



11th June 2021

Christ the King News

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed a restful week with your children and hopefully managed to make the most of the good weather. This half term in school we are excited about the prospect of more music and sport outdoors. Please check your class newsletters for important dates. Concert week is scheduled for the week beginning 5th July and sports events are planned for the week beginning 14th July. Parent involvement in school events, including summer graduation events will be confirmed and will be in line with the government roadmap for Covid-19 and Plymouth CASTs risk assessments.

Non Uniform Day in Support of The Catholic Children's Society

Join us to celebrate the **feast of St Aloysius Gonzaga on Friday, 18 June 2021** by wearing **yellow, blue and white** for a small donation of **£1** to help raise funds for CCSP. St Aloysius Gonzaga is the patron saint of Young Students and Christian Youth and the main aim of CCSP is to help children and their families in times of financial need by offering our Essential Grants and Patchwork Parenting programmes throughout the Diocese. Here is a link to a short video clip about the work of St Aloysius https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=15

Summer Safety

Please apply sun-cream to your child before they start school each day and send them in with a sun hat or cap to wear at playtimes.

Hair-cuts – please ensure no shaved cuts or patterned shaving styles please – save these for the start of the summer holiday.



Head Lice

Please continue to be vigilant and check your child's head on a regular basis for head live or nits. Combing your child's hair once a week with a nit comb and conditioner will help keep these pests at bay. Loose hair is more likely to make a child prone to picking up head lice – it is best to tie long hair back to reduce this likelihood.

Parent Feedback

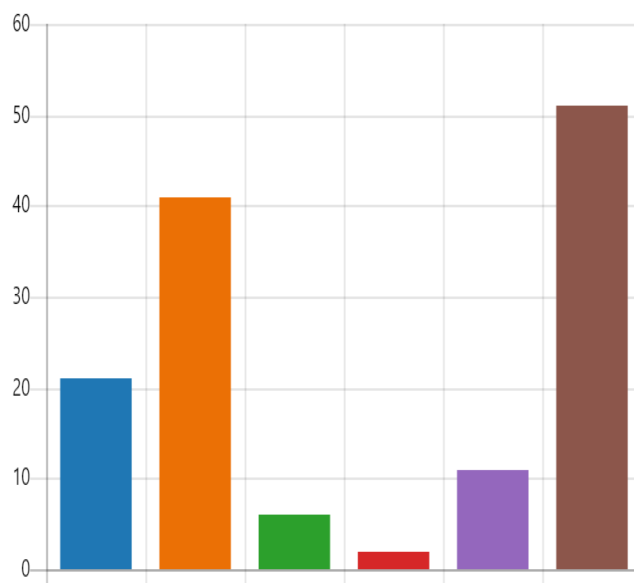
Below are more of the responses from our recent Parent Questionnaire:

. My child receives support if he / she needs it (for example through PLPs, behaviour plans, support for medical needs, for English as an additional language, play therapy, ELSA, playground support)

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 Insights

 Strongly agree	21
 Agree	41
 Disagree	6
 Strongly disagree	2
 Unsure	11
 Not relevant to my child	51



It is interesting how many parents are 'unsure' in response to some of our questions. If you are unsure about anything then please do ask your child's class teacher or stop and talk to Mrs Tickel, Mrs Hodge or Mrs Perry who are outside school at drop off / pick up most days. We are always happy to talk with you.

This question is predominantly about pupils with additional needs who require support beyond the baseline provision.

- . The school supports my child's wider personal development (Trick Box, Wellbeing journals, RSE and meditation, assemblies).

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Strongly agree	40
Agree	68
Disagree	5
Strongly disagree	0
Unsure	19



- . The school supports my child's spiritual development (liturgies, prayer space, masses, RE, music, values led curriculum).

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Strongly agree	41
Agree	80
Disagree	1
Strongly disagree	0
Unsure	10



Again, please if you are unsure about how we support your child please talk to your child's class teacher or ask at the office and they will signpost you to the relevant support.

- . The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.

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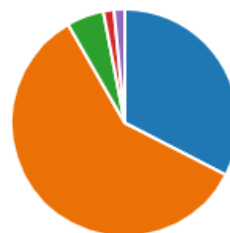
Strongly agree	39
Agree	76
Disagree	6
Strongly disagree	3
Unsure	8



- . The school keeps me informed of my child's progress (for example through parent meetings, zoom or phone calls, annual report, Autumn targets, SATs results, comments and feedback on home learning, certificates, stickers, dojos, Marvellous Me, etc).

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Strongly agree	43
Agree	78
Disagree	7
Strongly disagree	2
Unsure	2



All classes send a half termly newsletter and curriculum map home via email. These are also on your child's year group webpage. If you would prefer a paper copy of letters, please let our office team know and we will do what we can to help you.

Formal pupil progress meetings with parents have taken place this year, in the Autumn and Spring terms. If you missed these virtual meetings, please let us know and we can set up an opportunity for you to talk to your child's class teacher. End of year reports are due to go home at the end of this term. These will identify the progress your child has made this year and what their targets are for next year.

A snap shot at some of the areas considered strengths:

Communication
Im not sure how to answer this
Always there to talk to
The teachers really keep me in the loop with how the kids are behaving in school and all the school work they do and need to do!
Understanding individual needs of pupils Education attainment Promotes feeling of belonging
Friendliness
Religion classes, music, sport, well being aspect
Communication and feeling welcomed every one is friendly
Not sure
Helping parents and pupils through tough times, knowing my child is looked after and cared for and being encouraging with the pupils. Contact through parent and teacher is great so much feed back and coming up with idea on how to best help individual children if they are struggling
The 7 c's. Regularly quoted in our household. The drive to do reading. The more you read, the more you know, the further you can go.

A snap shot at some of the responses for areas for development:

Help
After school activities to resume
N/a
Feedback to parents on child's progress. Support with homework. Information on what is being learned.
Communication and understanding of LAC needs.
Unsure
Don't have at the moment
Communication
Working together with children.
Stem subjects
Extra home work to catch up on missed education
N/A
Dealing with unpolite behaviour from children to children
I have no concerns
Watching pupil interaction and observing bullying. My child has been hit on several occasions and it's gone unnoticed.

Applying for a place at Christ the King School

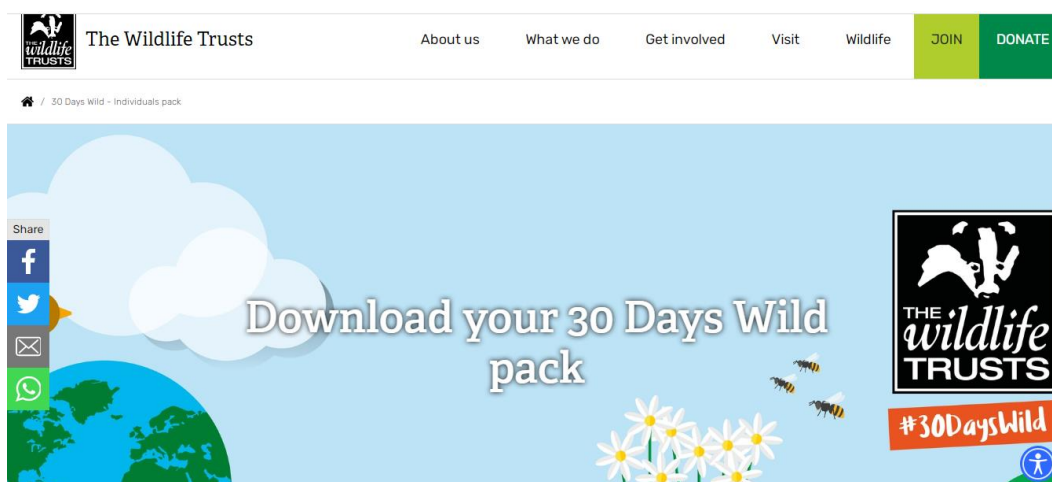
BCP still manage our admissions, however we still urge families to complete our school application forms which are available from our office or online. This year our new parents' presentation will be held virtually in June and followed up with opportunities for scheduled visits when the school is not 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>

From the Well Being Team

An Act of Wildness

Hopefully you found some time to enjoy the local bluebells last month, and now the lighter evenings are here we have arrived at June – and the opportunity to show kindness to ourselves with 'an act of wildness' ... simply being outside and taking some moments to admire and be astonished by the life around us.

June is the month of '30 days wild' – a wildlife focus run by The Wildlife Trusts ... just search the internet for this page:



Within our Bournemouth area alone there are a dozen spaces identified for wildlife visits for any age range to learn from and enjoy, and looking further to the West of our county we are so lucky to have an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty to admire and explore. Plan a visit near or far in the month of June. We look forward to the children telling us about their adventures!

Catholic Social Teaching

Common Good refers to what is shared and beneficial for all. Pope Francis reminds us that caring for our world is for the 'common good'. By doing this we are showing compassion and care for others. Working for the 'common good' means putting our selfish indulgences aside; by caring and working towards shared goals we will all succeed.



“The common good requires everyone’s participation. If everyone contributes his or her part, and if no one is left out, we can regenerate good relationships on the communitarian, national and international level and even in harmony with the environment.”

Pope Francis

Let Us Pray

Over the past three weeks we have celebrated the feast of Pentecost, the Holy Trinity and then last weekend the feast of Corpus Christi. We have lived through and celebrated the liturgical seasons of the church. Through the gospel readings at mass we have followed Jesus’ life, His stories and His actions until we come to His death and resurrection and the promise that He would send the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the powerful energy of God that both Father and Son share and which unites us all. This energy is love; God is love, an incredibly powerful, unstoppable LOVE, a power of love beyond our wildest understanding. The most exciting thing about this power ball of love is that God wants to bring us into that love. Sharing in this unites us with God.

Congratulations to all past pupils who were confirmed on Pentecost Sunday at half term.

We give thanks for:

- The half term break and time to enjoy the company of friends and family.
- The recent staff training day and the opportunity for staff to work together on joint projects.
- The small acts of kindness - the simple hello, thank yous and smiles we receive each day.
- Sunshine and warmth and more opportunities to enjoy the outdoors.
- New playground toys and equipment for playtimes.

We pray for:

- The gift of ‘Courage’ to stand together for the common good.
- A happy term ahead full of learning and excitement.
- All who are unwell or who have mental health illnesses.
- The soul of all we have lost and gone before us. May they rest in peace.
- 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

faith
hope
love

