



Christ the King Catholic Primary

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



Year 5 took part in a football tournament hosted by Leighton Park.

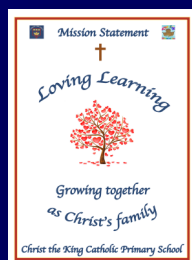
The team were supported by a sixth former who encouraged, motivated and organised the team to come second out of seven teams. CTK won 2 matches 3:0

Well done Christ the King!



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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.

On Thursday our whole school enjoyed taking part in an assembly led by Stephan from Bigfoot Arts Education to celebrate Black History Month, where he shared the story of Anansi. Encouraging staff and children to come up and join in.



Miss Scott's class enjoyed a wonderful walk around the school exploring God's creations. Along the way we collected special items from nature which we brought back to class and created beautiful collages to celebrate the world God has made.



As part of our history topic, KS1 were delighted to welcome Mr Bingham into school. He spoke to the children about what life was like in the past, sharing stories and answering lots of questions. The children really enjoyed learning from his experiences.



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**

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

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

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.

Gospel

Luke 17: 5-10

And the apostles said to the Lord: Increase our faith.

And the Lord said: If you had faith like to a grain of mustard seed, you might say to this mulberry tree, Be thou rooted up, and be thou transplanted into the sea: and it would obey you.

But which of you having a servant ploughing, or feeding cattle, will say to him, when he is come from the field: Immediately go, sit down to meat:

And will not rather say to him: Make ready my supper, and gird thyself, and serve me, whilst I eat and drink, and afterwards thou shalt eat and drink?

Doth he thank that servant, for doing the things which he commanded him?

I think not. So you also, when you shall have done all these things that are commanded you, say: We are unprofitable servants; we have done that which we ought to do.

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: Esmee

Nidan: Ethan, Wictor, Jaxon, Shanira, Samuel, Yousef

Sandan: Gabriel N, Issa, Natalia, Gabriel G, Valeska, Nikola, Oscar James, Georgie

Yondan: Alice, Zach

Stars of the Week

Miss Scott: Vinnie & Chinasa

Mrs Allwood & Miss Parsons: Millie

Miss Lockwood: Maria & Isla

Miss Kassam & Mrs Asif: Bella & Navaneeth

Mrs Gooch: Asterina & Carmelo

Miss Thompson: Michelle-Lilly & Aiden

Mrs Casey: Anayah & Kyra

Mrs Powell & Mrs Asif: Elliot & Wiktorina

Mrs Bloom: Ewa & Leon

Miss Nyilas: Ezekiel

Mrs Machado: Spencer

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.



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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

Please ensure your child brings in a water bottle every day.
Reminder, Lucozade and energy drinks are not allowed.

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.

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.

Spare Clothes

If your child has come home in the school's spare clothes, **please** would you wash them and return them to school. We are now running low on spare clothing especially in Key Stage 1. If you have any spare clothing that your child has outgrown and would like to donate it to school, please bring it into the school office.

Thank you

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.

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.

Nursery are looking for donations of balance bikes, scooters and ride on toys. If you have any that you would like to donate please would you bring them into the nursery staff or the office.

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.

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.



People who suffer from nut allergies can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction.

If someone has a nut allergy it is not just eating nuts that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts can trigger anaphylactic shock (which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties).

First aid staff in the school are trained to use the Epi-pens (an injection of adrenalin) which is required immediately if this happens.

We cannot have nuts in school in any form.

Please can we ask that you have no nut products in the lunch boxes or brought into the school as treats. Snacks containing Nutella or similar spreads are not allowed.

For example Peanut butter sandwiches, Chocolate spreads, Cereal bars, some granola bars, Cakes that contain nuts, Biscuits / Cookies that contain nuts, Satay Sauces, Nutella spread or snack containing Nutella, Boxes of variety chocolates.

This list is not exhaustive, so please check the packaging of products closely. We appreciate that this is an additional thing to check and we know that you recognise the importance of it. We do have to insist we are a nut free school.



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Year 7 Entry 2026

OPEN MORNING

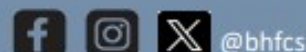
WEDNESDAY 8th OCTOBER 2025

Morning 9am—12pm
(10.00am Headmaster's Address)

'Outstanding School' – Section 48 Inspection



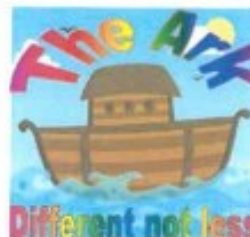
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Term Dates 2025-26

Autumn Term

3rd and 4th September 2025 - INSET Days - School Closed

5th September 2025 - Start of School Term

24th October 2025 - INSET Day - School Closed (Provisional)

27th October 2025 - 31st October 2025 - Half Term - School Closed

19th December 2025 - End of Term, School closes at 1:30

Spring Term

5th January 2026 - INSET Day - School Closed

6th January 2026 - Start of School Term

16th - 20th - February 2026 - Half Term - School Closed

27th March 2026 - End of Term, School closes at 1:30

Summer Term

13th April 2026 - Start of School Term

25th May - 29th May 2026 - Half Term School Closed

22nd July 2026 - End of Term, School closes at 1:30

1 further INSET date to be confirmed



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Autumn 2025 Christ the King Primary School

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,

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





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