br>Afternoon performance @ 13:30<br>Evening performance @ 17:00     |
| Thursday 10th July   | Year 6 Leavers' Liturgy @ 14:00<br>Parents welcome                                                                       |
| Thursday 10th July   | Year 2 End of Term Disco @ 17:15-18:00—Junior Hall<br>Year 6 Leavers' Disco @ 18:15-19:15—Junior Hall                    |
| Friday 11th July     | <u>Last day of school for this academic year</u><br><u>Usual finishing time of 15:00 Junior Site / 15:20 Infant Site</u> |
| Thursday 28th August | School reopens for academic year 2025-26                                                                                 |