

**Christ the King**  
**Year 2 Spring 1 2021 Newsletter**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a time to rest and take a proper break over the Christmas holidays and have been able to re-establish some home learning routines during the first week of the latest lockdown.

We are enclosing a weekly timetable for your information and use at home—to hopefully guide you with our year group daily expectations for home learning and the amount of time that could be spent on these tasks. We have been asked to keep daily records of home learning completed by the children.

The Year 2 team of Mrs Sargeant, Mrs Mahon, Miss Buxton and Miss Branca have been working to establish daily home learning and communication via Google Classrooms for all, as well as manage the 'bubble' of Year 2 children coming in to school. This week, week beginning 11th January, Mrs Atkinson is well enough to join us for two days and we are hoping Miss Oppo will be able to do the same in the coming weeks.

If you have any home learning queries please message the teachers on Google Classrooms initially. You can do this by sending a private message attached to a set assignment. This week we have posted some guidance for parents on use of Google Classrooms at home, and one of the big improvements that will help us all is our use of 'Google documents' when setting some tasks—this will allow the children to write directly onto the task set, using their keyboard and send their work straight back to us.

Our topic this half term is still our previously planned unit '**Is Plastic Fantastic?**' and we will be asking the children to consider whether they should forgive those that pollute the planet. We have some wonderful texts we will still want to share with all the children and hope they will still enjoy these.

The weekly projects we have set will reflect the learning, but also are intended to give the children some practical, making and creating opportunities at home away from the laptop screen. Please be as creative with the projects as you can be, or complete them in a different way to our suggestions if you want to use your own idea.

With very best wishes to all our children and their families

**Reading**

**Congratulations to our readers last half term:**

**Pink Award** children last half term:

Frankie, Lexie, Molly-May, Noah, Taya, Theo, Whitney, Albert, Amelia, Oliver, Henry CH, Grace, Marley, Lily G, Archie, Zach, Taim, Gracie, Lily C.

**Bronze Award** children last half term:

Henry B, Iggy, James, Layla, Leon, Lorcan, Louie, Millie, Samuel, Sarah M, Sienna, Harriet-Rose, Taylor, Hettie, Daisy, Sam, Gracie, Marley, Nicole.

**Silver Award** children last half term, earning 75 or more reading signatures:

Henry B, Lorcan, Louie, Millie, Samuel, Taylor, Gracie, Harriet-Rose.

**Gold Award** children earning more than 100 reading signatures:

Iggy.

**Helpful Reminders:**

PLEASE, PLEASE KEEP READING AT HOME—AT LEAST FIVE READS A WEEK AND NOTE THE SIGNATURES INTO THE READING RECORD.

DO LET US KNOW WHEN YOU REACH SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS—75, 100, 150, 200 READS ...

**\*TOUCANS GOOGLE CLASSROOM**  
**CODE: 4txnxoo**

**PARROTS GOOGLE CLASSROOM**  
**CODE: ddxaleg**