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

2nd February 2024

Message from Mrs Procter



Well what an exciting week we have had here at Christ the King, after twelve months of waiting for the call, it finally came. OFSTED visited us for two days, we had one HMI inspector -only the best for CTK!

The inspection was vigorous no stone was left unturned, she looked at policies, procedures, training, lessons, planning, books, spoke to children, interviewed staff and leaders and collected parents views. By the end of the two days there was not one aspect of CTK that she did not know. The final report will be out in a few weeks and I cannot wait to share it with you all.

I would like to thank you as parents for taking the time to complete the survey that was sent out, 96% of you strongly agreed that your child was happy and safe in school and that you would recommend our to school to other parents- so we must be doing something right!! The children were an absolute credit to us and as a staff we could not be prouder.

Weekly Reflection

The feast of the Presentation of the Lord takes place 40 days after Christmas on February 2nd. According to Jewish law, if the firstborn child was a male, the infant would be given, or consecrated, to God. The parents would also make a sacrificial offering of either a lamb or two turtledoves. As Joseph and Mary were both Jews, they held to the tradition of their faith and did everything according to God's Law. This included them going to the Temple to present Jesus. While Joseph and Mary were waiting in line to present Jesus, a very holy old man named Simeon approached them. Simeon had been promised, by the Holy Spirit, that he would not die until he saw the face of the Messiah. Having seen the baby Jesus, Simeon prayed out loud. Simeon was filled with great joy at meeting the Redeemer. But Simeon also had an important message for Mary that not only will Jesus suffer but she will suffer along with him. Mary is forever linked to Jesus and will experience great sorrow whenever he suffers.



Mary wants nothing more than for each of us to come to know and love her son, Jesus. Mary did not understand what her exact role in God's plan would be, but she chose to say yes to God and to put aside everything else.

As we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, we are called to put aside worldly things and personal desires. We can do this by asking Mary to pray for us, that we might come to know, love and serve Jesus as she did.

Ethos Statement – I co-operate with others in work and play.

The following children have shown they can co-operate with others this week:

FJH	Harry Brown	1DH	Jacob Limb	2HK	Eva Lockwood
FJH	Ruby Rimmer	1DH	Charlotte Jones	2HK	Joseph Kelly
FBG	Holly Sawley	1SH	Amber Evans	2HW	Seb Whittaker
FBG	Harry Stocker	1SH	Lydia Maitland	2HW	Ivy Howard

3EJ	Whole Class!	4DJ	Hannah Pannell	5AY	Molly McGuinness
3EJ		4DJ	Sophia Macdougall	5AY	Darcy Williams
3KH	Whole Class!	4RL	Pearl Frost	5MJ	Harry Roberts
3KH		4RL	Ethan Howes	5MJ	Izabela Kisiel

6HS	Oliver Sherry
6HS	Freddie Thomas

Team Points

KS1	Mark	KS2	Luke	Overall	Luke
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Year 3 Mass for Prayer Sponsors

On Thursday 8th February, Year 3 will be attending a Mass for their prayer sponsors from the parish at 9:30 in church. Parents and Grandparents are most welcome to join us if they can.

Year 3 Reconciliation

Don't forget that our first session for reconciliation preparation will be on Tuesday 27th February 5pm – 6pm in school. Please come to the main entrance.

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Wednesday 13th March 5pm – 6pm in church.

School Council-RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch

Every year the RSPB ask the public to take part in the [RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch](#). We thought it would be a lovely activity for the children to do on a lazy weekend. And during the week at playtimes. All that you have to do is spend a little bit of time having a look in your garden and note the birds that you see. You don't have to be a keen ornithologist to take part.



The RSPB have bird guides that you can access via their site if you are not sure of the type of bird. Just mark down what you see and how many within a 30 minute time frame. The school council would like you to click on the link above and carry out the watch any time from 27th January until 4th February, and send in your results for where you live. we will give the children the opportunity to do the same at school during their break times.

Again, thank you so much for your support.

Wirral Festival of Music

The choir will be defending their title on Saturday 16th March. Details will be sent nearer to the date. Please if your child has left choir and has been given a choir shirt, can you return it to school ASAP. Thank you.

Numberday

On Wednesday 20th March, 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 1 visit to Hayrack Church Farm

As part of our spring Science topic and instructions in English next term, Year 1 will be visiting Hayrack Church Farm on Friday 19th April. Children will get an interactive session for a hands on experience to meet spring baby animals, entry to an indoor soft play room, adventure playgrounds, bag of food to feed an animal of choice, make a bird feeder and paint a ceramic pot. Lunch will be provided by school. The cost of the trip, including coach will be £16 and paid via ParentPay.

Year 3 Stone Age Workshop

Last week, our Year 3 children had a great day learning all about the Stone Age. They learnt so many facts about the time that there is probably nothing they couldn't tell you! Everyone behaved so well and listened fantastically. We were very proud of them. Our visitor commented on how exceptional they were. Well done!



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. Note the change of date and venue. **Thursdays** at 9am in the junior hall, please enter via the school office.

UNICEF

Our UNICEF children have had a lovely idea to help those less fortunate than ourselves. 'BRING A TIN' will run between now and the end of this half term. We are asking each child to bring in a tin of food soup, beans, fruit or vegetables which will be donated to the Wirral Foodbank.



Please do not send in any money; just a tin from your cupboard will be perfect. Tins should be given to your child's teacher who will then pass them on to me. Thank you in advance for your support.

Mrs. Kane

News from the PFA- Official Notice of AGM

We will be holding our AGM Thursday 15th February 2024 at 6:30pm in the Church hall. Details of the meeting and nomination forms for committee roles are attached to this newsletter. We hope to give an insight into the specifics of each role over the next few weeks. If you are interested in a formal or informal role. All the current committee members will be more than happy to chat with you about what each role entails. It would be wonderful to see some new faces and some old ones too.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 6 th February	Safer Internet Day
Thursday 8 th February	Caritas Parent Nurture Group 9am- Junior Hall
Thursday 15 th February	PFA AGM 6:30pm- Church Hall
Friday 16 th February	School Closes for Half Term
Monday 26 th February	School- reopens
Tuesday 27 th February	First session Reconciliation Preparation- 5pm in school
Friday 8 th March	Year 4 trip to Royal Liverpool Philharmonic
Wednesday 13 th March	Sacrament of Reconciliation- 5pm in Church
Saturday 16 th March	Wirral Festival of Music
Wednesday 20 th March	FS2 Trip to Imagine That
Wednesday 20 th March	Numbers Day

Monday 25 th March	Year 2 Residential Trip
Friday 19 th April	Year1 visit to Hayrack Church Farm