



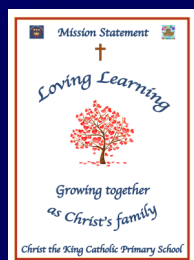
Christ the King Catholic Primary

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



Last week we hosted the WEC Rowing competition with GFJ school and Whitley Park. The children first competed as separate schools and then mixed together with great success.

It was a fantastic afternoon led by Reading School who mentored the children, focusing on never giving up and motivating our team members.



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24th November

The Feast of Christ the King, is on Sunday the 24th of November . It is a feast in the liturgical year which emphasizes the true kingship of Christ. As our school shares this special title 'Christ the King' we would like to invite all of our children to celebrate this feast day mass on Sunday the 24th of November. The children are invited to wear their crowns, which they will make at school, to this special mass and join in with the Christ the King procession, please may we ask children taking part in the procession to wear school uniform.

Gunge the Teacher

Tickets will be on sale in the KS2 playground afterschool each day. Tickets are 50p. When buying a ticket you choose who you would like to be gunged.

A ticket will be pulled out of a hat at the Christmas Fair, and the member of staff named on that ticket will be gunged.



Who will you choose?

Term dates 2024

17th November at 3pm - Memorial Service at the church

22nd November - Pantomime

24th November - Feast of Christ the King at the Church

29th November - Non Uniform Day - donations for Presents for Parents

6th December - Christmas Fair

9th December - Presents for Parents

11th December - Reception Nativity 9.30am and 2pm

12th December - Nursery Christmas Performance at 11am and 2.15pm

16th December - KS1 Nativity 2pm

17th December - KS1 Nativity at 9.30am

18th December - KS2 Nativity at 2pm and 6pm

20th December 2024 - School closes at 1.30pm

7th January 2025 - Start of School Term

What's On

Information on activities and clubs in our area are on the school website. Please click on School Community and then What's On.

Congratulations to our newly elected Mini Vinnies



Congratulations to Damari who signed his contract at Brentford FC yesterday. We wish you all the best in your footballing journey.



Rainbow Raffle

Raffle tickets for the Rainbow Raffle will be on sale in the KS2 playground daily afterschool until Thursday 4th December.

The cost is £1 a strip of tickets.

PTFA Events



29th November will be non uniform day for donations of gifts for our present for parents event on 9th December.

6th December - Christmas Fair



9th December will be the Presents for Parents - where children can purchase one gift which will be wrapped. Money will need to *come into the office before the 9th.*

More information to follow nearer the time of each event.

If you would like a stall at the Christmas Fair please call the school office on 9015434.

The cost is £20.

Tickets for Santa's Storybook are £5 per ticket and will be on sale from the school office up until Thursday 4th December.

Gospel

Mark 13:24-32

'But in those days, after that time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will not give its light, the stars will come falling out of the sky and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory.

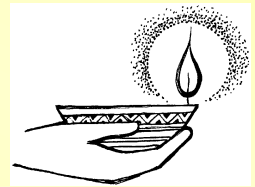
And then he will send the angels to gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of the sky. 'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near.

So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, right at the gates. In truth I tell you, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Sky and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.

A Memorial Service

Sunday 17th November at 3pm there is going to be a memorial service in Christ the King Church. It is an opportunity to remember a loved one, and if you wish you can light a candle in their memory. The service lasts for about 30 minutes with some hymns and readings. It is followed by free refreshments in the hall.



Reading Points

50 - Vanessa, Jesse, Carrick, Kian, Wiktor, Isaac, Wiktor, Issa, Lyla, Caleb

100 - Milosha, Alice, Nikola

Stars of the Week

Miss Scott: Misha & Leon

Miss Yan: David & Lilia

Miss Lockwood: Sebastian and Olivia

Miss Thompson: Diego & Jesse

Miss Pearce: Carl & Darcey

Mrs Gooch: Kassie & Shanira

Mrs Casey: Harper & Shay

Mrs Powell: Emmanuel & Myra

Mrs Bloom: Uzziel & Elizabeth

Miss Nyilas: Tudor

Miss Sutton: Ali

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.

Shodan: Emma, Steven, Vanessa

Nidan: Aidan, Gabriel, Jeremiah

Sandan: Harper, Fraser, Au'reia, Natalia, Sabrina, Zack, Nikola

Yondan: Nathan, Romel, Stephanie, Henry, Ewa, Melda

Godan: Leon, Beracha

**Rokudan: Emmanuel, Wiktor, Tenzing, Zach, Joel, Richardson, Joey,
Marli- Marie, Simon, Ismah**

Shichidan: Shay, Juliusz, Jemimah, Isaac, Marek, Jan

Hachidan: Lukasz, Alejandro, Perez, Kassie, Uzziel, Edna, Oskar

CATERLINK WOULD
LIKE TO INVITE YOU
TO A CAREERS FAIR

Thursday 21st November 2024
From 1pm till 3pm

This event will be held at
Costa Coffee, Sutton Business
Park, Earley, RG6 1AZ

Come along with your CV and
meet us.

If you require any further
information, please contact Sam
on 07554 431 722

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.

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.

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.

School Dinners

The price of a school meal has increased to £2.65 per day.

This is payable by either cash or cheque 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



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.



BFFC parent/carers workshops 2024-2025

BFFC's Educational Psychology Service and Primary Mental Health Team are offering the above workshops every half term (12 workshops in total). See the below details so that you can decide which is most appropriate for you and your child. You should look to attend only one of the courses.

Helping your child with fears and worries	Autism and anxiety
• Child is aged 5-12 years • Anxiety is the primary presenting concern in the child and the anxiety presents at home • The degree of anxiety is mild/moderate (not severe) – it is having an impact on the child's life - for example, the child is starting to avoid situations that lead to anxiety, such as social situations • The approaches in the workshop are designed to help with 'irrational' fears, for example specific phobias (dogs, school phobia etc), separation anxiety, generalised anxiety • It is not designed for children whose anxiety is due to trauma (e.g. domestic violence), PTSD, bereavement, sensory overload • Parent or child is not currently receiving any other kind of support for their anxiety (e.g. at CAMHS or the <u>Andy</u> clinic). • The programme is not targeted at children with a diagnosis of autism or those with autism traits • The programme is not suitable for children who are non-verbal.	• Child is aged 6 – 16 years • The child has been recognised as autistic, has autism 'traits' or is awaiting a diagnosis, and is experiencing anxiety • The degree of anxiety is mild/moderate (not severe) – it is having an impact on the child's life. For example, the child is starting to avoid situations that lead to anxiety, such as social situations • The approaches in the workshop are designed to help with intolerance of uncertainty and to developing coping strategies to better manage worries about the unknown • It is not designed for children whose anxiety is due to trauma (e.g. domestic violence), PTSD or bereavement • Parent or child is not currently receiving any other kind of support for their anxiety (e.g. at CAMHS or the <u>Andy</u> clinic). • The programme is not suitable for children who are non-verbal

Session dates planned for next academic year

All sessions are free of charge.

Helping your child with fears and worries

Weds 9 October 2024 - 9.30am – 12noon
Thurs 28 November 2024 - 9.30am – 12noon
Tues 28 January 2025 - 9.30am – 12noon
Weds 19 March 2025 - 9.30am – 12noon
Thurs 15 May 2025 - 9.30am – 12noon
Tues 24 June 2025 - 9.30am – 12noon

Support for children with autism and anxiety

Thurs 17 October 2024 - 9.30am – 12noon
Weds 4 December 2024 - 9.30am – 12noon
Thurs 6 February 2025 - 9.30am – 12noon
Tues 25 March 2025 9.30am – 12noon
Weds 7 May 2025 - 9.30am – 12noon
Thurs 3 July 2025 - 9.30am – 12noon

Sessions will be via Teams. We have capacity for around 4 – 10 participants each session.

To book on a workshop please complete the booking form which can be found by clicking on the link here: <https://forms.office.com/e/4SsYxjyJ6Q>

Or scan the QR code below:



Once your booking has been confirmed, you will be emailed a MS Teams link nearer the time of the session.

If you have any questions, please email Wilma.Williams@brighterfuturesforchildren.org.



**Fridays, 5th July; 20th Sep; 11th Oct; 15th Nov;
13th Dec 2024**

Community Parent/Carer Support Group, Whitley

A support group for family members who have children/young people with additional needs living within the community of Whitley and Reading.

A safe and supportive space for sharing experiences and gaining support with the unique challenges faced by families of children with additional needs.

Each session will include an hour talk on a subject linked with being a parent/carers of a child with an additional need. The remainder of the session will be for discussion of the topic and social support time.

DATE & TIME

See above for dates
9.15am- 11.15am

VENUE

South Reading Community Hub
252 Northumberland Avenue
Reading RG2 7QA
MAIN HALL

COST

FREE
(Refreshments provided)

BOOKING & INFORMATION

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