



26th March 2021

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

Message from Mrs Procter



On Tuesday, we all took part in a minutes silence to remember all of those who were affected by the corona virus. It is hard to believe that it has been twelve months since we went into our first



lockdown. We will never forget the changes the last year has brought to our lives. We ask God to hold us all in his loving hands as we take time to heal. It was a day to reflect on the setbacks – but also the successes – we have experienced in the past twelve months. This crisis year has equipped many of us, including our children with resilience and skills we never knew we had. Many of us have learnt new skills, I can now make bread - although it does take hours! Many of our children have learnt how to bake, ride their bikes, learnt new technology skills but they have also learnt how to be independent - our older children have commented how proud they are of themselves as they never realised that they could do some of the things we asked of them over lockdown. The past twelve months has given us all food for thought about the kind of future we want. It has made us all stop and think: what really matters in our lives.

It feels long overdue to get out and meet friends and next week we can but as I have discussed before we all need to ensure that we are still following the guidelines so that when we return to school after the break we are all safe- we do not want another lockdown or school closures!!

I wish you all a Happy Easter, please try to attend Mass either in Church or online with our children as we are not in school for Holy Week. We will see you all on Monday 12th April for our final term.

Weekly Reflection

Ethos Statement – I know when to ask for help and who to ask for help from.

At times in our lives we all need help. We cannot do everything on our own. Sometimes we need to go to others and ask for their help. We are not weak when we do this – often it takes a great deal of courage and effort to ask for help. This week, we heard about some friends who went to a great deal of trouble because their friend needed help. How wonderful to have such friends – friends that would go to so much trouble to ask for help for you. The friends in the story knew and believed that Jesus would be able to help their friend. It is the same for us. Jesus is always there to listens to us and to help us when we need it. We just need to remember to talk to Him.

The following children have shown they know when to ask for help this week:

FEM – Luca Smart
FEM – Alice Taylor
FCB – Delilah Frost
FCB – Jack Spriggs

1HW – Sophia MacDougall
1HW – David Nye
1SH – Hugo Pietruczuk
1SH – Leo Llewellyn

2RL – Jacob Barker
2RL – Penny Whittaker
2HS – Emily Allerston
2HS – Daisy Brown

3EJ – Thomas Roberts
3EJ – Maddison Metcalf
3LS – Lennon Balmer
3LS – Kimora Hughes

4AY – Anna Jarmulkowicz
4AY – Maggi Merrick
4DJ – Daniel Carter
4DJ – Sophia-Mae Byrne

5HK – Benjamin Buckley
5HK – Jacob Clyne
5RM – Charlotte Kneale
5RM – Noah Shevlin

6GA – Billy Mernock
6GA – Harry Forshaw
6KH – Curtis McAloon
6KH – Layla Higham

House Points

Last week's winners:

Key Stage 1 = John

Key Stage 2 = Mark

Overall = Mark

Well done everyone! We are going to add this half term's scores to next as we have only been back a couple of weeks.

Summer Uniform



When we return to school after the Easter break, children should wear their summer uniform. Boys are to wear grey shorts/trousers, white polo shirt, maroon CTK sweatshirt, grey socks and black shoes (no trainers). Girls are to wear a red and white gingham checked summer dress (example shown, **not a gingham skirt or shorts**), maroon CTK sweatshirt or cardigan, white socks and black shoes (trainers, red cardigans and white shoes/sandals or white polos shirt and red gingham skirts are not part of our school uniform). Hair bobbles for girls should be plain (no bows).

ParentPay Fraudulent Email

We have been made aware of a fraudulent email sent to one of our parents apparently from ParentPay. The email states that a bank transfer from the recipients debit card has not been successful and that they should click on the link to pay the balance immediately. In this instance our parent was being asked for £240 for school lunches. We have made ParentPay aware and their security department are investigating.



ParentPay will never contact parents to ask for payment. If your child's account is in debit you will receive a text or call from the school office asking you to bring your account up to date but please, never click on any links asking you to input your bank details as these messages will not be from either ParentPay or school. If you ever have any queries regarding your account please call the school office.

Collection of Children

When collecting your children at the end of the day could we please ask you to leave the school grounds promptly and not allow children to play on or use equipment which is outside classrooms. This is for class use only to reduce the risk of germ spreading and crossing bubbles and will have been sanitized ready for the class to use the following day. Your cooperation is appreciated.

One Life Music Lenten Reflection



This week, we took time out of our busy timetables to find time to reflect about the importance of Lent and sang and gave praise to God. We joined in a livestream event with One Life Music and many children all across the country.

Stations of the Cross

During Lent, all classes have been joining in Jesus' footsteps to the cross through focusing on the stations of the cross. For over two thousand years, people have journeyed to the Holy Land to see where Jesus lived, died and rose again. The journey is called a pilgrimage, and every place pilgrims visit is called a station.

Many people could not make a pilgrimage. The Holy Land was too far away, or countries were at war. So the stations of the cross were created. This way, the people who were not able to reach the Holy Land could still make the journey in their hearts. At each station we say a short prayer and study the picture. We think about the love Jesus has for us and how we may show that love to others. We have enjoyed spending this special time with Jesus and thinking about how each station can teach us something about how we can live our own lives.



Holy Week and Easter

All classes throughout school have been focusing on the importance of the events of Holy Week. From Jesus' triumphant journey into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday to his death and resurrection. Easter is a time of joy, celebration and new life. It is the most important time in the Church's year. Jesus' resurrection shows us that nothing is impossible to God and this fills us with great hope. Hope that all people will have the chance to live life to the full and have a future free from poverty. Hope that through working together with others we can make the world a fairer, better place for everyone to live. What is your hope for the world this Easter? How can we make it happen?

Thank You PFA!



Thanks to the PFA who have purchased these fantastic outdoor toys for each year group bubble.

The Power of Reading and Amazon

At CTK we aim to open the minds of our children through the power of reading. We want to develop our library of books across school to: inspire and engage children, support their understanding of the wider world including culture and diversity and provide role-models for the children. We have created a wish list on Amazon with lots of brilliant books chosen by children and staff that will help us to achieve our aim. We are asking for your help and generosity to build and develop this wonderful library for our children at CTK. If you are able to support us, please click the below link which will take you to our Amazon wish list page and allow you to purchase any books that you are interested in and think will enhance our children's reading engagement. Furthermore, if you are able to share this link with friends, family and our local community we would greatly appreciate it. When purchasing a book it allows you to add a gift message, which will be included with the book when it arrives, add your name to this so we can thank you for your generosity. We will keep you updated via our newsletter and twitter as our library of books develops.



As always, thank you for your on-going support.

Link: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3QL2CNKMTS7GT?ref=wl_share

Newspapers

If you have any newspapers at home you no longer need please send them into school for Y6 to use in their Art/DT project. Thank you.

Class Photographs

Kittle Photography will be in school on Tuesday 13th April to take all class photographs. They will also be taking individual photographs of our Year 6 children for their leavers year books.

Are You Missing a Drone?

A drone has been found on the grassed area behind the school hedges on Allport Road. If this is yours or you know who it belongs to, it can be collected from the school office.

News from Christ the King Parish Church



There have been lots of changes taking place at Christ the King Church even before the pandemic began. We are very fortunate that the reordering works and redecorating has now been completed and that we are fully open for all masses. We are still under some restrictions but if you and your family would like to join us over Easter then you will be warmly welcomed.

Our opening times for Easter Week are

Holy Thursday 1st April 7:30pm

Stations of the Cross Good Friday 2nd April 12 noon

Good Friday Service 2nd April 3pm

Easter Vigil Saturday 3rd April 8pm

Easter Sunday 4th April 10am

There may be availability on the day but if you would like to guarantee a space we ask that you book in advance by emailing the parish office at secretarychristtheking@hotmail.co.uk with the names of those attending and a contact telephone number (for Test and Trace purposes).

We know that lots of people have made enquiries with the school as to when we can begin the First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion Sacraments for the year 4s and 3s. We are working closely with the Diocese and the school to get these in the diary as soon as government guidelines allow. Thank you for your patience and your understanding – we want this for your children as much as you do! For those of you with younger children, after the Easter break we will start to get bookings for Baptisms in the diary so please bear with us that little bit longer.

We wish you a happy and holy Easter break.

Year 3 Egyptian Day

What a superb day we had in school this week celebrating all the great learning we have done on the Ancient Egyptians. A special thank you goes to all the parents who helped make the day extra special with super costumes. It really is appreciated.

In place of our trip to the Liverpool Museum, we will be having virtual workshop in school to complete our Egyptian topic on **Thursday 15th April**. The cost for the workshop is **£4 per child**. Please ensure payment is made via Parent Pay by Monday 12th April to ensure it is able to go ahead. Many thanks.



Year 4 Mayan Day



In year 4, we have finished our topic with a Mexican Mayan day. We spent the morning making our own sombreros and learning Spanish. We also found out about the Mexican flag and flags of the surrounding countries. To complete our learning about the Mayans we found out about different theories for the decline of the Mayan civilisation. In the afternoon we enjoyed painting our

designs onto our Mayan masks that we made last week!



Year 5 Methodist Church – Lenten Workshops

At this time of year, our Year 5 children usually visit the Methodist Church to join other children from local schools to find out more about the Easter Story. This year, we had to hold the events virtually but we still enjoyed the activities and thank those involved at the Methodist church for organising it for us.

Upton Hall Admissions Application for 2022 Entry

The Admissions Entrance Examination Application Form for 2022 entry is now available on Upton Hall's website. There is a strict deadline of Monday 12 July 2021 for applications.

PFA Update

Very soon we hope life will get back to normal and we can resume our fundraising activities again. In the meantime we have found a way that we can still raise funds for school, have fun with our families and stay at home and still wear elasticated trousers 😊



Eyes Down we're playing Bingo. Our Zoom Bingo is taking place on Saturday 10th April at 7pm, via zoom suitable for all the family. The event is hosted by Brendan Riley from Comedy Bingo and is set to be full of fun, prizes and lots of laughs!! It costs £10 per device or family.

We are limited to how many people can join so please book yourself on today via Judith.ashton@me.com

Remember the Halloween trail we did? Let's do an Easter one, put an Easter picture in your window, big enough so it can be seen from the road. Please join our facebook page by searching for Christ the King PFA and answer the security questions. Look for the Easter Trail post and pop your postcode in the comments and we'll put together a trail map again. Your pic needs to be on display from Mon 29th March to Mon 5th April. Persuade your friends and neighbours on your road to do it as well. We can all then take our daily exercise and go and find Easter pics. The more we get up, the better, plus you can waste a couple of hours on the making of the pictures of Eggs and Bunnies. Everybody who registers themselves will go into the draw to win our Easter Hamper (no charge to take part).



Arrowe Park Sports Centre Easter Activity Camp

MULTI SPORTS CAMP

We are continuing our hugely successful Holiday Camps at our new Arrowe Park Sports Centre!

Featuring a mix of unique and well-known sports, our camps provide a perfect blend of specialist coaching and holiday fun for children aged 5-11.

EASTER SPORTS CAMP
Monday 29th March – Thursday 31st April
Tuesday 6th April – Friday 9th April
9:00am – 3:00pm
(wrap around care available 8:30am–5:00pm)

activity for all

FEATURING
Football – Badminton – Cricket – Rounders
Multi Skills – Volleyball – and so much more!

£20 per day
£60 week pass

Activity for All
Arrowe Brook Road, Upton, CH49 1AB

To book, or for more information:
0151 329 0999
www.activityforall.com

Children have spent a long amount of time without access to high-quality physical activity and we want to change that. We are operating a Sports Camp this Easter Holiday that delivers high-quality sports and physical activity within current restrictions and guidelines. Children will have access to amazing facilities and brilliant sports-based sessions in a safe and stimulating environment. We have worked tirelessly to ensure that all children who attend are safe and that all of our activities fit in with current guidance from the Government. We want children to still be able to socialise and practice key physical skills, all of which they haven't had chance to build throughout lockdown.

Poetry Competition

Over the Easter break the children may like to take part in the Christopher Salmon Poetry Competition, open to all children in school. More information can be found on the websites displayed on this poster.

The Christopher Salmon Foundation
in partnership with
Wirral Poetry Festival and Wirral Libraries

The Christopher Salmon Poetry Competition 2021
For poems on the theme of
Friendship

For people in Wirral aged 10 years and under, in
full-time education. Entry is Free
Prizes of £100 for each of five age categories
7 and under (8-11) 11-13 (14-16) 16-19

Entry closes on 30 May 2021
For full details visit:
www.wirral.gov.uk/libraries
wirralpoetryfestival.org.uk/christophersalmon
www.chrisssalmon.org.uk

Wirral Council logo and other partners.

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 12 th April	School re-opens
Tuesday 13 th April	Class Photographs & Year 6 Yearbook Photographs
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday – School closed
Friday 28 th May	School closes for half term
Monday 7 th June	School re-opens
Tuesday 20 th July	School closes for summer holidays - 1.30pm



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THE FOLLOWING DATES RELATE TO THE REMAINDER OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR SEPTEMBER 2020 – JULY 2021

Spring Term 2021	School closes for half term	:	Friday 12 th February 2021
	School reopens	:	Monday 22 nd February 2021
	School closes for Spring Break at 1.30pm	:	Friday 26 th March 2021
Summer Term	School reopens	:	Monday 12 th April 2021
	MAY BANK HOLIDAY	:	Monday 3 rd May 2021
	School Closes for half term	:	Friday 28 th May 2021
	School reopens	:	Monday 7 th June 2021
	School closes for Summer holidays at 1.30pm	:	Tuesday 20 th July 2021

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Autumn Term 2021	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Wednesday 1 st September 2021
	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Thursday 2 nd September 2021
	School reopens	:	Friday 3 rd September 2021
	School closes for half term	:	Thursday 21 st October 2021
	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Friday 22 nd October 2021
	Inset Day (School Closed to pupils)	:	Monday 1 st November 2021
	School reopens	:	Tuesday 2 nd November 2021
	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Monday 6 th December 2021
	School closes for Christmas at 1.30pm	:	Friday 17 th December 2121
Spring Term 2021	School reopens	:	Tuesday 4 th January 2022
	School closes for half term	:	Friday 18 th February 2022
	School reopens	:	Monday 28 th February 2022
	School closes for Spring Break at 1.30pm	:	Friday 8 th April 2022
Summer Term	School reopens	:	Monday 25 th April 2022
	MAY BANK HOLIDAY	:	Monday 2 nd May 2022
	School Closes for half term	:	Friday 27 th May 2022
	School reopens	:	Monday 6 th June 2022
	School closes for Summer holidays at 1.30pm	:	Thursday 21 st July 2022