



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

**1<sup>st</sup> July 2022**

**Message from Mrs Procter**



What a busy week we have had, last Friday night we had our Summer Showcase Concert which gave us the opportunity to celebrated all the musical talent of our children.

Our Y6 finally got to go on their first residential as they have been our lockdown babes that were not able to go on their Y4 residential- what a fabulous time they had. The children were an absolute credit to you and tried all of the challenges even if they were a little scared! The weather was not too bad and we even got to see some sunshine and managed to have two campfires without any rain-please look at our twitter account for all of the photographs. FS1 had a lovely day yesterday at the farm and Y2 went to Ness gardens.

I cannot believe that we only have three weeks left of this academic year- it is true what they say time fly's when you are having fun!

Next **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July** we are having our first Summer Fair in three years, please do come along and support us. There will be lots of stalls and games for the children to be involved in. The PFA are busy organising everything behind the scenes to ensure the smooth running of the day. I realise that not everyone has the time to be on our PFA and that it falls to a handful of our parents but we can all support them by coming along on the day and having some fun. All the money raised is spent on our children and buys the extras that I cannot make the school budget stretch too so please come along 11am – 2.00pm, we are keeping everything crossed that it does not rain.

**Changes to school opening times for September.**

I am informing you, of the forcoming changes to the timings of the school day here Christ the King Catholic Primary School for children in Foundation Stage 2 to Year 6 from September. These changes are in response to the recent release of the Department for Education's White Paper. The White Paper sets an expectation that all state-funded mainstream schools will deliver a minimum length of school week of 32 hours and 30 minutes from September 2023 at the latest.

Proposed Changes 8:45am – 3:15pm = 6 hours 30 minutes per day

Weekly total time of 32 hours and 30 minutes per day

The gates will still open at 8:30am each morning for children to arrive on site however, they will be **locked at 8:45am** and any children arriving after this time would have to enter school via the main office and **will receive a late mark.**

At the end of the school day, gates will be unlocked as normal at 3:00pm to allow parents time to enter the playground. Children will be let out at 3:15pm.

For children in our F1 nursery class, the gates will be locked at 8:45am, children arriving after this time will have to enter school via the main office. FS1 will continue to finish at 3.25pm.

## Weekly Reflection

When he was alive, Jesus called Peter the rock. All buildings are built on rock. They have strong foundations so that they don't fall down. Peter was to become the strong foundation for Jesus' Church, not the church buildings that we sit in today, but the community of the Church that we all belong to. Peter's faith is the starting point for the Church and he is an example for all members of the Church to follow.



Saint Paul was originally known as Saul, and even presided over the persecutions of the early Christians. However, he experienced a powerful vision that caused him to convert to Christianity while on the road to Damascus. He was baptised and took the name Paul. He travelled the world preaching ceaselessly about Jesus as well as writing letters to encourage those who he could not be with.

Both saints were ordinary men but wanted to follow Jesus and were filled with faith. We are just ordinary people too. However, we can use these two great role models as an example of how we can try and follow Jesus, to believe in him, and show our faith in the way that we treat others and in all that we do.

**Ethos Statement** – I know the importance of good role models.

The following children have shown they know the importance of good role models this week:

FJH	Eleanor Hume	1DK	Sienna Grant	2RL	Ben Sutton
FJH	George Battle	1DK	Amelia Cliff	2RL	Elliott Glascott
FCB	Harry Parker	1SH	Ava Wright, Harry Stewart	2HW	Leo Llewellyn
FCB	Nancy Teese	1SH	Brody Chee, Louis Roberts	2HW	Pearl Frost

3EJ	Brooke Wilson	4LS	Henry Green	5AY	Tara Madden
3EJ	Prisha Gurnell	4LS	Elena Ruddock	5AY	Seth Jones
3DJ	Ruby Byrne	4HK	Christopher Rigg	5RM	Mariola Kisiel
3DJ	Austin Lucas	4HK	Miyah Murphy	5RM	Sebastian Webster

6KH	Whole Class!
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6GA	Noah Shevlin
6GA	Sofia Farnin

## House Points

### Last week's winners:

Close scores again. A clean sweep for Mark though. Well done!

Key Stage 1	<b>Mark</b>	Key Stage 2	<b>Mark</b>	Overall	<b>Mark</b>
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## **St Peter and Pauls Feast Day**

It was lovely to be able to go over to church together as a school family to celebrate two great saints of the church. Thank you to Fr Niall and Fr Bernard for celebrating Mass with Deacon Tony. We were reminded to be good role models and follow in the footsteps of these two great saints.



## **Summer Showcase**

After a break from performing due to restrictions, CTK were back on Friday night and all I can say is what an amazing Summer Showcase! Our talented musicians and singers did not disappoint and yet again stood with confidence in front of a packed out church. Well done to all involved and thank you for your support on the night.

Mrs Hunter



## **Brass Band**

I would like to congratulate the brass players at CTK for such a brilliant performance at the summer showcase last week. Everyone played so well and we have had nothing but lovely feedback. The children enjoyed a well-deserved brass band party on Wednesday!

We are sad to be saying goodbye to our fabulous Year 6's but we wish them every success in the future and hope they all keep playing.

Brass has now finished for the year due to next Wednesday being transition day. Miss Mackenzie will be in touch in September with all details of next term's lessons and brass band rehearsals.

Miss Mackenzie

## FS2 Trip to Thurstaston Beach

On July 13th we will be visiting Thurstaston Beach for a pirate-themed day. We will be looking at contrasting environments, learning how to stay safe at the beach and developing our teamwork skills. Activities will include a scavenger hunt, making flags, treasure maps, games and of course looking out for marauding pirates!

**Payments are to be made via ParentPay at the cost of £12.50 per child, we politely ask that payment is completed by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July.**

## Year 1 Stay and Read

Year 1 children would like to invite their parents or grandparents in to share books on **Monday 11th July** at 2.45pm. There will be a selection of our favourite books for you to read and enjoy in class or you may like to bring in a favourite from home. As space is limited, we would kindly ask that only one adult per child attends and we are also unable to accommodate younger siblings. We

"The more you **read**  
the more **things** you know.  
The more that you **learn**  
the more **places** you'll go."  
-Dr. Seuss

appreciate that not all parents/grandparents will be able to attend, but we will ensure that the children are included in small story groups with other parents or adults. Please come into school via the Year 1 outdoor area and you will be asked to sign in at the classroom doors.

## Mad Science Assembly

Last Friday we were lucky enough to finally watch a Mad Science assembly. Children were treated to some great experiments and facts, Scientific Sarah even set her hand on fire! All children went home with a leaflet on how to book onto the club if children are interested. It will be in the autumn term, Thursday till 4.15pm.



## Year 3- Roman Day

This term, Year 3 have been learning all about the Romans. We are holding a Roman Day on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July**. Children are invited to dress up for this day but please don't feel that you have to spend lots on costumes. We are sure that you have things in your homes that you could use. Thank you.

## Year 4 D.T model volcanoes



Next week, we are hoping to create model volcanoes in D.T as part of our topic on natural disasters. We have spoken to the children this week to ask them if they could bring in any materials to use for constructing the volcanoes for Monday morning.

Please do not go out and purchase things for this project, we are hoping to construct them out of junk. If you have any empty unwanted water bottles or newspapers. Additionally, if children have any other items they would like to add to the models then they are more than welcome to bring them in.

Thank you for your ongoing support.  
Year 4 team



## Year 5-Greek Day

On Friday 15th July, Year 5 will be having a Greek Day in school led by the Year 5 team. We are inviting children to participate in the day by dressing in traditional Ancient Greek clothing and, if they wish, to bring in an item of greek food to enjoy a feast. The children will take part in a variety of art, DT and musical activities throughout the day. If you have any questions please contact your child's class teacher.

## Y6 BBQ

There is a change of date for our Y6 BBQ as I have realised that it clashes with some of our children's secondary school visits. The BBQ will now be on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July. The BBQ will be held at lunchtime for the children, hopefully on the field if the weather is kind to us. School will **provide all children with a free lunch** that day as a way of celebrating their time at Christ the King.

## Upton Hall Entrance Examination September 2022

Reminder: Deadline for applications is 11 July 2022. After this date we will be unable to accept any late applications.

## PFA Update

### Summer Fair – 10<sup>th</sup> July 11AM – 2PM, Raising funds for the enrichment of our children's school lives

We still need a few more volunteers to run stalls on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July, currently we have a few stalls we will have to drop as we have no one to man them.

From Monday at afternoon pick up, we can accept your donations, please leave them under the covered area

- Pre loved Uniform items, in good clean condition
- Toys
- Soft toys
- Books
- Unwanted gifts/gift sets/new unused items
- Gift bags (we put the gifts in for the tombola stall)

If you have a child at PlayZone After School Club, you can hand your donation to the staff there and they have kindly agreed to drop it to the donation point.

**Next Friday (8<sup>th</sup>) is our 'Bring a Bottle' Non Uniform day (Football Kits ARE allowed) we accept bottles of any kind to go on our infamous bottle stall.**

And, it's almost time to get your bake on as the Cake Stall is back, can you bake (or we won't tell anyone - buy) a cake, biscuits, fairy cakes, brownies and bring on the day. As your child hands over their donation they will receive free entry into our sweet raffle and also get 10 housepoints. Most importantly, please join us for the Fair on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July, we are putting on a free craft stall so everyone can decorate a biscuit and offering every child in the school a free go on our 60 ft inflatable course (or bouncy castle), we'll have even more fun if you are there.

## Important Information regarding Term Time Holidays

Parents/carers please be aware that Fixed Penalty Notices have been reinstated by the Local Authority. Head Teachers are now only empowered to approve term time holidays in 'exceptional' circumstances. Therefore in accordance with Section 444 of the Education Act 1996 **family holidays cannot and will not be authorised**. Schools are legally bound to provide all details to their local Fixed Penalty Officer. A fixed penalty notice will then be issued. Current rates payable by parents/carers are £60 per parent/carer per child within 21 days and £120 where the

amount is paid within 28 days. If the fixed penalty notice remains unpaid this could lead to prosecution in the Magistrates Court.

As a matter of importance can we please ask parents to inform the school of any absence due to holidays. **Any absences taken when school has information that a child is on holiday will also be reported to the Fixed Penalty Officer as school is duty bound to do so.**

Thank you for your co-operation and continued support in these matters. Any problems or if you need support regarding any of the above information please do not hesitate to contact school. Further information and on attendance including guidance on 'exceptional circumstances' can be found in our Admissions and Punctuality policy on the school website.

### **Dates For Your Diary**

Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day for 'Little Acorns'
Weds/Thurs 6/7 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Days FS2 - Year 6
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Non Uniform Day 'Bring a Bottle' – football kits are allowed.
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	School Summer Fair 11am-2pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 Stay and read at 2;45pm
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	FS2 Trip to Thurstaston Beach
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers BBQ **
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 Greek Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 'Activity for All' Fun Day
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 5-6pm in school hall
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	School closes for Summer Holidays at 1:30pm
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	INSET day (School closed to pupils)
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	INSET day (School closed to pupils)
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	School reopens

\*\* Change of date