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

# 24th November 2023

# **Message from Mrs Procter**

We have had a fantastic day today in school celebrating the feast of Christ the King. We started the day with a special procession into church behind our CtK banner and have finished the day with an extra playtime this afternoon and a cake-I know how to win brownie points with the children!!

Tonight our choir are performing at Chester Cathedral and they are very excited. I have heard the rehearsal so I know that you are all in for a treat. The stage has gone up this afternoon so that means that the Christmas season will soon be upon us. Please make sure you check the date of the productions as we only have one performance per year group so you don't want to miss it. I hope to see lots of our families at Mass on Sunday as we will be holding a family Mass at 10.00am-wouldn't it be great if we could fill the church!

# **Weekly Reflection**

#### Ethos Statement – I understand that rights match responsibility.

Everyone in our school is very special because we are all made by God. We are all part of God's creation and we are all God's children. Because of this, we have the right to be treated as a child of God, we have the right to be loved; respected; cared for; live in peace and many more. With these rights comes the responsibility to work to try to make sure that all people have the same. In Matthew's Gospel Jesus tells a parable about how some people will be welcomed by God at the end of time because they understood their responsibility was to take care of others who weren't as well-off as they were. The best way that we can help those who don't have all that is rightfully theirs is to pray for them. So our mission this week is to pray that everyone in our world is treated fairly and equally.

The following children have shown they know rights match responsibilities this week:

FJH	Ruby Rose Rimmer	1DH	Aluna Rae Graves	2HK	Ted Evans
FJH	Hattie Wheeler	1DH	Rosie McCulla	2HK	Bella Lynch
FBG	Alice Howes	1SH	Rory Morad	2HW	Joseph Campbell
FBG	Mollie Bastow	1SH	Alfie Rowell Jones	2HW	Scarlett Bull

3EJ	Louis Roberts	4DJ	Elliott Glascott	5AY	Cora McWha
3EJ	Harry Farnin- Roden	4DJ	Edith Teese	5AY	Charlie Lally
3KH	Luca Smart	4RL	Tomu Masi	5MJ	Benjamin O'Hare
3KH	Eleanor McGee	4RL	William Spencer	5MJ	George Moynihan

6HS	Georgie O'Neill
6HS	Izzabella Rogan

	Miyah Murphy
6RM	Gino Vokes

### **Team Points**

#### **Welcome to CtK**

This week we welcomed the Rawnsley family and Teddy to CTK by placing their pebble in our school jar to show they are now part of our school family.

### Feast of Christ the King 2023



This coming Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Christ

the King. As we are not in school on this day, we celebrated together today. Year 4 led us in a beautiful Mass where the children read, sang and responded brilliantly. Thank you to Fr Louis and Deacon Tony for celebrating the Mass for us. Deacon Tony talked about how we sometimes need glasses to be able to see more clearly. He likened this to our faith and how we needed faith to see the world more clearly too. He encouraged us to go to Mass regularly as this is the best way of improving our faith and relationship with Jesus.

We enjoyed spending time together with an extra play and enjoyed a sweet treat too. What a lovely time it was coming together to celebrate as a school family.

#### **Holy Souls**

During the month of November, we pray especially for all those who have died. All children in school thought about someone they would like to pray for and added it to our Entrance Hall display. We will keep all of these people in our prayers during the next few weeks.

# **Family Mass**

Please do try and join us at the 10am Mass on Sunday. All are welcome. We would particularly like to see as many of the Year 3 children who will be making their Holy Communion soon. Please come and support us with the singing.

#### **Parish News**

<u>PARISH JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB:</u> Next meeting is 6.45pm on Friday 1st December. Children from Y3-6 are welcome to come along to the parish hall and have some fun.

CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER AT CHRIST THE KING CHURCH: As part of our 'Outreach Ministry' we are once again extending an invitation and warm welcome to anyone who would wish to join us on Christmas Day. If you wish to come along, volunteer to assist or know of anyone who might benefit from a hot meal and some friendship on this Holy Day, please speak to the clergy or contact the parish office. Fr Louis, Fr Humphrey & Deacon Tony

#### Minnie Vinnies Visit to Mendell Court

This week, our Mini Vinnies walked round to Mendell Court Residential home to meet some of the residents. We gave each resident a God's Eye that the children have been making with a little note to explain what they are. It was lovely meeting the residents and getting to know them. We look forward to future visits and getting to know our new friends.

## **Advent Prayer Bags**

Once again, our Faith Leaders have put together Advent Prayer Bags for children in FS1 to Y2 to start taking home from the end of next week. Children can sign up to take the bags home for the evening. The resources will allow you and your child to have some time to talk about the Christmas story and how you can prepare to celebrate this important time in the Church's Year.



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. Missing items and late returns mean that not all children will get chance to have their turn. We appreciate your help with this. We hope you enjoy spending time with your children in this special way.

#### **UNICEF Blue Day**

Thank you so much for all your support in sending your children into school dressed in blue and for donating money to this wonderful cause. I will let you know exactly how much was raised once it has been counted and please rest assured that your money will really make a difference to children from all around the world.

Thank you again.
Mrs Kane and the UNICEF group





### Year 5 trip to Port Sunlight

Year 5 had an amazing day on our trip to Port Sunlight on Thursday. We enjoyed travelling on the train to the historic village of Port Sunlight and then spent the day exploring the village. We learned a lot to build on our history and geography knowledge from school, and it was great to see all the landmarks of the village in real life

#### **School Council**

On Friday 1st December we invite you to come to school in your Pyjamas and bring a donation of either £1 or anything that you can afford. This is to support the local charity 'Childrens Hospital Pyjamas.' All monies will go towards gifting pairs of pyjamas to young children to wear on Christmas Day whilst in hospital. You can find out more about this worthy cause on their website.

https://www.childrenshospitalpyjamas.co.uk/



#### **Neurodevelpmental Team Helpline**

The Neurodevelopmental team have started a new advice line that parents and carers can contact for advice and support if they have concerns with their children. They can support parents with children on the neurodevelopmental pathway for ASC or ADHD or answer any concerns you have before starting any referrals. They will consult with you over the phone and if needed can set up face to face appointments. This is a well needed service with the referral pathways taking over 18 months to reach paediatricians

The number is 0151 514 0219

If any parents use this service, I would love to hear if it was of any support.

Thanks Mrs Jones

#### Residential trips 2024

Residential trips next year have been booked for our Year 2 and Year 4 children. We have set the payments on ParentPay in advance to give you the time and flexibility to pay in installments to make this easier. Further details of the residential trips will follow.

If you have any questions or are experiencing any problems please do not hesitate to let school know in case we can be of any help or assistance.

- Year 2 Barnstondale trip Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March- 1 night overnight stay
- Year 4 Burwardsley trip Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 22nd May- 1 night overnight stay day dependent on registration group.

#### We are recruiting!

Playzone Before and After School Club are seeking a happy, enthusiastic play worker to join their team! Our numbers have increased since opening our doors to 'Little Acorns' In September. The position is part time/ term time only, consisting of morning and afternoon sessions so flexibility is essential and online training is available. If your own child/children are over 4 years old, they are also able to join you and enjoy the company!

For further information, please contact Louise Somers or Cath Ravenscroft at Playzone via email <u>playzonectk@gmail.com</u>. We look forward to meeting you!

# Whole School Pantomime at the Floral Pavilion New Brighton



This year the whole school will be going to the Floral Pavilion, New Brighton to see this years' fabulous pantomime 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. The trip will take place on  $19^{th}$  December during the school day and the cost of the ticket and coach to the venue will be £17.50.

Payments are made via ParentPay and should be completed by 1<sup>st</sup> December.

#### **News from the PFA**

Christmas is upon us and the PFA Elves are working hard to bring some exciting events to school. Letters will be in bags this week for Elfridges & Co where pupils can purchase gifts for adult loved ones. To support this, if anyone has any spare wrapping paper it would be gratefully received and any donations can be handed into the school office by Friday 1st December please. All Elfridge letters need to be returned with payment by Monday 4th December to allow the elves to ensure all participants will have several lovely options to choose from.

Our Colouring Competition will launch Friday December 1<sup>st</sup> with prizes for each year group and Grand Prizes for overall winners in KS1 and KS2. Competition sheets will be in bags and available as an attachment to the newsletter and on the PFA facebook page. Finally, our Christmas fair will be held after school Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Donations of unwanted gifts for the tombola and Teddies for the Teddy Tombola can be left under the covered walkway from Monday

11<sup>th</sup> December. No toy or book donations are required for this event. Our famous bottle stall will be making an appearance at the fair 15<sup>th</sup> and to support this we will be holding a christmassy event to support this. Thank you for your continued support of our charity to help provide the extras our children deserve.

# **Dates for your Diary**

Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Family Mass
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Author Visit FS1,FS2 and KS1
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	F\$1 Christmas production 9:15-10:15
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	FS2 Christmas production 9:15-10:15
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Choir Christmas Concert - Church at 3:30pm- 4:15pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 Christmas production 9:15-10:15
Monday 11th December	Year 3/4 Christmas production 2:15-3:15
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 2 Christmas production 9:15-10:15
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5/6 Christmas production 2:15- 3:15
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner Day
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	**Whole School trip 'Jack and the Beanstalk'
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas at 1:30pm
Thursday 21st December	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	School reopens
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<sup>\*\*</sup> Payments to be completed on ParentPay by 1st December