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

Message from Mrs Procter to the children.



Today we finally break up for the summer holidays, which means that you do not have to do anymore home school learning. I am so proud of all of you as I know that you have all been working hard at home over the last eighteen weeks. In September we will all finally be together, school might look a little different but all the teachers will be here to welcome you back. Make sure you look on your new class page as there is a video from all of your teachers on there. Have a lovely holiday, be good, stay safe and I will see you all on Thursday 3rd September.

Thank you!!

We would like to thank our current Head Girl, Head Boy, Deputy Head Girl and Deputy Head Boy who have done an amazing job representing our school this year. They will be coming back next year to help me shortlist the new application forms from our Year 5.



New Heads and Deputies



Year 5 over the summer holidays you might like to have a think about whether you would like to apply for the position of our Head Girl/Head boy, Deputy Head Girl/ Deputy Head Boy. I will meet with you all once we return to school in September and will be handing out the application forms. I am looking for children who will represent our school and will meet with me each half term for a working lunch, where we decide what things we need to do to improve our school.

Message to Parents

Well what a year it has been as we now break up for the summer holidays it is feeling very strange within school as we have not had the usual excitement and enjoyed the end of year activities that we normally do. We are delighted that when we return in September we will be welcoming **ALL** year groups back. I am sure some of you will be anxious about how your children will settle in school after such a long period of time but I can assure you we will be ready to deal with anything that comes along. Some children may have slipped back a little in their learning, some will be ahead and others will be were they left off in March, whatever the situation we will be ready to deal with it!

The last eighteen weeks we will never see again, we are privileged as parents to have had this extra time with our children- even if some days it did not feel like it!! Already things are starting to change; this week I have gone back to cooking three meals a night as clubs are slowly beginning to return, we have had less family bike rides and my girls are now meeting friends for socially distanced catch ups. I had great plans of decorating the house, tidying the drawers, organising the garage and becoming a proficient baker, unfortunately none of these things have happened!! However, I have spent more time with my family and realised we do not need to be going out and being busy but can entertain ourselves at home and I have managed to keep our school open throughout the lockdown period to support our families of key workers.

We will never get this time back so please try and enjoy the school holidays, you do not need to complete any home learning. For the next six weeks have fun as a family- remember your children are little but when you blink they will be 18, going off to university, then parents of their own. So take it in, let them sit on your knee, hold your hand, climb into bed with you at any hour of the night, sing the song they request or read the story they want for the tenth time. Hold them a little tighter, yes when raising children there are days that we lose our minds- especially over the last few weeks but boy do we find our soul! Embrace the exhaustion, the hard days, the overwhelming and the joy as too soon they will be gone!

I hope you all have a relaxing summer holidays and I would like to thank you all for your support over the last few months, your emails and messages have really helped us as a staff get through these very strange times. You have all supported the changes within school that we have had to make and have made our job easier.



I have seen on social media that some parents who have been home learning everyday with their child, now have a collection of paintings, cards, leaf sculptures, pictures and junk models however I am very sorry you are **not** allowed to bag them up and send them into school just because we send them home in a bag for you every year!!



In September we will continue to use all three gates to enter and exit school and to have a staggered start and end of the day. This is to help with the amount of parents on the yard at any time. Please see the table below for drop off and collection points and times for each year group. Can I ask that you please stick to your allocated times as if people are late it will impact on other time slots. If you have siblings within school then please drop all children off at the first time slot as all staff will be in their classrooms for 8.30pm. All parents must have their faces covered whilst on site- this can be a mask or a scarf.

	FS1	FS2	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Drop off time	8.45 am	9.00 am	8.40 am	8.30 am	8.40 am	8.30 am	8.45 am	8.55 am
Drop off location	Little Acorn gate	Little acorns path	Little Acorns path Y1 door	Main entrance	Main entrance	KS2 Yard	KS2 Yard	KS2 Yard
Entrance/Exit	Little Acorn	Classroom doors	Little Acorn gate	Y2 back doors	Y3 back doors	Church gate	Church gate	Church gate
Collection time	3.25 pm	3.15 pm	3.10 pm	3.00 pm	3.10 pm	3.00 pm	3.10 pm	3.20 pm

PFA

Just to update you on the Just Giving Page, it is currently standing at £728 raised so far. Some parents have asked if they can keep fundraising over Summer and the answer is of course a big fat yes!!!

Every year we hold a Summer Fair that raises many thousands of pounds for us unfortunately that couldn't happen this year so we have handed the fundraising over to the children.



They can raise money by doing chores, sponsored events, games, quizzes the list is endless. The PFA have now set up a Just Giving page that we hope will make it easier to pay the money in. Here is the link

https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/ChristTheKingPFASummerFair?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=campaign&utm_content=ChristTheKingPFASummerFair&utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_term=2673717df8744ffb883c7294bd5d0371

Congratulations to Y3 Willow bubble who completed a sponsored skip on Wednesday. Their target was 1,000 skips but between them they skipped an amazing 6,351 times. Well done Willow bubble!



Reopening of Christ the King Church



I am very happy to announce that we been given the go-ahead to restart masses here at Christ the King. Until further notice we will be open for mass on Tuesday 9:15am, Thursday 9:15am, Saturday 6pm, Sunday 10am and Sunday 6pm. This will come into effect from Tuesday 14th July.

We are adopting the 1m+ guidelines to increase our capacity for masses which means that we be able to welcome 63 individuals for each mass. There is the possibility to increase this number if you come as households/bubbles. In keeping with government 'test and trace' measures and to maintain capacity we are asking parishioners to book in for weekend masses. There is a form available on the website and to take away from church outlining the details that we need. Please can you either pop these through the letterbox or email the required info to secretarychristtheking@hotmail.co.uk before 9am on Fridays. The office will be in touch if your requested mass has reached maximum capacity.

Parking in Golden Park Chinese Restaurant

We have been contacted by the owners of the Chinese restaurant located on the New Chester Road at the end of Neville Road who have asked us to inform parents that using their car park either before or after school is strictly prohibited.

Exciting New Lunch Menu

When we return to school in September the children will be able to choose from our exciting new lunch menu. Our catering will now be managed in-house meaning that we have been able to devise our own menu which we are sure that the children will love.

All KS1 children are to have a free school lunch from September- no packed lunches will be allowed. The children can choose from a hot meal, the deli bar, jacket potato or panini so there is lots of choice.

Lunches for Children Moving in to Year 3

Just a reminder that children moving into Year 3 (Key Stage 2) are no longer eligible for free school meals. If your child would like a school meal they are priced at £2.40 per day and must be paid for in advance on ParentPay.

Y6 Celebration Day



We had a typical British BBQ for our Y6 on Wednesday in the rain!! However, in true Chris the King style we made the best of it and our Y6 enjoyed a socially distanced celebration together for one final time. We will be very sorry to see them go but know they are all ready for the next chapter of their life, as we told them yesterday they will always be remembered as our Covid 19 year group!



Choir



I'm just writing to let our wonderful choir know what is happening in September. Unfortunately due to the present situation we are not allowed to rehearse as singing is prohibited in large groups so at the moment choir isn't able to go ahead.

I am hopeful that in September we will be given clearer guidance as to when we can resume, hopefully it will be after Christmas and we will then be able to start again and focus on an amazing end of year showcase.

We can only wait and see and I am sorry it's not clearer for you. As soon as we can start again we will. Mrs Hunter x

Helping our Community

One of our Little Acorns, Eleanor Jones, has been very busy during lockdown delivering food parcels to people in need in the community. Well done Eleanor, we are very proud of you!



Weekly Reflection



This week's Gospel story was about the Sower who planted seeds but the seeds fell in different places. The seeds that fell on the edge of the path were eaten by birds. The seeds that fell on rocky ground withered when the sun came up because they didn't have good roots. The seeds that fell amongst thorny weeds grew but got strangled. However, the seeds that fell on the good soil grew strong plants and produced more seeds. The seeds in this story represent good things from God – particularly the word of God. The soil represents our hearts, and how well we allow God's word to be 'planted' in our hearts.

Now, Jesus told this story a long time ago when He was on earth, so clearly, it's not about the coronavirus! But let's imagine for a moment that it is, and the seeds are all the good things God has given us. The coronavirus felt like the birds coming in to steal our good things, keeping us away from school and our friends. At first maybe we started off enjoying lockdown and it felt fun to be doing schoolwork from home. Maybe we threw ourselves into lots of projects and kept ourselves very busy. But it probably got old quickly and our initial enjoyment and positivity faded. That's when we felt like the rocky ground where the good things didn't have deep roots.

Finally, we think about the thorny weeds. As the effects of lockdown became more obvious - adults worrying about their work, school STILL being closed, end of year events that you'd been looking forward to being cancelled etc. maybe it felt like all these bad things, these 'weeds' were affecting our ability to see good things.

What we need to remember is that Jesus is the farmer in this story, who plants good things from God in our lives and the word of God in our hearts. Jesus wants us to be like the good soil, where the seeds can grow strong and multiply. That means the seed – God's word in our hearts that helps us have faith – can grow! Jesus knows there will be difficult things in our lives. Things that feel like birds coming to steal our joy, rocky ground where things feel more difficult, weeds strangling our hard work and things we were looking forward to. But no matter what other things are around that we are distracted by, when we allow Jesus into our lives, our eyes become eyes of faith – and He helps us to see the good things and be thankful for them!

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

Autumn Term 2020	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Tuesday 1st September 2020
	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Wednesday 2nd September 2020
	School reopens to pupils	:	Thursday 3rd September 2020
	School closes for half term	:	Thursday 22nd October 2020
	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Friday 23rd October 2020
	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Monday 2nd November 2020
	School reopens	:	Tuesday 3rd November 2020
	School closes for Christmas at 2.00pm	:	Friday 18th December 2020
Spring Term 2021	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)	:	Monday 4th January 2021
	School reopens	:	Tuesday 5th January 2021
	School closes for half term	:	Friday 12th February 2021
	School reopens	:	Monday 22nd February 2021
	School closes for Spring Break at 2.00pm	:	Friday 26th March 2021
Summer Term	School reopens	:	Monday 12th April 2021
	MAY BANK HOLIDAY	:	Monday 3rd May 2021
	School Closes for half term	:	Friday 28th May 2021
	School reopens	:	Monday 7th June 2021
	School closes for Summer holidays at 2.00pm	:	Tuesday 20th July 2021

Christ the King Catholic Primary School Uniform

Winter Uniform

Boys Uniform

Grey Trousers
White CTK Polo Shirt
Maroon CTK Sweatshirt
Grey Socks
Black School Shoes(No trainers)

Girls Uniform

Grey Skirt/Pinafore
White CTK Polo Shirt
Maroon CTK Sweatshirt/Cardigan
Grey Socks/Tights (No other colours)
Black School Shoes
Plain Hair Bobbles (no bows)

Summer Uniform

Boys Uniform

Grey Shorts
White CTK Polo Shirt
Maroon CTK Sweatshirt
Grey Socks
Black School Shoes (No trainers)

Girls Uniform

Red Checked Summer Dress
Maroon CTK Sweatshirt/Cardigan
White Socks
Black School Shoes
Plain Hair Bobbles (no bows)

Maroon CTK Book Bag/Rucksack – no other bags

PE Uniform

Maroon PE Shorts
White T-Shirt
Black Pumps
Dark Coloured Tracksuit (for outdoor use)
Trainers (for outdoor use)
Maroon CTK Draw-String Pump Bag

Uniform can be purchased from:

The Other Uniform Shop
Brimstage Hall Courtyard
Brimstage Road
CH63 6JA
0151 348 4041

Wirral Uniform Centre
2 Princes Pavement
Birkenhead
CH41 2XY
0151 647 9588