



22nd July 2022

Christ the King News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you again for the support you have given your children in their learning this year. It certainly has been a long year! The staff and I thank you all. We are in admiration for our parent body, for the support given to home learning, for the kindness and support given to our school staff. The staff at CTK love their work with the children and are grateful for the privilege of helping your children learn and develop.



Staffing

As we say a fond farewell to some staff this week, we are also excited to announce new appointments for September. Mrs Bailey-Cobb will be teaching in Year 1 alongside Mrs Atkinson. Mrs Bailey Cobb will teach Year 1ABC on Thursdays and Fridays.

Covid Cases

This week there has been 8 cases.

Over the summer vacation many of our families and staff will be travelling. Please continue to protect yourself and your loved ones from Covid by maintaining good hygiene measures and ventilation in shared vehicles and venues.

In September should your child have a fever, a new continuous cough or a change/ loss of taste or smell then you should visit <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19#Children>

If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have an elevated temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

Start and Finish Times 2022-2023

Over the past two years KS2 pupils have started lessons each day at 8.40am - classroom doors opening at 8.30am. From September we will start the process of realigning our school day post pandemic. All classes (Year R to Year 6 will have open doors from 8.30am and lessons will start promptly at 8.40am. We encourage the oldest pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 to walk up the driveway independently, the early doors will enable parents with more than one child to drop off to have time to walk between classroom doors.

<u>Year Groups</u>	<u>Doors Open</u>	<u>Start Time</u>	<u>Home Time</u>
Pre- School	8.45am	8.55am	3.00pm
Reception	8.30am	8.40am	2.55pm
Year R to Year 6	8.30am	8.40am	3.00pm

Summer Home Learning

During the summer vacation our pupils have a huge variety of experiences and we know that they don't stop learning. We would love the children to continue to practice basic skills throughout the holiday where they can please.

- IXL Maths and English activities
- Read for pleasure – dust off a favourite book and read or be read to.
- Bournemouth Library Reading Challenge
- Research your new class bird
- TT Rockstars battle KS2
- Other (year group decision)
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Summer Library Reading Challenge



This year's Summer Reading Challenge theme is **Gadgeteers**, created in partnership with **Science Museum Group** and illustrated by top children's writer and illustrator Julian Beresford. Children can also join in the fun online, here on the official Challenge website: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/about-the-challenge>

As an extra special incentive at Christ the King, we are also going to hold a raffle in September where the children who have completed the Reading Challenge will be able to enter. To enter the raffle, the children must bring in their medal / certificate for the Reading Challenge and they will be given one raffle ticket. The prize is an exciting £25 Smyths voucher!

We cannot wait to see how many children have entered the Reading Challenge. Reading really does unlock a whole world of possibilities!

Transition Videos



We understand how difficult the children can find moving up to the next year group. The teaching team have prepared a short transition video for the children to watch prior to moving to their new class in September. Please click on the relevant link below to see your child's new teaching team for next year. We hope you enjoy watching them!

Reception to Year 1: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8odf5g--AR8&t=1s>

Year 1 to Year 2: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bnd_9po14ow

Year 2 to Year 3: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=909JLIZj4Rk>

Year 3 to Year 4: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v9awadk_AtU

Year 4 to Year 5: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NUWwV2NS8PQ>

Year 5 to Year 6: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VGZjsthbS6w>

Safeguarding

A few pointers for summer safety:

ESafety - Please keep your children ESafety wise over the summer months – limit the time they spend on line and check who they have contact with online.

Stranger danger – talk to your children about stranger danger – what to do if they get lost or are approached by a stranger.

Water safety – sign your child up for swimming lessons and when at the beach stay within lifeguard zones.

Summer Concerts

Congratulations to Year 1 and Year 2 pupils who sang beautifully to their appreciative audience on Thursday 21st July. Thank you to Mrs Fisher for organising all the concerts and for working so hard with all our pupils. Thank you also for your generous donations after each concert. We have raised £231.08 for new musical instruments.

The links for this week's concerts are below

<https://youtu.be/n8XXQv6inW0> Year 1 Concert

<https://youtu.be/VFlyq9if45M> Year 2 Concert

<https://youtu.be/qU3-VmrsyZg> Guitar Concert

Volunteers in School.

If you would like to be a volunteer in school. Please contact Miss O'Sullivan via the office.

Diary Dates

- First Day of term for Years 1-6 -Monday 5th September 2022
- First Day of term for Pre-School - Wednesday 7th September 2022
- First Day of term for Reception - (Part time) Wednesday 7th September
Full time Monday 12th September
- Parents Evenings Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th October 2022
- Half term Monday 24th - Friday 28th October 2022
- Training Day Monday 31st October 2022

Celebration of Learning

This week we have enjoyed celebrating the achievements of all our pupils, but most especially those leaving Pre-School and Year 6. Thank you to Mrs Riggs and Mrs White and the EYFS team for organizing the Pre-School Graduation and to Mrs Ayton, Mr Cooper and the Year 6 for organizing the Year 6 Graduation. Both events were enjoyed by parents and family and were a wonderful tribute to our youngsters and their hard work.

Year 6 Leavers Mass



Let Us Pray

We give thanks for:

- This academic year, for all the ups and downs, for all the opportunities and for all the friendship and fun.
- Our Year 6 pupils, many of whom started in our pre-school 9 years ago, we thank God for all of their contributions to school life and give thanks for the wonderful young people that they have become.

- The staff and teachers who have worked hard throughout the year to ensure the safety, wellbeing and progress of all our pupils.
- Our clergy for their continued prayers and contribution to our parishes.
- Our Year 6 parents and carers who organised the leavers party.
- Mrs Mandale who has been editor of our school newsletter – you will be missed.

We pray for:

- Our school leavers, that God blesses each and every child who is moving on to secondary school, that they continue to grow in faith, hope and love.
- Our graduating pre-school pupils, that they all have a smooth transition into primary school in the autumn.
- Staff moving on, for Mrs Mandale, Miss Leslie, Mrs Baczala and Mrs Yusuf, that God blesses them in their future ventures.
- Our most vulnerable families who are struggling either financially or emotionally or both, that our community digs deep and seeks to notice and support our neighbours.

AMEN

And finally, we wish you all a restful summer break and look forward to seeing you all in September.

Kind regards,
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Executive Headteacher

Melanie Lord
Head of School

