



„Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself“

1st October 2021

Message from Mrs Procter



What an eventful week I have had, I am writing this from my bed!! On Saturday we moved my eldest daughter into her University halls of residence and I was very proud of myself for not shedding any tears until I was safely back in the car.

On Sunday morning I woke up with a sore throat, cold and tickly cough - since I have spent the last eighteen months sending both children and staff for PCR tests I booked myself in for one. By Sunday evening I was in bed feeling like I had been hit by a bus so was not surprised to receive a birthday text at 5.50am informing me I had tested positive for Covid, not quite how I intended to celebrate my very special '0' birthday - the celebrations are on hold until I feel well enough to enjoy them.

School has been in the safe hands of Mrs Barker, Mrs Jones and Mrs Head. It is times like this when I really appreciate the amazing team that I have behind me at Ctk. All the staff have volunteered to help out in any way that they can due to absences with Covid - so far none of them have had to wear a blue hair net but I am confident that they would rise to the challenge if needed!

On Saturday our Y4 children will be making their First Holy Communion and I am very upset that I will be missing their special day but I know that the staff have everything under control. The children are very excited and are prepared for the next stage of their Sacrament journey. I hope that you all have a wonderful day celebrating with your families. I will hopefully see you all next Thursday when my isolation is over.

Weekly Reflection

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary and we remember especially Mary our Mother. Mary appeared to St. Dominic in 1206 and praised him for his courage against those who did not believe. She then gave him the Rosary as a mighty weapon, explained its uses, and told him to preach it to others. It is a powerful instrument of prayer and the best way of honouring Mary.

The rosary is a devotion in honour of the Mother of God. It is made up of decades which recall our Lord's life, passion and glory. As our fingers move around the beads we think carefully about the words we have been listening to.

The Mini Vinnies sorted out our travelling rosary bags that can come home to allow you and your child to spend some time praying to Mary together. We ask that when it is your turn, you make sure everything comes back to school in the bag the following day so that the next person can take them. Thank you. We hope you enjoy spending time with your children in this special way. The Rosary will bring great peace and holiness to your life.



Ethos Statement

I can say how I feel

The following children have shown that they can say how they feel this week:

FJH – Scarlett Bull
FJH – Daniel Platten
FCB – Ruben Barclay-Pipe
FCB – Kamila Cierpich

1DK - Seb Sanderson
1DK - Daisy Shaw
1SH - Rosie Metcalf
1SH - Jack Spriggs

2RL – Jessie Bastow
2RL – Edith Teese
2HW – Verity Bull
2HW – River-Elijah Roberts

3EJ – Ben Burton
3EJ – Erin Page
3DJ – Austin Lucas
3DJ – Penelope Whittaker

4LS – Georgie O'Neill
4LS – Oliver Sherry
4HK – Lily Ralph
4HK – Miyah Murphy

5AY – Lewis McWha
5AY – Isabelle Johnson
5RM – Mariola Kisiel
5RM – Poppy Glascott

6KH – Ted Burton
6KH – Taylor Dean
6GA – Sophie Edwards
6GA – Riya Gurnell

House Points

Last week's winners:

Key Stage 1 = Matthew Key Stage 2 = Matthew
Overall = Matthew
Well done Matthew – a great week!

No Smoking



Could we please remind parents, guardians and carers that smoking or vaping is not permitted anywhere on school premises.

Break Time Snack and Water

Children are not permitted to bring items such as chocolate, crisps, fruit bars and cereal bars for their mid-morning snack. Please only send in fruit or vegetable items such as cucumber or carrot sticks. If your child brings one of these items for snack their class teacher will ask them to put it back in their bag and take it home. Please remember that children should bring in water to drink during the day – flavoured water and juice is not permitted.

Final Reminder - Flu Vaccination Programme

We have been advised by the School Immunisation Administrator that the e-consent option for this years flu nasal vaccination programme will close on Monday 4th October at 12.00pm. **They will NOT accept any consents after this date**, for parents who have not completed consent their children will not be offered the flu spray on Thursday 7th October.

Cross Country

Cross Country practice has started again in school and the first race is next Thursday October 7th at Birkenhead Park (where Birkenhead Parkrun happens). We'd love to see as many CTK pupils involved as possible. Cross country practice takes place at 12:30pm most school days and all children in years 4, 5 and 6 are welcome to come along. Even if you cannot always participate in a race, it is great to help keep fit. See Miss Hassan if you would like to join.

Race Information:

- Parents are responsible for taking their children to/from the races.
- Races begin at 4.15pm and are completed with a presentation by approximately 5.20pm.
- Except in exceptional circumstances, no race will be cancelled in advance and a final decision will be made at 4.15pm on the course.
- An information talk for all competitors will take place at 4.05pm.
- Children are to remain in school bubbles for this time.
- Each race is over two laps in total, about 1200m on grass and path.
- No spikes or boots are to be worn.

Mums and Tots Group

A Mums & Tots Group is starting again in the Church Hall on Tuesday 5th October from 9.30am-11.30am. They look forward to welcoming your children from new born to pre schoolers to join in the fun. They will be following diocesan guidelines so masks are required for adults. Any queries please contact Jane on 07894434550.

National Sleep Helpline

The National Sleep Helpline from the Sleep Charity is back open. The Sleep Charity are one of the leading, independent expert voices on sleep issues in the UK and are there to help everyone get a better night's sleep. Whether it's advice, education or support for children, teenagers, adults, workplaces or professionals, they are on hand with expert knowledge, resources and accredited training.



Year 5 Victorian Day

Year 5 will be having a Victorian day on Thursday 21st Octber as part of our Victorian topic this term. We will be building on our learning and taking part in Music, Art and History activities in our classrooms. We are inviting all children to dress in Victorian style clothing as part of our experience day. Purchase of costumes is not necessary, feel free to utilise any materials or clothes you already have at home. If you have any questions please contact your child's class teacher.

Year 5 – Well Done Amelia!



Amelia was part of a Mcmillan coffee morning team on Saturday last week. Amelia did a brilliant job serving cakes and helping to host the event which raised just over £300 for McMillan Cancer Support. Well done Amelia, we are extremely proud of you giving up your Saturday to help with this.

Year 4 First Holy Communion

Please keep the children in your prayers as they prepare to receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time.

4HK need to be at church for 9:40am and 4LS need to arrive at 12:10pm.

Next Friday, 8th October will be a celebration day in school. First Holy Communion children should come to school in their Communion outfits for their photographs. They will need party clothes to change into. Those children in Year 4 who are not making their Holy Communion should come to school in their party clothes to celebrate with their classmates.

3DJ Class Mass

3DJ had their first class Mass with Fr Louis in their classroom. They talked about the life of St Jerome and how he helped build up the Church. Great behaviour and questions everyone.



Year 3 Parents



In our RE lessons this half term we have been looking at Baptism. Next week we are going to re-enact a baptism over in Church. On the day that each class does this (see below) we would like all the children to wear smart clothes like they would wear if they were going to a baptism or another important celebration. They can come to school in these clothes and wear them all day. Please bear in mind that they will be playing out as usual so will need to be warm and have sensible footwear.

3EJ – Wednesday 6th October

3DJ – Thursday 7th October

FS2 Autumn Walk to the Woods Trip – 8th October 2021

If you go down to the woods today you might see FS2! We are going on our first trip out of school on Friday 8th October. Both classes are going to walk together from school to Eastham Woods and have fun with a scavenger hunt, games and stories under the trees. We would like to invite any parents of FS2 children to join us on the trip if you are available. For health and safety reasons, please do not bring dogs on the walk.

If you can volunteer to come and join us we will be leaving school at 9:15am and returning by 11:15am. Please sign and return the slip at the bottom of the newsletter or contact your child's class teacher via seesaw. Thank you, FS2 Team

FS1 Peppa Pig and Frozen Books/Toys

FS1 are looking for Peppa Pig or Frozen books, toys, jigsaws etc to use within the setting. If you have any items which your children no longer play with school would be very grateful of your donations.



PFA Update

We are unable to hold a Halloween Disco this year due to Covid and restrictions of numbers within our church hall but nevertheless we have plans for Halloween. Come and hear them at our next PFA meeting on **Monday 18th October at 7pm**, this will be our AGM and your chance to stand for a position on the Committee. The AGM will be followed by our regular meeting where we plan events. Please see attached file for AGM details and nomination form. If you are the least bit unsure about any details, the contact details are on the attached letter and we will be happy to help.

It's been a while since we've been able to have a PFA Meeting, so please help us to make it a good one and come along.

If you haven't joined our Facebook page yet, just search for Christ the King PFA.

Reply Slips

FS2 Autumn Walk

Name of child: _____

Name of adult volunteer: _____

I would like to volunteer for the Autumn woods walk trip on Friday 8th October.

Dates For Your Diary

Wednesday 6 th October	3EJ Baptism re-enact – own smart clothes
Thursday 7 th October	Flu vaccinations in school
Thursday 7 th October	3DJ Baptism re-enact – own smart clothes
Friday 8 th October	FS2 walk to the woods
Friday 8 th October	Communion photographs in school
Tuesday 12 th October	Individual school photographs
Monday 18 th October	PFA meeting and AGM
Thursday 21 st October	Y5 Victorian Day
Thursday 21 st October	School closes for half term – normal time
Friday 22 nd October	Inset day – School closed to pupils
Monday 1 st November	School re-opens
Monday 6 th December	Inset day – School closed to pupils
Thursday 9 th December	School trip to Floral Pavilion
Friday 17 th December	School closes for Christmas at 1.30 p.m.

Christ the King Parents and Friends Association



We hereby give notice of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Christ the King Parents & Friends Association, to be held on Monday 18th October 2021 at 7.00pm at Christ the King Church Hall – details can also be found on our Facebook page by searching for Christ the King PFA

As you know, the PFA plays a vital part in the school community and all parents, friends and carers as members of the PFA are invited to support the AGM. This is your chance to hear and see how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of the children at our school.

The AGM is also an opportunity for you to elect the PFA Committee to represent the Association throughout the forthcoming academic year. The positions to be filled on the Committee are as follows

Chair Person	Vice Chair Person
Secretary	Co Treasurer
Co Treasurer	Events Co-ordinator /Committee Member
Events Co-ordinator /Committee Member	Events Co-ordinator /Committee Member
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Nominations for all positions, including those of existing committee members willing to stand for re-election, should be sent in advance of the AGM using the form below to admin@christthekingpfa.co.uk

If you would like any further information about what is involved in being a Committee Member, please contact us at admin@christthekingpfa.co.uk or via the Facebook page.

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NOMINATION FOR OFFICER/MEMBER OF THE CTKPFA COMMITTEE

Nominee.....

For position of: Chair / Vice Chair / Secretary / Co Treasurer / Event Co-ordinator * (*please mark one)

Proposer..... Secondar.....
(Please sign & print name) (Please sign & print name)

I.....agree to my nomination for the position of.....

Signed..... Date.....