



Christ the King Catholic Primary

“Loving, learning, growing together as Christ’s family”



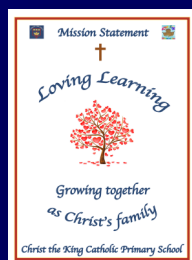
October is the month of the Holy Rosary. This is a period dedicated to praying the Rosary and reflecting on the lives of Jesus and Mary.

Each class took part in the walking Rosary.



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Appeal for Harvest Donations

**We will be having our Harvest Mass on the 15th October 2025
with donations going to Readifood Food Bank.**

**We would like to ask for donations of non perishable food
items please, such as**

Tinned fruit
Tinned vegetables
Tinned ready meals
Tinned chickpeas
Tinned meat
Long life milk
Weetabix
Porridge sachet
Pouches of rice
Tins/cartons custard
Mug shots
Pot Noodles
Vegetable instant noodles
Cuppa soups
Toilet rolls
Bars of soap

**Donations can be brought into class from
Monday 6th October
Thank you**



Christ the King Catholic Primary School

OPEN DAY VISIT

Reception Starters

September 2026

Tuesday 4th November at

9:30am

Please telephone the school on

0118 901 5434 or email

admin@christtheking.reading.sch.uk

to book your place.

Entry will be via our Durham Close

Entrance, RG2 8NS



Church News



Join us as we celebrate Angela Camilleri for her many years of faithful service in our Parish and her loving nurture of our children. Many parents and children will know Angela from our school as she worked in our Nursery and Reception classes for 20+ years.

Angela will be moving to Malta to be near family.

A send-off gathering will be held in the Parish Hall on Sunday, October 19th, after the 10:00 am Mass.

Refreshments will be provided. Contribution envelopes are available at the Church Entrance.

Please bring finger foods to share. Let us come together to show our gratitude and bid a heartfelt farewell.

Parent/Carer Information

Important Safeguarding Notice: Children's "Spy" Books

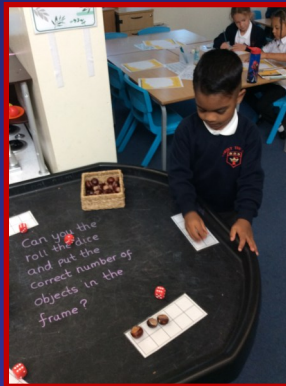
We want to make you aware of a recent issue affecting some popular children's books by Andrew Cope, including the *Spy Dogs*, *Spy Cats*, and *Spy Pups* series.

Some editions of these books include a printed web address at the back. This link used to go to the author's website, but the domain is no longer under his control. It has since been taken over by another party and now leads to inappropriate adult content. The publisher, Puffin, has paused sales and distribution of the books and is working with schools, libraries, and retailers to remove copies from circulation. They have stressed that the website has no connection to the author or publisher.

What this means for you:

- If your child has any *Spy Dog*, *Spy Cat* or *Spy Pups* books at home, please check the back for website links and make sure they do not try to visit the site.
- It is safe for children to continue reading the stories themselves — the concern is only with the outdated link.
- We recommend talking with your child about the importance of not following web addresses in books without checking with an adult first.

This week Year 1/2 have been doing mini assessments. They have been completing mini Maths activities, practicing ordering numbers, 1 more and 1 less.



Wear it Pink - Non Uniform Day

October 23rd will be a non uniform day . Children and Staff are invited to wear pink for a £1 donation which will go to a Cancer Research Charity.



We are incredibly grateful to Crown Décor Centre for their generous donation of over 40 tins of paint to our school. Your support will help us brighten our learning spaces and inspire creativity throughout the school. Thank you for investing in our students and helping us build a more vibrant environment for all!

We are kindly asking for donations for Lego. If you have any Lego that includes all pieces and instructions that you are happy to donate, please would you drop them off to the school office.

Thank you

Afterschool Clubs

Lego, Chess, Word Games and Maths Games afterschool clubs will be cancelled next week due to Parent Consultations.

Gospel, *Luke 17:11-19*

Now it happened that on the way to Jerusalem he was travelling in the borderlands of Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten men suffering from a virulent skin-disease came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.'

When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself prostrate at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan.

This led Jesus to say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

School Building Fund

Christ The King is a Voluntary Aided School. This means that our funding is slightly different from most other schools locally. In particular, it means that unlike our neighbouring schools we have to pay a set percentage of the cost of any major purchases or building work.

The money our parents donate enable us to buy new furniture and equipment for our children.

To enable us to do this, we ask for a contribution of £10 per child, per term (based on three terms a year) The money we receive is allocated solely for our school's use and helps us to fund future projects which would otherwise not be possible.

The £10 contribution is paid via School Money and this term's contribution is now available for payment.

**Congratulations to the following pupils who were elected for
the following**

House Captains

St Romero House - Alex & Romel

St Therese House - Vanessa & Stephanie

St James House - Shay & Ellarose

St Bakhita House - Natalia & Georgie

Mini Vinnies

**Natalia, Giselle, Chelsea, Nikola, Valeska, Melody, Ezra, Rasheed, Michelle-Lilly,
Darcey , Alice**

Climate Change

Ewa, Amelia, Diego, Nethan

School Council

Year 1 - Aleks & Ivy Rose

Year 1/2 - Maria

Year 2 –Kooper & Tristan

Year 3 - Harper & David

Year 3/4 - Leo

Year 4 - Logan

Year 5 - Tenzing

Year 5/6 - Genelia

Year 6 - Wiktorja

Term dates 2025

2nd October 2025 - School Census day

3rd October 2025 - National Poetry Day

8th October 2025 - Rosary Day

13th October 2025 - Parents evening 3.40pm to 5.10pm

15th October 2025 - Parents evening 4pm to 7pm

15th October 2025 - 9.30am Harvest Mass for Whole School

15th October 2025 - Nursery Parent Meeting 1pm to 4pm 10 minute appointments

21st October 2025 - African Drumming Workshop

23rd October 2025 - Wear it Pink - £1 for Charity

24th October 2025 - Inset Day - School Closed

27th October 2025 - Half Term - School Closed

3-7 November 2025 - Yr 5&6 Bikeability

4th November 2025 - Open Day 9.30-10.30 New starters for 2026

11th November 2025 - Remembrance Day

11th December 2025 - Nursery Performance 10am

11th December 2025 - Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Lunch

12th December 2025 - Reception Nativity 9.15am and 2.30pm

16th December 2025 - KS1/Ducklings Nativity 9.15am and 2.30pm

17th December 2025 - Year3/4 Carol Concert at 9.15am and 2.30pm

19th December 2025 - End of Term, School Closes at 1.30

Maths Ninjas!

To earn the title Maths Ninja you must develop your powers of concentration and practise your skills to master calculation and dominate numbers so that you face Maths with no trace of fear.

With skill and patience you may earn these ranks:

Shodan (red) 11 out of 15 in 1 minute.

Nidan (white) 22 out of 25 in 1 minute.

Sandan (yellow) 33 out of 35 in 1 minute.

Yondan (orange) 44 out of 45 in 1 m 30 sec.

Godan (Green) 55 out of 55 in 1 m 30 sec.

Rokudan (Blue) 66 out of 70 in 1 m 30 sec.

Shichidan (Brown) 77 out of 80 in 2 minutes.

Hachidan (Black) 88 out of 90 in 2 minutes.

Kudan (Purple) 99 out of 100 in 2 minutes

Congratulations to

Shodan: Peyton, Gracie

Nidan: Bryson, Damarai, Sahan, Diego, Nethan

Sandan: Emma, Logan, Tenzing, Rion, Lyla, Darcey

Yondan: Gabriel G, Gabriel N, Romel, Rayaana, Georgie

Godan: Alice

Reading Points

50 points - Emilia

Stars of the Week

Miss Scott: Aleks & Abigail

Mrs Allwood & Miss Parsons: Caleb

Miss Lockwood: Josie & Sofia

Miss Kassam & Mrs Asif: Olivia & Lucas

Mrs Gooch: Bryson & Tyjah

Miss Thompson: Milosha & Ryan

Mrs Casey: Alice & Issa

Mrs Powell & Mrs Asif: Lucas, Zach, Isaac

Mrs Bloom: Alex & Isabella

Miss Nyilas: Seth

Mrs Machado: Nelly

Birthdays

We are happy to celebrate birthdays with our children with sweets to be handed out at the end of the day. However, we cannot have parties during the school day. Please keep your cakes, party bags and presents to celebrate at home.



Dear Parent or Guardian,

Avanti Cycling is working on behalf of Reading Borough Council to deliver Bikeability training. Your Year 5 & Year 6 child is eligible for free Bikeability Level 1/2 training at **Christ The King Catholic Primary School** over two days, commencing on or after **3rd November 2025**.

If your child would like to participate, please register them on to the course by 15th October 2025, using the URL or QR code below. The school will then be in touch to confirm your child's place on the course once registration has closed. URL: <https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/rural-sweet-atlas>



'Bikeability is important safety training, and cycling is a crucial life skill. We aim to provide excellent outside learning, which develops participants independence and decision making, in a fun and enjoyable way.'

If you would like more information regarding the Bikeability courses, please click on the following links to The Bikeability Trust's website: [Level 1](#): cycle control skills and group riding skills in the playground.

[Level 2](#): road riding skills on local roads where available, being aware of hazards and making decisions. It is compulsory to have completed Level 1.

If you need to **hire a bike** for the course there is a fee of £10 per bike, per child. **Helmets** are required and are provided for free if needed. Please select that your child needs to hire a bike and/or helmet when completing the application form and this payment (in cash to the school office) is required prior to the start of the course. Bike hire is, however, free for eligible pupils. (Please contact the school office to enquire about eligibility if you feel that this is appropriate.)

In order to participate in the Level 1/2 course your child needs to be able to ride his/her bike independently, and without stabilisers / training wheels. For children who are not yet able to ride, we can provide a free **Learn to Ride** training session to teach them to pedal and steer their cycle in advance of the Bikeability course. This is a 90 to 120 minute session in the playground. Should you wish your child to join the Learn to Ride course please enrol them on the Level 1/2 course above but ensure that you select **my child cannot yet cycle** when given the option to do so. The Learn to Ride course will take place approximately two weeks prior to the Level 1/2 Bikeability course to enable your child to continue practising and gaining in confidence before hopefully joining in with the main Bikeability course at their school, if they have developed into a strong enough cyclist by this time. Bikes/helmets can be provided free of charge for the Learn to Ride course if your child doesn't have their own.

If you have any queries regarding the Bikeability training at your child's school, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

Vera Murray, Operations Manager vera@avanticycling.co.uk

At Avanti Cycling we are currently seeking new instructors. Being a Bikeability instructor is fun, rewarding and offers flexible working patterns. We will train you to achieve the recognised national qualification. For more information email: recruitment@avanticycling.co.uk



500 WORDS



Fun, creative story writing competition
opens Tues 23 Sept – Fri 7 Nov 2025

No need to worry about spelling,
punctuation or grammar!

You could have
your story read out
on TV by a celebrity!



Write a
STORY
you would
love to read



Ages
5 – 11



Find out more and enter at
bbc.co.uk/500words

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The Whitley Wood Rainbows group are looking for new girls to join. For ages 4 to 7 years old, they'll be getting creative with crafts, learning through games and stories, exploring indoors and out, and so much more. To find out more, please contact Liz Cox on 07739 658044.

A promotional poster for Rainbows Girlguiding. The top half features a light blue background with the 'Rainbows' logo in red and a rainbow. Below it, text describes the group's activities and age range. To the right, a photo of smiling girls in Rainbows uniforms is shown. The bottom half features a photo of two girls working on a craft project, with a quote from a parent and a description of the group's inclusive environment. The bottom right corner has a colorful paint splatter graphic.

Rainbows

**Girls play,
learn and have
tons of fun**
for ages 4 to 7


Girlguiding

*'Because of Rainbows
she's more confident,
speaks about her
feelings and can
express herself clearly'*
Rainbow parent

At Rainbows, we welcome
all girls to play, learn and
have fun in a creative,
safe space. She'll choose
her way through our
programme of activities
for all abilities.

From getting creative with crafts,
learning through games and stories,
exploring indoors and out, even going
on her first sleepover! It's a wonderful
world of adventure, week after week,
just for her.

**To find out more search Rainbows
at girlguiding.org.uk**

Medication

If your child has been prescribed medication by the Hospital or GP and it needs to be taken during school hours, please ensure it is given to the school office and not any other member of staff.

Please note antibiotics will only be administered if the dosage is 4 times a day, every 6 hours and NOT for 3 times a day which is every 8 hours.

The medication needs to be in its original packaging with a pharmacy label on.

You will also be required to complete a medication form which is available from the school office.

If your child has vomited even if it is only once or had diarrhoea then they must not return to school for 48 hours after the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea.

REMINDER Children should be wearing full school uniform, which should have your child's name on.

All children should bring a sun hat and water bottle into school.

Children should only bring in water and no other drink.

Please Note - Crocs are not suitable footwear for school.

The Uniform policy is on our website.

We like to encourage children to walk or ride to school, but please ensure your child is wearing a helmet.

Also please remind your children not to ride in school grounds and to walk their bike or scooter to the shed, or out of the gate.

School Dinners

The price of a school meal is £2.86 per day.

This is payable by either cash or cheque (payable to Caterlink) and should be paid daily or weekly in advance.

If your child is going to be late into school and would like to have a school dinner, please ensure you phone in to order a meal before 9.30 as meals are cooked to orders placed.

Thank you

Reminder - Gates close at 8.50am

The Ark gate and Exbourne Road gate will be closed and padlocked at 8.50am every morning. Anyone arriving later than 8.50am will need to enter through the Durham Close entrance and will be recorded as late.

The gate cannot be opened once locked.

Please ensure your children enter the school through the correct entrance. Any child entering through Durham Close MUST sign in at the office.

We would like to remind parents that once you have collected your children from the teacher after school, they are then in your care even if still on school grounds. Therefore, please ensure they do not play on the outdoor equipment or go up to classroom windows.

Healthy Snacks

We have noticed an increasing number of KS2 children bringing in a variety of unhealthy snacks for break time e.g. Chocolate, cookies, crisps. When the children start at CTK School in Nursery or Reception they eat healthy snacks that are fruit or vegetables. The Government scheme is to provide all Early Years and Key Stage One Children with a piece of fruit or veg until the end of year 2. We want to continue this healthy eating in KS2. Can we ask that you provide your child with a healthy snack for their mid morning break . Examples of healthy snacks are: fruit, vegetables, rice cakes and bread sticks.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs from 7:30 every morning.

The price is £4.50 per day,

Payment is made online through School Money.

Afterschool Club

Afterschool club is now provided by Funtastic Kids which is held at Geoffrey Field School.

The contact details for club are 01189799253,
bookings@funtastickids.co.uk.



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info@u-sports.co.uk 
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HOW TO BOOK:

- 1 CLICK THE 'BOOK NOW' BUTTON OR
TYPE IN THE LINK UNDERNEATH
- 2 SCROLL TO FIND THE RIGHT CLUB
- 3 ADD YOUR CHILD'S DETAILS
- 4 BOOK & PAY FOR YOUR CHILD'S
PLACE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

uSports are pleased to announce
that we will be delivering the
following clubs.

Gymnastics Club Yr 1-6 | 3.20pm - 4.20pm | Monday

£6.25 Per Session

15.09.25 - 08.12.25 | 12 x Sessions | £75.00

Multi Sports Club Yr 1-4 | 3.20pm - 4.20pm | Wednesday

£6.25 Per Session

17.09.25 - 10.12.25 | 12 x Sessions | £75.00

See You There,

uSports

BOOK NOW

[https://eastberkshire-
termtime.classforkids.io/term/792](https://eastberkshire-termtime.classforkids.io/term/792)

