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# , Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself.

# 15th December 2023

#### **Message from Mrs Procter**

Well what a busy week we have had here at Christ the King, four productions, Christmas dinner for 402 children and an award assembly for our school Choir- we certainly know how to pack things in!! Tonight after school we have our Christmas Fair so please come along and support if you can.

Next week we have our annual trip to the pantomime the children are really looking forward to it, we will be leaving at 9.00am so please ensure your child is in before the gates closes as we would hate to leave anybody behind. All children in Little Acorns and KS2 apart from those entitled to free school meals will need a packed lunch on Tuesday as the kitchen will not be serving any food. All children in KS1 will have a packed lunch prepared for them by the kitchen.

Remember next week we finish at 1.30pm on the Wednesday.

#### **Weekly Reflection**

Our Advent journey continues as we enter the 2nd Week of Advent. St. John the Baptist says: "Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight." Before we have any special events or visitors, we like to tidy our houses and make sure everything is in order and in its right place. In the same way we need to prepare a place for Jesus to come into our hearts – to create the

space inside us to welcome Jesus in. One way that we can do this is by saying sorry to God for the things that we have done wrong. If we do this then we will be ready to welcome Jesus when He comes. Lord, help us to think about the things in our lives that we need to straighten out and we say sorry for the times that we have turned away from you. We are going to try and grow closer to you so that we are ready to open our arms wide and welcome you when you arrive.

#### Ethos Statement – Simple things can make me happy.

The following children have shown they know that simple things can make them happen this week:

FJH	Hattie Wheeler	1DH	Finn O'Donell	2HK	Eva Lockwood
FJH	Emma Campbell	1DH	Willow Holsgrove	2HK	Bella Lynch
FBG	Harry Stocker	1SH	Alex Brooke	2HW	Amelia Silcock
FBG	Hollie Sawley	1SH	George Rawson-	2HW	Tobias Barnes
			Williams		

3EJ	William Morley-Mason	4DJ	Luis Rawnsley	5AY	Joseph Bolger
3EJ	James Rennie	4DJ	Joshua Williamson	5AY	Edward Smith

3KH	Jacob Taplin	4RL	George Crossley	5MJ	Daisy Brown
3KH	Oathie Horgan	4RL	Grace Holsgrove	5MJ	Jensen Jagger- Tippey

6HS	Bella Rogan
6HS	Louis Ryan
6RM	Emma MacMaster
6RM	Noah Goodheart-Smith

#### **Team Points**

KC1	l Mark	KS2	l Luke	Overall	l Luke
KOI	Mark	N3Z	LUKU	Overuii	LOKO

#### **Jesse Tree**

This Advent, we are revisiting stories from the Jesse Tree. It is an old Christian tradition that first started in medieval times. It tells of stories in the Bible from Creation to the Christmas Story. It is a lovely tradition that gets its name from Jesse who was the Father of the great Jewish King David. One prophecy in the Bible, in the book of Isaiah, says: "A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a branch will bear fruit." A branch is a sign of new life and new beginnings. Jesus was a descendant of King David and Jesus is this new branch. Let us all remember what is important and the real reason for this festive season.



The symbols on our Jesse Tree are growing.

#### **Choir News**

The choir finished a successful first term with our annual Christmas concert last Friday. Well done to all the children involved and thank you for your continued support bringing to children and coming to watch us.

As a thank you for their hard work. The choir enjoyed a chocolate fountain in celebration of all their hard work and winning The Spirit of Christmas Choir Competition.





#### **Christmas Craft Club 2023**

Thank you to everybody who attended Christmas Craft Club this half term, we hope you enjoyed it and wish you a very Merry Christmas! Mss Lloyd and Mrs Ravenscroft

### Year 3 Stone Age Workshop

On Friday 26th January all children in Year 3 will be taking part in a Stone Age workshop here in school. We will be travelling back in time to a cold and frosty wilderness 2.5million years ago.

We have booked a company to come in on this day and the cost will be £8.50p per child. You will find that it is now live on PARENT PAY so that you have plenty of time to organise your finances.

#### **Amazon Wish Donations**

THANK YOU to our families and school community for all of your kind donations of brilliant books this term. We have distributed them across school into classrooms and our library for our children to start reading.



## <u>Important-School Spider Update</u>

Please ensure that your School Spider app is updated and notifications are enabled. If you have not logged in for a while your username is your first name and last name in lower case. if you are unable to remember your password you can click 'forgotten password' to reset.

It is important that your School Spider app is fully working as going forward we will be sending internal school consent forms this way. We are hoping that this system will make things a little easier as your responses are instant and more importantly you will not need a printer.

The majority of our school communication is via School Spider so please ensure this is up to date to ensure you are not missing out on valuable information regarding your child/children.

#### Residential trips 2024

Residential trips next year have been booked for our Year 2 and Year 4 children. We have set the payments on ParentPay in advance to give you the time and flexibility to pay in installments to make this easier. Further details of the residential trips will follow.

If you have any questions or are experiencing any problems please do not hesitate to let school know in case we can be of any help or assistance.

- Year 2 Barnstondale trip Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March-1 night overnight stay
- Year 4 Burwardsley trip Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 22nd May- 1 night overnight stay day dependent on registration group.

#### We are recruiting!

Playzone Before and After School Club are seeking a happy, enthusiastic play worker to join their team! Our numbers have increased since opening our doors to 'Little Acorns' In September. The position is part time/ term time only, consisting of morning and afternoon sessions so flexibility is essential and online training is available. If your own child/children are over 4 years old, they are also able to join you and enjoy the company!

For further information, please contact Louise Somers or Cath Ravenscroft at Playzone via email playzonectk@gmail.com. We look forward to meeting you!

# **Dates for your Diary**

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School trip 'Jack and the Beanstalk'
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas at 1:30pm
Thursday 21st December	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	School reopens
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Swimming Week commences 3KH
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Swimming Week commences 3EJ
Friday 26th January	Year 3 Stone Age Day
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	School Closes for Half Term