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

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Message from Mrs Procter



What a lovely day that we have had today, it was rather emotional seeing our whole school family standing together on the yard holding their sunflowers thinking of families in Ukraine. This week has been a tough week in school as we have had nine members of staff off but as usual everyone has pulled together to ensure that school remained open and the children's needs have been met- we really do have a fabulous team at CTK.

Next week we will be going on our first residential in two years and we are all very excited- according to the weather forecast we might even see some sunshine so I am keeping everything crossed. The children are looking forward to the campfire and sleeping in a bedroom with all of their friends- memories will be made that will last forever.

Our Year 3 children have started their journey on their sacrament program so I ask that you all keep them in your prayers over the coming weeks as they make their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, it is the next step in their Faith journey.

Weekly Reflection

Quite often, when we have important and significant events and times in our lives, we call them a mountain top experience because the view from the top of a mountain or hill can be outstanding and wonderful. Just like climbing to the top of that mountain takes preparation, determination and effort to get there so too do those important things in our lives.



In the story of the Transfiguration we learn how Jesus' closest disciples had given up so much when they agreed to follow Jesus and were now spending some time away with Jesus to prepare. The disciples were not sure what they were preparing for but they prayed with Jesus up a mountaintop. Here they felt like they were close to God and something very special happened whilst they were there. They saw Jesus bathed in glory with two great prophets either side and heard God's voice. This could be called the ultimate mountaintop experience.

We do not have to go up a mountain top to experience God in our lives but sometimes we feel very close to Him. When we encounter Him we are blessed and everything feels like it has fallen into place. Jesus has placed his dazzling light into each one of our hearts and we need to shine Jesus' light into the lives of those around us.

Ethos Statement – I know that it is okay for me to make mistakes.

The following children have shown they know that it is okay for them to make mistakes this week:

FJH – Clancy Mooney
FJH – Jay Evans

1DK – William Morley-Mason
1DK – Daisy Shaw

2RL – To the whole class for
2RL – trying hard in tests this week

FCB – Macie Roberts
FCB – Toby Barnes

1SH – Delilah Frost
1SH – Ben Jones

2HW – Verity Bull
2HW – Joseph Long

3EJ – William Turner
3EJ – Benjamin Platten

4LS – Billy Mohammed
4LS – Georgie O'Neill

5AY – Tasmin Greve
5AY – Jack Herbert

3DJ – Lilah Arthur

4HK – Daisy Downey

5RM – Seb Webster

3DJ – Benjamin Ashton-Martin

4HK – Olivia Connolly-Brown

5RM – Sophia-Mae Byrne

6KH – Grace Marriott

6KH – Riya Gurnell

6GA – Lewis Marshall

6GA – Sumari Nag

House Points

Last week's winners:

Key Stage 1 = Matthew

Key Stage 2 = Mark

Overall = Mark

Blue Day UNICEF / Mass for Ukraine

Today we have had a really special day in school. We came to school in blue for our UNICEF day. Our Rights Respecting Committee have been very busy talking about things we can do as a school to support UNICEF. This afternoon we formed a human chain around our playground holding our sunflowers (the national emblem of the Ukraine) to stand up for justice and truth and our belief that we should love thy neighbour. We came together to pray for peace. We did this as a show of faith and support. We wanted to show the people of Ukraine that we are thinking of them, that we are standing with them and that we are praying for the people involved in this conflict.

CAFOD

This week the children have been walking against hunger to help fundraise for CAFOD as part of our Lenten almsgiving. Here is what money raised could buy:



£12 can buy ingredients to make a highly nutritious sesame seed paste so a new mum can help her malnourished child grow big and strong

£20 can fund expert nutrition and healthcare classes for new mums and dads in rural communities

£200 can feed ten malnourished children sesame paste for a week, helping them grow big and strong

£500 can provide an entire community with pepper seeds for planting season

£600 can help local experts deliver a highly effective door-to-door campaign in rural communities, training people in proper sanitation, hygiene and nutrition

Sacramental Preparation 2022

Thank you to everyone who attended our Enrolment Mass at the weekend, it was so lovely to see the church full of families. Please do continue to bring your children to Mass each week as they prepare to make two very special Sacraments over the weeks ahead.

Don't forget that our **first session** will be on **Wednesday 23rd March 5pm – 6pm** in **school** (**note change of venue**). Please come to the main entrance.

We will be having a **Mass for prayer sponsors** on **Thursday 24th March at 9:15** in **church**. You are welcome to attend if you can.

Sponsored Read

The sponsored read has now finished. Please could you collect your sponsor money over the weekend and bring it into school in an envelope with your sponsor form **on Monday**. The money will be counted and used to purchase new books for our school.

Communion Ties

Unfortunately, we are no longer able to purchase the red Communion ties. Here is the link if you would like to order your own for your child. They are also available from other places and are roughly about £4.75.

<https://www.parkersonlinestore.com/first-holy-communion-tie-dated-2022--undated--00071-37479-p.asp>



PFA Update



MEETING NOTICE!

We are having our first meeting in ... ages, this coming Monday 21st March at 7:15 PM in the Church Hall, we would love to see you there, faces old and new.

If you have joined the school just before or since the outbreak of coronavirus, you have probably missed out on lots of opportunities to meet fellow school parents and carers. During the meeting we will look at future plans and fundraising opportunities. All the fundraising we do goes back to school to enrich and enhance the lives of all our children. Please like our facebook page to see event reminders and communication from other parents, just search for Christ the King PFA.

A final note and thank you from all of us on PFA Committee to Julie Cavanagh as she leaves her role in our school office. We will miss you greatly and thanks for all the help and support you have given us.

SENCo Drop In Sessions



To all parents and carers, on Thursday 24th March from 9am until 10.30am, I will be available for a SENCo drop in session. You do not need an appointment just turn up and wait to be seen. I will be available to talk to you about any concerns you may have regarding your child in school. If you have any further questions please drop me an email. jjones@christtheking.wirral.sch.uk I will do my very best to help and support both you and your child.

Our Amazon Wishlist

We would like to continue growing our book collections in the new library and in classrooms. If you would like to click on our Amazon wishlist link below and purchase a book to donate to school we would be very grateful.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3QL2CNKMTS7GT?ref=wl_share



FS2 Stay and Play

We are inviting you to join your child for a stay and play session on either Tuesday 29th of March or Wednesday 30th March at 2pm. You may attend either session, but we ask that you only attend one of the sessions. Any one family member per child is welcome.

As we will be limited on space, please let us know on Seesaw which day you or your family member can join us. The Stay and Play session will begin with a 20 minute meeting to give you information on how we teach maths in Foundation Stage 2 and then the rest of the time will be for you to enjoy the FS2 environment with your child.

Year 1 Trip to Greenacres Farm

On Thursday 31st March year 1 will be going on a school trip to Greenacres Farm. Children may wear their own clothes – wellies recommended – but must wear a school jumper or cardigan. Please also ensure that they have a waterproof coat. Each child will be provided with a packed lunch from the kitchen. Payment for the trip of £15 must be paid via ParentPay by Monday 28th March. Year1 Team.

Year 3 Ancient Egypt Day

To celebrate the end of our work on Ancient Egypt, Year 3 would like to end this topic with a celebration and so are holding an Egyptian Day on **Monday 4th April**. Children are invited to dress up for this day but please don't feel that you have to spend lots on costumes. We are sure that you have things in your homes that you could use. You could even attach bandages to a white T-shirt for a mummy, a tunic with sandals or make an Egyptian headdress.



Year 5 Liverpool Museum Trip

On **Thursday 7th April** both year five classes are going on a science based trip to Liverpool Museum. We will be exploring the museum and taking part in the workshop 'Discovering life in a rockpool'. This is to support our learning of Living Things and their habitats science topic. This trip will be all day and we will be travelling by train from Bromborough Station to Liverpool. We will return by train and be back at school for end of the school day. All children will need to wear full school uniform, have a waterproof coat and a packed lunch with them.

Please make payment via ParentPay.

We are looking forward to another exciting trip to develop our science knowledge.

If you have any questions please contact your class teacher. Miss Yates and Mr MacKenzie.

Year 6 SATS Meeting

Parents of Y6 children are invited to a brief informational meeting about SATs in the junior hall at 9:00 am on Friday 25th March. You may enter through the church gate at morning drop off. The meeting should only last about 15 minutes.

Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 22 nd March	Y2 Residential Trip to Chirk Castle & Barnstondale
Wednesday 23 rd March	Sacramental Preparation Session, 5pm in School
Thursday 24 th March	Mass for Prayer Sponsors, 9.15am in Church
Friday 25 th March	Y6 SATS Meeting, 9am Junior Hall
Saturday 26 th March	Wirral Festival of Music, Speech and Drama – Choir Only
Monday 28 th March	Sacrament of Reconciliation, 5pm
Tuesday 29 th March	FS2 Stay and Play, 2pm
Wednesday 30 th March	FS2 Stay and Play, 2pm
Thursday 31 st March	Year 1 Trip to Greenacres Farm
Friday 1 st April	Class Photographs, Y6 Individual and Yearbook Photographs
Monday 4 th April	Y3 Egyptian Day
Thursday 7 th April	Y5 Trip to the Liverpool Museum
Friday 8 th April	School Closes for Spring Break, 1.30pm
Monday 25 th April	School Re-Opens
Tuesday 26 th April	Sacramental Preparation Session, 5pm
Sunday 7 th May	First Holy Communion Masses, 3DJ 10am, 3EJ 12.30pm