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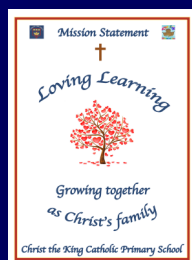
“Loving, learning, growing together as Christ’s family”



**On Thursday Mrs Casey’s Class went to Leighton Park to meet the author
Lisa Williams**



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Yuan Yang our local MP for Earley, Woodley, Whitley and Shinfield came to present an assembly this week to Key Stage 2 about what it's like to be an MP. What are the responsibilities and how to become one.

All the children engaged well and asked as well as answered some excellent questions.



Term dates 2024

25th September - 6th November - Beat the Street

11th October- Yr6 to JMA

22nd October - Para-Olympian visit

28th October to 1st November 2024 - Half Term

8th November 2024 - Open Day 9.15 and 5pm

20th November - Yr5 Ufton Trip

22nd November - Pantomime

11th December - Reception Nativity 9.30am and 2pm

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

17th December - KS1 Nativity

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

20th December 2024 - School closes at 1.30pm

7th January 2025 - Start of School Term



Christ the King Catholic Primary School

OPEN DAY VISITS

Reception Starters

September 2025

Friday 8th November at

9:15am & 5.00PM

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



School Streets Reminder

A reminder that Exbourne Road will be closed at school drop off and pick up times.

Please remember the road is not a pedestrian walk way, it is still a road therefore, please make sure your children walk on the pavements and not on the road.

When parking or stopping please ensure you do not block drive-ways. The Church carpark is available to park in for drop off and pick up times.

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

Gospel

Mark 10:2-16

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples scolded them, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

In truth I tell you, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.'

Then he embraced them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

Church News

First Holy Communion

If your child is in year 3 or above and you would like them to join the First Holy communion Program please ensure you complete the form, which is available from the church, by 13th October.

Saturday 5th October

Praying the Holy Rosary by candlelight outside the church after the 6.30pm mass. Please join, as we ask our Heavenly Mother Mary to intercede for us for peace where there is conflict in the world and for our own needs.



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.

Stars of the Week

Miss Scott: Tristan

Miss Lockwood: Stasiu & Olivia

Miss Yan: Asterina & Frankie

Miss Thompson: Nethan & Alice

Miss Pearce: Divinsha & Kathleen

Mrs Gooch: Alicia & Tenzing

Mrs Casey: Georgie & Archie

Mrs Powell: Henry & Stephanie

Mrs Bloom: Edna & Kendall

Miss Sutton: Connor

Ducklings: Tudor

Nurture: Jeremiah

Reading Points

100 Points - Alicia

150 Points - Alice, Olesia, Ewa

200 Points - Alice, Ewa

250 - Ewa

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: Tenzing, Cameron, Shanira

Nidan: Franek, Alicia, Sabrina, Gabriel, Zuzana, Natalia, Giselle, Esmee, Lexi,
Leon & Luca

Sandan: Zach, Isaac, Ethan, Kassie, Sahan, Wiktor, Raya, Shay & Jemimah

Yodan: Alejandro, Perez, Emmanuel

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.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Avanti Cycling delivers Bikeability training on behalf of Reading Borough Council. Your Y5/Y6 child is eligible for free Bikeability Level 1&2 training at **Christ the King Catholic Primary School** over 2 days, commencing on or after **4th November 2024**.

This course lasts two days and is taught at a ratio of one instructor to six riders. Level 1 develops cycle control and group riding skills in the playground, before moving on to Level 2 road cycling skills on local roads developing hazard awareness and good decision making. We train children to ride in an appropriate manner incorporating real life traffic situations for a high-quality learning environment.

If your child can already independently pedal a cycle, without stabilisers, **please register them onto the course by 16th October 2024 by selecting 'Enrol' at <https://avanticycling.co.uk/bikeability>** or follow this direct booking link [Enrolment Form](#).

You should enter the following information:

Area	Reading
School Name	Christ the King Catholic Primary School
Course Date	4 November 2024
Level	Level 1&2
Year Group	5 or 6

Your child does need to be able to ride a bike independently prior to commencing the above course. For children without a bike and/or helmet, these can be hired for £10 per bike per course (no charge for helmets) if ordered in advance. Please **contact the school office directly** to make your request and pay at least 5 days before each course.

For children not yet able to ride, we can provide free **Learn to Ride** training to teach them to pedal and steer their cycle (90-120mins course in the playground), in advance of the Level 1&2 course. We will provide bikes and helmets for free of charge for this course if you don't have your own.

If your child needs this opportunity, please follow the same Enrolment link above and enter the following details by 14th October, training date to be confirmed.

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Course Date	4 November 2024
Level	Learn to ride
Year Group	5 or 6

You may enrol your child/children for both courses,

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,
Vera Murray
Reading Area 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



South and East Reading are being transformed into a giant community-wide game!

Earn points, get active and win prizes and awards for you and your community in this free, fun, walking, cycling or wheeling game. Create or join your community team and you could win loads of great prizes!

South and East Reading are being transformed into a giant game from **25 September - 6 November 2024**, and your community is invited to play.

Let's boost physical and mental health

Being physically active improves physical and mental health and boosts mood, immunity and relieves stress. Beat the Street helps make small changes to daily behaviour that can make a big difference for children and adults and help you to remain active after the game.

On your marks... Grab your cards or download our Beat the Street App

You can pick up a card from any local distribution points to use along with the map. Use the card to play the game and collect those all-important points. By playing with the Beat the Street App you can get access to exclusive features! Collect Gems, choose an avatar to represent you and raise the competition with our team leaderboards.

Get set... Register for prizes and more

Register your card at beatthestreet.me/readingse to win prizes and awards, track scores, join our health survey to earn extra points, and get the latest information about the game.

How to play?

To play, you can use a card or our Beat the Street App (Age 13+).

1. Create your Beat the Street account on our website at beatthestreet.me/readingse or by downloading our **Beat the Street App** via Google Play or the App Store
2. Add family members, and register a card to player profiles. Set up a team or join an existing one.
3. Start your journey. Find your nearest Beat Box using a paper or digital map and hover your card at the contactless Beat Box until it beeps and flashes. If playing with the app, tap the Beat Box icon on your phone and swipe to collect points.
4. Visit 2 Beat Boxes within an hour and collect 10 points for each Beat Box – this is 20 points for the journey.
5. Carry on your journey. Score 10 points for each extra Box you visit.

Awards and prizes

At the end of the game, we'll award a trophy for the top community teams. Individuals can also win Lucky Spot prizes including Beat the Street goodies on different weekly competitions.

If you can complete certain challenges, you'll also unlock an award! **Awards** will unlock automatically by earning points, playing at certain times or going out with your team. Check out your dashboard to see what awards you have earned and which ones you can still play for!

6. Any questions? Visit beatthestreet.me to find out more! Sign up for our weekly newsletter and follow us on our social networks.



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Beat the Street Reading South & East is being delivered by Intelligent Health and is funded by Reading Borough Council, Eden Project, Natural England, and the National Lottery via Sport England.

25 September – 6 November 2024

Beat
the
Street

Reading South & East



Play the free, fun, walking, cycling and wheeling game across Reading South & East!

Create a team with your friends and colleagues or join your school team and you could win loads of great prizes. Visit beatthestreet.me to find out more.



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- By playing with the Beat the Street App you can get access to exclusive features! Collect Gems, choose an avatar to represent you and raise the competition with our team leaderboards. There is so much to discover!



@beat_the_street

Get started





PRESENTS - AN URBAN ODYSSEY WITH UP-CLOSE,
DAZZLING, ADRENALINE-FUELLED, AUDACIOUS
STORY-TELLING INSPIRED BY TRUE STORIES

justiceinmotion.co.uk
info@justiceinmotion.co.uk
justiceinmotion.theatre
justice_in_motion
justice_in_motion

FREE -
NO BOOKING
REQUIRED

JOHN MADEJSKI ACADEMY, READING RG2 8AF

12 October / 12pm + 3pm



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FREE WEEKLY GIRLS CRICKET

King's Academy Prospect, Cockney Hill, Tilehurst, Reading RG30 4EX

TUESDAYS 4:30-6PM



GIRLS AGED 8-15YRS WELCOME
OPEN TO ALL ABILITIES
ALL SOFTBALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
MICHELLE JEYARAJAH
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[SIGN UP HERE](#)



CHANCE TO SHINE
STREET



Parent Carers

Hello!

We are excited to let you know that **your school** has chosen to take part in **Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS)**!

Your voice is vital to the success of this project and we will invite **all** parents and carers to take part.

We really want to know what matters to you!

The project aims to **strengthen relationships** between all stakeholders involved with the education of your child and help **shape** SEND support in your school for all **neurodivergent students**.

Watch this space for opportunities to voice your opinion soon!

We look forward to meeting with you.

Cathy Dearlove & Joanna Bains
School Group Coordinators



**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

Charlie Taylor
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**Children welcome under parent supervision
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Mental Health Support Team Workshop



RAISING YOUR CHILD'S SELF-ESTEEM



Is your child struggling with feelings of low self-worth?

DO THEY:

- not recognise their strengths?
- compare themselves to others?
- lack self-confidence?

Parents/carers/professionals, join us for advice on how to support your child, or children you work with.



Friday, 22 November 2024



9.30-11am



Online via MS Teams

Scan the QR code to book or register your interest for future dates.

Or, email MHST@brighterfuturesforchildren.org



Visit our site for more information about the service
www.brighterfuturesforchildren.org/YPMHST



The Educational Psychology Service (EPS) and Primary Mental Health Team (PMHT) have been running regular half termly virtual parent workshops, aimed at primary school aged children, on **helping your child with fears and worries**.

These are always very well received by parents and, as such, we are offering further dates (see below).

The aim of the workshop is to teach parents cognitive behavioural strategies so they can use them with their children to overcome their anxiety. It is based on the book: 'Overcoming your child's worries and fears' by Cathy Cresswell and Lucy Willetts.

The group is a 2.5 hour online workshop – a “whistle stop tour” of key principles for parents. **'Free of charge, a no fee session'**.

In addition, in response to increasing demand for **support for children with autism and anxiety**, the EPS and PHMW teams have developed a further parental workshop, aimed at parents of children who have been recognised as autistic, who have autism “traits”

or who are awaiting a diagnosis, and are experiencing anxiety. The aim of this workshop is to understand some of the differences in thinking styles of children with autism and why this can make them more prone to anxiety - in particular, intolerance of uncertainty.

It pulls together information from a range of sources and offers practical strategies for support. The group is a 2.5 hour online workshop – a “whistle stop tour” of key principles for parents. **'Free of charge, a no fee session'**.

Please see dates on next page

These workshops will run every half term (12 workshops in total).

Here are the session dates planned for next academic year:

‘helping your child with fears and worries’

Wed 9th October 2024 - 9.30am – 12.00pm
Thurs 28th November 2024 - 9.30am – 12.00pm
Tues 28th January 2025 - 9.30 – 12.00pm
Wed 19th March 2025 - 9.30am – 12.00pm
Thurs 15th May 2025 - 9.30am – 12.00pm
Tues 24th June 2025 - 9.30am – 12.00pm

‘support for children with autism and anxiety’

Thurs 17th October 2024 - 9.30am – 12pm
Wed 4th December 2024 - 9.30am – 12pm
Thurs 6th February 2025 - 9.30am – 12pm
Tues 25th March 2025 9.30am – 12.pm
Wed 7th May 2025 - 9.30am – 12pm
Thurs 3rd July 2025 - 9.30am – 12pm

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

If you are interested, please email

Wilma.Williams@brighterfuturesforchildren.org

and include: your name, email and phone number (for contact – you will be emailed a Teams link) and your child’s age and school. Please also state which of the dates for the course you are able to make.

and whether you have a preferred date.