



8<sup>th</sup> July 2022

## Christ the King News

Dear Parents and Carers,

The final few weeks of a school term are always a busy time, a time of anticipation and a time of change, a time to feel gratitude and reflect on all that has happened over the school year. It can also be a time of sadness and a time of joy. It with so many mixed feelings that we approach these final weeks and look to support our pupils in their transition from this current school year into the next. The children have met their new class teachers and teachers have been busy preparing transition information to share with the new class teachers. Please be reassured that we always ensure a thorough transition.

We are continuing to see a rise in Covid cases and reassure you that we continue to be vigilant in school. We promote good hygiene measures and ventilation in all classrooms. Please note that if your child has 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 a high 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.

Children and young people who usually go to school, college or childcare and who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend as normal.

### **Covid Cases**

This week there has 4 been cases.

### **Farewell and Congratulations**

We will be saying farewell to Miss Lesley at the end of this year. She will be leaving us to start her training to become a teacher! We are incredibly grateful for everything Miss Leslie has done and for her years of service at Christ the King. Miss Leslie has been a member of our support staff team at CTK since 2014 and has worked as a teaching assistant, midday supervisor and after school and breakfast club supervisor. Miss Leslie is a credit to our school and we are all thrilled that she is taking this exciting step in her career. We will miss her very much, but we know that she will make a truly fantastic teacher! Well done Miss Leslie!

## Summer Concerts

Congratulations to Mrs Fisher and the children from Year 5 and 6 who performed their concert this week, once to members our Parish Community and later to their parents. We were completely taken back in time through the decades with a glimpse of the fashion, popular music, history, and politics of the time. The children were a delight to watch and we were hugely entertained!

We received a lovely email from 'Open Door'. *"What a fantastic performance the children gave today. It was amazing and so much hard work must have gone into it. Everyone from Cornerstone thought it was a wonderful show and there are some youngsters there who have so much talent. Please give our thanks to everyone for allowing us in and for having such an enjoyable morning."*

Mrs Lord has recorded the performances and you will receive a YouTube link from your child's class teacher. Please bear with us, there is a technical issue that will need to be resolved before the Year 5 and 6 Concert link can be shared. It will be worth the wait.



Mrs Fisher is currently unwell, so we will keep you posted about the concerts scheduled for next week. We wish Mrs Fisher a speedy recovery and hope she feels better soon.

Reception Tuesday July 12th 2pm

Year 1 Wednesday July 13th at 2pm

Year 2 Thursday July 14th 2pm

Please do come and support the children. They are looking forward to performing to you.

## Sports Day

Well done to all of the children who did exceptionally well today in the heat. It was particularly heart-warming to hear the comments made by other pupils when their classmates were competing. 'You've got this!' 'You can do it!' 'Keep going!' There was such a lovely atmosphere and very good sportsmanship. Well done to all of the Teachers and TAs who supported their classes and most especially to Mr Smith who has done a sterling job! The day went without a hitch thanks to impeccable planning.

Final thank you to all of the parents and relatives that came along to support, it is really appreciated. Class teachers have taken photos and these will be shared with you on Class Dojo.

## Diary Dates

- CTK Leavers Mass (Y6 parents invited) Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July time 10.45am
- Pre-School Graduation- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 10am
- Year 6 Graduation- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July time 1.30pm

## ArtsMark Day to Create

On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July, we all had a fun, creative day being involved in our first ArtsMark Award activity! 'Dare to Invent', challenged us to create a new invention.

There are many problems and challenges in life that need our inventive ideas to help solve. We used our knowledge and creative thinking to come up with invention ideas that are useful, ingenious and just plain fun!

We made inventor goggles to look at the world in a new way and went on problem finding hunts and some of us even made models of our crazy, cool, creative inventions.

Our inventions made an improvement to something or something totally new to liven up the school day. We came up with inventions to help one person, or the whole community. We came up with a way to reduce global warming, or invented something funny (and ingenious) like a hat with a secret compartment for biscuits. We shared some of our ideas at assembly with Ms Kent at the end of the day.

We certainly have some VERY creative children!



## Celebration of Learning

Year 2 created inventor goggles to help us spot problems around school that needed a solution!



Our netball team won 11-9 against Epiphany! We had lovely weather and a great crowd to cheer us on. Well done all!



## First Holy Communion





We celebrated our First Holy Communion Mass in school with our children from Year 4, 5 and 6. They each received a lovely holding cross made from olive wood and they shared a delicious First Holy Communion cake with their class mates at the end of the day.

### **Catholic Life**

St Clare lived in Italy in 1193 and was a good friend of St Francis of Assisi. It was St Francis' example of humility, of faith, hope and simplicity that inspired Clare to lead a life dedicated to our Lord. Clare founded the religious order called 'The Poor Clare's'; they lived a daily routine based on prayer and simplicity. Both St Francis and St Clare have inspired millions to follow in their footsteps, both lay and religious vocations.



## Let Us Pray

We give thanks for:

- Our clergy who work tirelessly to support our schools.
- Sports Day and the opportunity to exercise our bodies and compete.
- Art and being able to use our imaginations to create.
- The singing and musical talents of our pupils shared in our concerts.
- The opportunity to celebrate in church, especially our Year 6 mass with five other CAST schools. In Poole.

We pray for:

- Vocations; that young men and woman are inspired to follow Jesus.
- All those who are unwell, we especially pray for absent staff or pupils.
- All of our younger performers as they prepare for their end of year concerts.
- Our Year 6 pupils who are preparing for their transition to secondary school.
- All pre-school children who are preparing their transition to primary school.
- Our Year 6 children who getting ready for their final school residential to Butcher's Coppice.

**And finally,** we wish you and your family a wonderful weekend.  
May God bless you and your loved ones.

Kind regards,  
Clare Tickel  
Executive Headteacher

Melanie Lord  
Head of School

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