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

17th February 2023

Message from Mrs Procter

Today we break up for half term I know that some of the children are ready for the break and maybe one or two of the staff too. I hope that you all have chance to spend some time together as a family, remember Wednesday 22^{nd} is Ash Wednesday which is the start of Lent- ashes are available from church at the 9:15am Mass and at 6pm.

Next term is a busy term with residentials and trips so we will be keeping everything crossed that the weather is kind to us. Our Y3 children will be continuing on their Sacramental journey please remember the change of date- the meeting in school has changed to Monday 27^{th} due to the industrial action planned for 28^{th} , the Reconciliation Mass will still take place on the 15^{th} March even if the industrial action goes ahead.

Industrial action on 28th February the following classes only will be open.

Little Acorns Year 1 Mrs Dobson Year 3 Miss Jones Year 4 Mrs Kane Year 5 Mr James

Have a lovely week and we will see you all on Monday 27th February.

Weekly Reflection



Next week, we begin our journey through Lent. Ash Wednesday marks the start of this time of fasting, prayer and almsgiving. In Lent we concentrate on prayer, fasting and giving. However, the most important thing about it is love. When we pray we are saying to God how much we love Him but we are also filled afresh with His love. When we give something up it can be hard and we can have a craving for it but when we don't give into temptation we grow as a person and we become better at

making good decisions. Fasting in Lent is about loving ourselves so much that we are willing to grow. We also try and give our time and money to those around us which shows love to others and their needs. Lent is about getting in touch with God and remembering how much He loves us.

Although we are off next week, you can still go and receive your ashes.

Mass Times for Wednesday 22nd February: 9:15 am and 6:00pm

Remember that during Lent, our church will be open before and after school for you to spend time with your children in prayer. We are also going to be arranging some fundraising to support the important work of CARITAS and the Good Shepherd Appeal.

Ethos Statement – I try to appreciate the beauty and wonder in the world around me.

The following children have shown they appreciate the beauty and wonder in the world this week.

FJH	Jonah Chee	1DK	Zofia Cooper	2RL	Whole Class
FJH	Connor Edwards	1DK	Oscar Byrne	2RL	
FBG	Rory Morad	1SH	Joseph Kelly	2HW	Oliver Speirs
FBG	Arthur Peers	1SH	Jospeph Flynn-Moran	2HW	Sophia Cheung

3EJ	Grace Trevor	4HS	Benjamin Ashton- Martin	5AY	Georgie O'Neill
3EJ	Isabelle Mather	4HS	Edith Charles	5AY	Oliver Sherry
3DJ	Pearl Frost	4HK	Benjamin O'Hare	5MJ	Daisy Downey
3DJ	Ethan Howes	4HK	Jack Jones	5MJ	James O'Reilly

6KH	Olivia Trinidad.
6KH	Sophie McKnight
6RM	Mariola Kisiel
6RM	Sebastian Webster

House Points

Last week's winners:

KS1 Mark KS2 Mark Overall Mark	
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British Values Week

This week our school council led an assembly on British Values. They reminded us about the 5 British Values: democracy, rule of law, tolerance of those with other cultures and faiths, mutual respect and individual liberty. We have already embedded many of these at CTK through voting, following our school rules, visits from the police and learning about crime and punishment in Year 6. We are lucky to have so many student voice groups who make a difference at CTK and we always respect differences and celebrate uniqueness. This week we have exemplified British Values with



a focus on 'fairness'. Well done to the school council for their excellent presentation!

Ten Pin Bowling Competition

Some of our KS1 and KS2 children took park in a ten pin bowling competition this week and had some of the highest scores in the competition! The children played ever so well and had lots of fun.



Easter Concert

On the 24th March at 3:30pm we will be holding the Easter Concert in the Junior Hall to celebrate the talents of Recorder, Keyboard & Guitar players. A maximum of 2 tickets per participating child will be available nearer to the date.

Autism and Sea

Autism and Sea is a sensory friendly stage show visiting the Brindley Theatre, Runcorn on Saturday 4th March (12pm and 3pm). It is an immersive introduction to the lives of Finn, Ollie and Astrid that explores how certain traits impact their everyday lives. The show is based on a series of books by Amy Le Dain.



Beetle Drive- Minnie Vinnies and Faith Leaders

The Mini Vinnies, Faith Leaders and School Council have teamed up to organise a Beetle Drive for Parishioners on **Friday 10th March** from 1:30 until 2:45. The children are asked to bring in some cakes, biscuits or buns on that morning please. If any parents/grandparents would like to come along to help organise making hot drinks on the Friday afternoon it would really be appreciated. Please let Miss Jones know.

World Book Day

It's that time of year again! World Book Day is on **Thursday 2nd March** and we want to continue our mission of getting children reading for pleasure both in school and at home. This year we are inviting children to come into school in their pyjamas (or onesies) and bring in their favourite book to share with their classmates, teachers and other children across school. The day will see the return of storytime with Mrs Procter, Mrs Barker and Mrs Jones, which the children have been enjoying once a term over the last year.

Gardening Club-Year 1 and Year 2

Mrs Haigh is looking for enthusiastic helpers from Year 1 and Year 2 to join her gardening club. This will run weekly on Wednesdays after school until 4.15pm, beginning on the 1st March with the last session being on the 29th March. We will be growing flowers, fruit and vegetables and learning to develop the eco-system that supports them.



If your child is interested in attending please email: jhaigh@christtheking.wirral.sch.uk

<u>Chess Club- Year 2 – Year 6 All welcome</u>



After an enthusiastic response from Year 2, Mrs Allen will be moving chess club from Friday lunchtime to an after-school club on Wednesday evenings. This will run from 3.15 – 4.00 p.m.

The club will be open to all pupils who are interested in the game – beginners are welcome, as well as more experienced players. Numbers will be limited, so it will be on a first-come basis. Please fill out the form below (or write a note) and give to Mrs Allen (5MJ) if you would like to attend. The club will commence

on Wednesday 1st March – look forward to seeing you there!

Year 3 Stone Age Trip

Good News! We have been offered a new date for our cancelled trip. We will be going on Tuesday 21st March. Children will require a packed lunch and warm clothing on the day as before. Nothing else needs to be done as all monies had been paid. Thank you for your patience. Fingers crossed it doesn't snow!

Year 3 Roman Trip to Chester

Year 3 will be going on a trip to the Grosvenor Museum in Chester on **Wednesday 19th April**. During this day they will discover why the Romans came to Britain and specifically Chester. They will look at real and replica artefacts, discuss archaelogy, building Roman Chester and the Roman World. The children will also carry shields and march through the city of Chester to the ampihtheatre for formations training. This will really support the work that they are covering on the Romans in class.

The price for this trip and transport will be £14.30. This trip will be live on ParentPay. We ask that all monies be paid in full by **Thursday 30th March (before we break up for Easter)**

Year 3- Junk Materials DT Project

Year 3 are hoping to start making their Stone Age Hunting tools after the holidays so If anyone has any kitchen rolls, long cardboard tubes (like those found inside rolls of wrapping paper), bits of tinfoil, string or any other suitable materials could you send them to the Year 3 classes please. Any items would be very much appreciated. Thank you.



Year 3 Reminders



- Just a reminder that Y3's **PE** days will be **TUESDAYS** and **FRIDAYS** again in Spring 2. They should come to school in their PE kits on these days.
- The meeting for those children making their **First Reconciliation** is now **Monday 27**th **February** and not Tuesday 28th February. Please be prompt so that the session can start at 5pm in the school hall. Many thanks.

4HS Class Mass

This week Fr Louis and Deacon Tony celebrated Mass with 4HS. They talked about how Jesus went through suffering because God wanted him to be a sacrifice for all of us. We must remember that even though we will experience suffering in our lives, we must remember that God will be there to help us through. Well done, Year 4 for your great behaviour.



Year 5/6 Football Match

Our Y5/6 football team played a match against Great Meols in the next round of the Houlihan Cup. What an intense match it was from beginning to end but we were pleased to win 3-2. Well done everyone! Big thank you to their coachEd Adam Jones and Ben McWha.

Reminder Year 6 Residential Trip Payment

Year 6 Residential payments to be completed before the 28th February

Wirral Music Festival

The choir and the recorder club will be competing in the Wirral Music Festival on Saturday 25th March. Attending is a great opportunity for the choir and recorder club to show off their talents and the more that can attend the more impressive we are.

FS2 Trip to Imagine That!

Imagine that! We are going to an interactive museum as part of science week on Tuesday 28th March 2023. The trip will include a minimum of three science workshops. They have introduced some exciting new workshops for the new academic year, exploring the properties of solids and gases in an amazing visual experience. If that is not enough, we then get to explore all of the different areas: imagination village, creation area (we get to paint on cars!) and science investigation area (where we stand inside a giant bubble!).



The cost of the trip is £15 which must be paid via ParentPay before 17th March. Your child must wear their school jumper or cardigan but can have their own t-shirt and bottoms. A packed lunch from the school canteen will be provided for the trip and the children with allergies will be catered for. We will leave and return within school hours so drop off and pick up times will remain the same as a normal school day. This trip was fantastic last time we went and we are really looking forward to taking the children. Thanks, FS2 Team:)

New out of hours cost of living helpline

Involve Northwest, in partnership with Citizens Advice Wirral, have launched a new out of hours helpline for individuals who are struggling with the cost of living.

It will be live every Tuesday night (5pm – 8pm), until May this year. It's a free advice service to provide help and support around:

- Helping people to manage their money
- Fuel & Food poverty
- Debt

Currently, they have a team of 3 experienced Advisors to staff the phones and, if the team cannot resolve anything during the call, referrals will be made for additional support. Due to the number of Advisors, people may experience a short wait when trying to connect.

The number for people to call is: 0808 175 3660

We are recruiting!

Playzone have an opportunity to add an enthusiastic, flexible and friendly new member to their team. Previous experience in working with children is preferred, but online training with a mentor will be available if wanted. A desire to work with children in a relaxing play environment is a must! Childcare will no longer be an issue as some of our staff bring their school age children to socialise, play and enjoy free sessions as they work.

If you feel ready for a new challenge please register your interest via email to to Cath Ravenscroft, Louise Somers and Tricia Piggott <u>playzonectk@gmail.com</u>
Give it a try!

PFA News

Wow, what a creative bunch you are! There were over 200 entries to the PFA competition, well done to everyone and thank you for taking the time to think up your yummy ideas!

It was very difficult for our Head Girl & Boy, Rose and Matthew to choose the winners. They looked at every tasty plate and were amazed by the exciting ingredients and colourful creations! They said...

'Wow, that was hard work! 10 out of 10 for everyone! We hope people are getting excited about making their pancakes next week. There were so many great entries we had to give some of our favourites a special mention.

Here are our winners!...'

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1st Place - Aluna Graves

2nd Place - Lucas Millington

3rd Place - Toby Evans







*Rosie O'Hare *Eleanor Hulme *Thea Shevish * Eva Lockwood

<u>KS2</u>

1st Place - Mia Loughran

2nd Place – Freddie Baker

3rd Place - Poppy Glascott







*Liam O'Toole * Anna Jarmulkowicz *Freddie Thomas *Amelia Graves

1st Place Prize - £20 Hanky Panky Pancakes Voucher 2nd Place Prize – LIKE Creperie, Eastham Voucher 3rd Place Prize – Sweet Box

Lots of children said they would be giving something up for lent which starts the day after pancake day. There were some pretty huge commitments made! From giving up chocolate, sweets, crisps, fizzy drinks and even YouTube and watching tablets. We would love to hear how the children get on with this after Easter. Good luck everyone!



<u>Dates for your Diary</u>

Friday 17 th February	School closes for Half Term Break			
Friday 24 th February	KS2 Parish Youth Club 6:45pm-8pm (Church Hall)			
Monday 27 th February	School reopens			
Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day			
Monday 6 th March	Year 6 Residential			
Friday 10 th March	Minnie Vinnies Beetle Drive			
Monday 13 th March	Science Week			
Tuesday 21st March 2023	Year 3 Stone Age Trip			
Friday 24 th March	Class Photographs			
Saturday 25 th March	Wirral Music Festival			
Monday 27 th March	Year 2 Residential trip			
Tuesday 28 th March	FS2 'Imagine that' Visit			
Wednesday 19 th April	Year 3 Roman Trip			