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

# 12th January 2024

## **Message from Mrs Procter**



Happy New Year to all of our families, I hope that you all have had a lovely break despite the very wet weather that endured! It was lovely to see all of the children on Monday morning running into school, I did see quite a few parents skipping down the path too.

We are all back into the routinue now and are ready for the term ahead. This week I have booked next years pantomime and booked in Christmas dinner day - there is nothing like planning ahead.

This term our Y3 children will be starting their Sacremtal journey so I ask that you keep them all in your prayers.

#### Residential trips 2024

This week I have had a few parents enquirying if children can attend the residential but not stay over, unfortunately this is not an option. Any children that do not wish to attend the residential can remain in school as we will have a member of staff to take them whilst their class is away. We try to encourage all children to come away as it is a fantastic experience and one that they remember for many years to come, however I do appreciate that not all children like staying away from home.

Can I remind all parents that deposits are non refundable as once we have confirmed numbers with the centre we have to pay for the place even if the child drops out. We will be confirming number for Y2 Barnstondale on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> of February and Y4 Burwardsley on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March so deposits will not be refunded from these date.

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.

#### **Weekly Reflection**

#### Ethos Statement – I know we are happiest when we are united.

It isn't easy to always live peacefully with one another but we know that we are happiest when we all get along well and we feel united. After Jesus died, many people joined the community of the friends of Jesus. They lived every day as they were taught. They lived like members of one big family. They ate together, sharing bread and wine as Jesus had done at the last supper. They prayed together often. Everyone who saw them was amazed at how happy there were. We are encouraged by this and try to get along with others at home and at school. If everyone tries their best to co-operate and work together we can be much more successful.



The following children have shown they understand how we are happiest when we are united:

FJH	Isabella McCrary	1DH	1DH Maggie Keane 2HK Aubree Bailey-		Aubree Bailey-Root
FJH	Chester McNally	1DH	Florence Martin	2HK	Joseph Kelly
FBG	Jack Thomas	1SH	George Rawson- Williams	2HW	Mia Rigg
FBG	Giovanna Ricci Ithel	1SH	Iris McCulloch	2HW	Oscar Byrne

3EJ	Bernardo Amaral	4DJ	David Nye	5AY	Penelope Whittaker
3EJ	Joseph O'Donnell	4DJ	Niall Oakley	5AY	Leo Wu
3KH	Luca Caballero	4RL	River-Elijah Roberts	5MJ	William Turner
3KH	Oliver Speirs	4RL	Sophie Lynch	5MJ	Alexander Lockwood

6HS	Georgina O'Neill
6HS	Harry Willingham
6RM	Christopher Rigg
6RM	Daisy Downey

#### **Team Points**

KS1 John	KS2	Luke	Overall	Luke	
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#### **Numberday**

On Tuesday 13th February, we will be holding Numberday - a day when we celebrate maths. Children are invited to wear an outfit that celebrates numbers/maths e.g. a football shirt with a number on, birthday badge, a top with a date or year on it. If they would like to design their own number-related top then that is great too!

#### FS2 Trip to Imagine That!

We will be going to an interactive museum on Wednesday 20th March 2024. The trip will include a minimum of three science workshops. The trip will provide lots of hands on opportunities for us to explore and learn about science. They have introduced some exciting new workshops including 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 £18.50 which must be paid via ParentPay before 13th 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.

# Year 3 Stone Age Workshop

On Friday 26th January all children in Year 3 will be taking part in a Stone Age workshop here in school. We will be travelling back in time to a cold and frosty wilderness 2.5million years ago. We have booked a company to come in on this day and the cost will be £8.50p per child.

\*Payment for our Stone Age workshop should be paid in full by Tuesday 16th January

## **Year 3 Reminders**

**3EJ** will be **swimming** next week – **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January**. Children must bring their swimming kit and a towel to school each day. All long hair must be tied back and any girls wearing tights may wish to bring a spare pair of socks to put on after we have been swimming.



Thank you to all those who attended the parent meeting at Church on Tuesday. We are still a few **forms outstanding** – can you please make sure they are returned as soon as possible please.

There will be a **Mass of Enrolment** for all those children who are starting their Sacramental Preparation on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January at 10am.** Please make every effort to attend. Readings will be given out next week to those selected.

# Year 4 trip to Royal Liverpool Philharmonic

On Friday 8th March, Year 4 will be taking a trip to the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Hall to watch a concert to celebrate the Olympics in Paris this coming summer. We have booked tickets for this day at 10:30am. We will be travelling there and back by coach and leaving school at 9:15am and returning in the middle of lunchtime. We ask that all children bring a packed lunch on this day; unless you are entitled to Free School Meals, where a sandwich option will be provided. We will eat once back at school.

The tickets cost £12.50 per child and this will now be live on ParentPay.

#### **Caritas Parent Nurturing Groups 2024**

Caritas parent nurturing groups will continue next Thursday in the Junior Hall 9-10am with Lisa. These sessions are open to everyone and anyone so please feel free to come along. They are aimed at giving you some practical tips for supporting your child at home when they may be upset and dysregulated. Not the change of date and venue. **Thursdays** at 9am in the junior hall, please enter via the school office.

#### Message from the Children's Commissioner for England

I hope everyone at Christ The King Catholic Primary School has enjoyed the much-needed Christmas break. I just wanted to offer my thanks again for your support with my national campaign 'The Big Ambition' which will be **closing on Friday 19th January.**I have been overwhelmed by the response the survey has received so far. More than 300,000 children, young people, parents and carers have participated, making it one of the largest surveys of its kind, but I want to give even more people the chance to have their say. This is the final push before the survey closes so please do share it as widely as possible to help make sure that every child in England has an opportunity to share their views with policy makers ahead of the General Election.

By sharing my survey with your pupils and parents or carers, you can make sure that the children and young people of North West are fairly represented in the results.

Children and parents or carers can complete the survey

here: www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition

I am so very grateful for your support, and I am beyond excited to share the findings.

Dame Rachel De Souza

Children's Commissioner for England

## <u>Important-School Spider Update</u>

Please ensure that your School Spider app is updated and notifications are enabled. If you have not logged in for a while your username is your first name and last name in lower case. if you are unable to remember your password you can click 'forgotten password' to reset.

It is important that your School Spider app is fully working as going forward we will be sending internal school consent forms this way. We are hoping that this system will make things a little easier as your responses are instant and more importantly you will not need a printer. The majority of our school communication is via School Spider so please ensure this is up to date to ensure you are not missing out on valuable information regarding your child/children.

# 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!

#### Dates for your Diary

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Swimming Week commences 3EJ
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Caritas Parent Nurturing Group 9am - Junior Hall
Thorsady 16 January 2024	Callias Falerii Nortolling Groop Fairt - Johlor Hall
Friday 26th January	Year 3 Stone Age Day
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Numbersday
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	School Closes for Half Term
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	School- reopens
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	FS2 Trip to Imagine That
Manday Ofth March	Voor 2 Posidontial Trip
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Residential Trip