

7th May 2021

Christ the King News

Dear Parents and Carers,

This May is an important month for us as we remember our mother in heaven, Mary.

Next Friday 21st May we will be having our **May Day** celebrations. Please could each child bring in some flowers as each bubble will process to the grotto at the church to present their flowers. If your child has a rosary, please could they bring it in on this day too.

Covid-19 Risk Assessment

Each month we are reviewing our covid-19 restrictions and control measures and as we do the updated risk assessment will be posted on our website. Recent updates include:

- Up to 30 pupils may now sing (full volume) inside.
- Bubbles may share an indoor space so long as the room is large enough to segregate and separate bubbles and is well ventilated.
- Staff may work across bubbles however pupils in bubbles do not mix.

We continue to ask all adults on-site to wear a mask at drop off and pick up!

Social Distancing

Please remember to maintain 2 metres distance from other parents and families when waiting outside school at the start of the day or at home time. This also includes those queuing for breakfast club. It is ok to politely ask another person to give you 2 metres – the more we vocalise this the more we all remember.

Church Car Park

The Church Car Park is out of bounds for use by the school. Please can all parents park on the roads and walk that little further.

After School Clubs

With the gradual easing of COVID 19 restrictions we are able to cautiously re-establish after school clubs. This term we are starting with bubble sports clubs run by Planet Education, one for each year group bubble.

If you would like more information about these clubs, please liaise with the class teacher who will have details.

We hope to reintroduce more after school activities next term.

Laudato Si

Care for our common home, for plant life, animal life including human life is important. the image below is a lovely reminder for us. We all play a part in creating a better future for our children. The time to act is now. The children use Greta Thunberg as a role model. We can all see and judge problems in this world but how do we act for the greater good?



Musical Achievement

Well done to Michael in Year 5 took part in an online project with Soundstorm during lockdown to create a virtual Orchestra!! Here is the link for you to watch and enjoy. They are going to be doing another project later this year, and it would be wonderful for more children to take part! https://youtu.be/Woavb7eVJJA

Celebration of Learning

Pre-School have started looking at the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar. They have enjoyed painting their very own caterpillars and are getting brilliant at retelling the story!







Year 6 World War Two Art





This next photo sums up many things for me about our school – children enjoying their learning, collaboration and looking at life through different perspectives. What a great way to learn about the world. Who would have thought this was a Geography lesson?

Year 2 playing around the world twister!



Applying for a place at Christ the King School

BCP still manage our admissions, however we still urge families to complete our school application forms which are available from our office or online. This year our new parents' presentation will be held virtually in June and followed up with opportunities for scheduled visits when the school is not in session. To find out more about our school and ethos please follow the link below and share with family and friends: https://youtu.be/33ZmKW4ipS4

National Walking Month

May is <u>National Walking Month</u> and will include our annual 'Walk to School' Week. (17-21 May 2021)



Walking is good for our minds, our bodies and our neighbourhoods. If you live close enough, please walk to school, if you need to drive then try parking further away and walking the last mile to school. You'll feel great for doing it!

May – The Month of Mary

May is the month of Mary. It is a special time to honour Mary with our whole hearts and to recognise the role she plays as the mother of Jesus, the son of God. Traditionally during this month, we say the 'Hail Mary' prayer daily, we have a May procession bringing in flowers to decorate our statue of Mary and we pray the rosary.

Here are some Tips for honouring our mother Mary:

- 1. Put up an image or statue of Mary.
- 2. Read bible passages about the life of Mary: the annunciation, the birth of Jesus, the presentation of Jesus in the temple, and Mary at the foot of the Cross.
- 3. Pray the Rosary.
- 4. An act of Mercy: write or send a card to an elderly person you know who is living alone or is in a care home.

We ask Mary to pray for us and we use her as a source of inspiration, a model of kindness and compassion in our lives.



Let Us Pray

Hail Mary
Full of Grace
The Lord is with thee
Blessed are you amongst all women
And blessed is the fruit of your womb
Holy Mary
Mother of God
Pray for us sinners now
And at the hour of our death
Amen

We give thanks for:

- Mary, our heavenly mother and the inspiration she gives all mothers.
- Property of the continued efforts of keyworkers in our local community helping to battle Covid-19
- Our virtual Judaism visitor the chance to learn tolerance and understand other cultures and faiths
- Our new teacher, Miss Pain settling into her new role

New life – including all new babies within our community.

We pray for:

- The on-going health and protection of our community.
- Our brother and sisters in India and South America and Europe suffering the devastation of a second wave of Covid-19.
- Members of our community who are unwell, especially the grandmother of some of our pupils
- The soul of all we have lost and gone before us.
- Fr Chacko and all of our priests and local clergy.

And finally, I wish you and your families a happy weekend.

Kind regards,

Clare Tickel Headteacher

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