Christ the King Year 1 Autumn 1 2022–2023 Newsletter Learning together in faith hope and love

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome you all back after the summer holidays. We are so happy to see the children really enthusiastic about their learning. We have loved meeting them and getting to know them. The children have been amazing at settling back into school so quickly. They have already started to get to grips with all of our routines, which is fantastic!

We have a very exciting half term ahead. We have kick started the year celebrating **Mother Mary's Birthday**. This has included learning all about Mother Mary's significance to the Christian faith. Our second topic will be '**The Gruffalo**' where we will learn to identify, name, compare and sort animals as well as learn to re-tell The Gruffalo story. Our final topic this half term is '**Here We Are'** where we will be learning about our local community and where we live on a map. We will also learn about the human and physical features in our local area. Please see our Year 1 Class Page for our Curriculum Overview for the year.

We look forward to supporting, inspiring and working alongside both you and your child this year. Warm wishes,

Miss Warr (1W Swans), Mrs Atkinson (1AB Robins), Mrs Bailey-Cobb (1AB Robins) & The Year 1 Team

<u>Home Learning:</u>

Please sign up to **IXL**. We use this home learning tool to support learning at home. We will send you a letter in due course to explain how to set up a login.

Home learning will be sent out across the year. We will use our messaging application 'DoJos' to keep you updated.





Parents Evenings—Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th October

Important Dates

Half Term— Monday 25th October

INSET—Monday 1st November

Important Information:

> The days for our PE lessons are <u>Tuesdays and Fridays</u>

Please can your child arrive to school in their PE kit on these days.

> Please can ALL school uniform be clearly named.

> Please send a **<u>named</u>** water bottle into school each day.

> Please prevent any toys from home coming into school so they don't get lost!

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Communication:

>Tapestry— Tapestry is not used from Year 1—Year 6 so you will no longer need your Tapestry account for your Year 1 child. Instead of Tapestry, we use an app called DoJos—please see below for further information.

>A DoJo account - We use an app called DoJo to liaise with our parents/carers. Please ensure you sign up so we can communicate with you. We can private message you and vice versa, we can add events and we can also add photos and updates of the class' learning throughout the year! It is also used to give positive rewards and praise to the children and they can collect DoJo points in order to earn certificates which has proved a bit hit in previous years.

A letter will be been sent home in bookbags with instructions on how to set up your DoJo account at home. Please follow the instructions as soon as you receive it.

>Website—Please regularly check our Year 1 Class page on the website for key dates and important information as well as the school calendar.

>Whole School Newsletters—Please check for the weekly school newsletter via email. This will include important updates.