



Christ the King Catholic Primary

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



Year 1 had a wonderful Chinese Culture Experience Day on Thursday. They learnt a Chinese dance, tried to write Chinese characters and made a traditional snack.



**Christ the King Catholic Primary School & Nursery,
with The ARK, A Specialist Resource
Lulworth Road, Reading RG2 8LX**

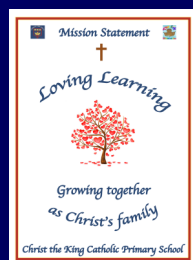
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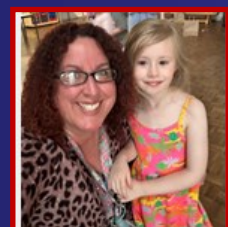
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Thank you to the PTFA for organising the school disco and to all the volunteers who helped run the event.

Everyone had lots of fun.



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04.07.24

School Street Scheme

Dear Parent/Carers,

As you are aware, we are trialling the closure of Exbourne Road starting Monday 8th July. The road will be closed at the following times:

Morning - 8.20 - 9.05
Afternoon - 2.50 - 3.30

The road will only be closed at these times so it will be open on the last day of term when we finish at 1.30.

- Staff from all three schools will be marshalling at the top of the road during these times. At least one member of staff has attended the Marshall training.
- We ask you **not** to drop the children at the roundabout, but to park and walk the children to the school gate.
- Children from Reception to Year 4 must still use this gate. If your child is in Years 5 and 6 but has a sibling in these year groups they must also use this gate as before.
- We are not responsible for the children until they are on the school premises, therefore an adult must accompany the children from the parking spot to the school gate.
- You will not be permitted to go to an alternative gate.
- Cars displaying a blue badge will be allowed to pass through.

I have spoken to Father Daniel at Christ the King Church and he has agreed for parents to park in the church car park and walk from there. This option is only open to parents of Christ the King School.

I understand this is a big change for everyone and there may be some initial teething problems. I ask you all for your patience and understanding.

Best Wishes
Mrs Nikki McVeigh

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Term dates 2024

18th July - Yr 6 Leavers BBQ

19th July - Reports sent out

23rd July - Leavers Mass at 9.30

23rd July - End of Term - School closes at 1.30pm

24th July - Inset Day - School closed

3rd & 4th September - Inset Days - School closed

5th September - Start of School Term

Great News

**From September Nursery will be offering 30 hour places.
If you are interested please contact the school office.**

Reminder - Gates close at 8.50am

The Ark gate and Exbourne Road gate will be closed and pad-locked 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.

As the weather is getting warmer please make sure your child brings in a water bottle and sun hat.

Parents/Carers here is a link about how to stay safe, there are some useful resources and tips on how to talk to your children.

<https://staytruetoyou.co.uk/>

We hope you find this helpful, it has been tailored for the Thames Valley area.

School Dinners

The price of a school meal is £2.50 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.

From September the price will be £2.75 per day.

Thank you

Stars of the Week

Miss Scott: Ruby & Favour

Mr Taplin: Briana & Shyrae

Miss Lockwood: Whole Class

Miss Yan: Peyton & Avnoor

Miss Sutton & Mrs Gallian: Myra & Sebastian

Miss Pearce: Freya & Bartosz

Miss Thompson: Amelia & Logan

Mrs Gooch: Harper & Lukasz

Mrs Casey: Emmanuel & Nathan

Ark: Travis

Nurture: D'Marley

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.

Gospel

Mark 6:1-6

And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is despised only in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, except that he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them.

He was amazed at their lack of faith. He made a tour round the villages, teaching.

2 WEEK

SUMMER SIZZLER SALE

SPECIAL PROMOTION

3 FOR 2

1ST - 14TH JULY

Bring Summer indoors

Free taste test our new spritzers!

Enjoy the air-conditioning

- For all new bookings and not to be used in conjunction with any other offer
- Cheapest item free
- Painting sessions to take place between these dates
- ALL items must be completed in the session booked
- Excludes evening sessions at Tilehurst



TUESDAY'S IN SUMMER

30TH JULY
6TH AUGUST
13TH AUGUST
20TH AUGUST
27TH AUGUST



At our Tilehurst and Arborfield Studios'
and on Event Take-Away Boxes



£10
TUESDAY'S



Visit our website to book -
(limited morning sessions):
www.madhatterspottery.co.uk

(summer sale item, mug of tea, milk or squash & biscuits)

A newsletter for families of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) in Reading

The Summer Issue



www.readingsendlocaloffer.org

Inside

- SEND news
- What's on in Reading & SEND short breaks
- Family support
- Preparation for adulthood
- Counselling for young people
- And much more...

information can also be found at

<https://servicesguide.reading.gov.uk/kb5/reading/directory/advice.page?id=meyhuLtRQgY>

Short Breaks for the Easter Holidays can be found here - [SEND Short Breaks \(all ability activities & overnight breaks\)](#) | [Reading Services Guide](#)

SEND Local Offer 16+ Guide - [SEND Local Offer 16+ Guide](#) | [Reading Services Guide](#)

Please keep visiting the SEND Local Offer for updates on local services
www.readingsendlocaloffer.org

Financial support for low income households in Reading

If you are a Reading resident on a low income and struggling to make ends meet during the ongoing cost-of-living crisis, you may be eligible for financial support from Reading Borough Council.

The Household Support Fund provides cost-of-living support to households in the most need.

A payment of £125 per household is available from the Household Support Fund to help pay for essentials such as food, energy, water, and housing costs.

Applications can be made once between May and the end of July 2024.

Households who already receive means tested benefits or other related state benefits (such as a Personal Independence Payment) are automatically assumed to have a low income.

Find out more about the Household Support Fund and apply at www.reading.gov.uk/household-support-fund

Apply here



Before starting an application, you will need some, or all, of the following information:

- Your Council Tax account number (starts with a 6 and can be found on your Council Tax bill)
- National Insurance number for you and your partner
- Details of income/benefits for you and your partner
- Details of essential expenditure for you and your partner
- Details of any savings you and your partner have

For more cost-of-living advice and support, please visit the Council's Money Matters advice webpage:
www.reading.gov.uk/housing/money-matters

The Council also funds local voluntary and community sector organisations to provide cost of living support:

Debt Advice

Citizens Advice Reading

Advice line: 0808 278 7819



Tackling Poverty Partnership

CommuniCare

Advice line: 0118 926 3941

Email: office@communicare.org.uk



Support is being prioritised to households who fall into one or more of the following categories:

- Residents above state pension age
- Carers
- Care leavers
- People with disabilities
- Families with children receiving Pupil Premium
- People living alone
- Residents with unsecure employment
- Large households
- People with energy inefficient homes
- Households with prepayment energy meters
- Residents in private rented accommodation
- Victims of crime
- Veterans
- Residents with English as a second language
- Residents with ethnically diverse heritage

www.reading.gov.uk/household-support-fund



**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
07831409731
charlie@parentingspecialchildren.co.uk

**Children welcome under parent supervision
Supported by Berkshire Community Foundation**



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Scarlett Fever

Symptoms

- Stage 1: High temperature, headache, a sore throat and swollen neck glands.
- Stage 2: A fine red, raised sand paper- like rash 12-48 hours later which typically first appears on the chest and stomach, rapidly spreading to other parts of the body. It may also cause a strawberry tongue.

On brown and black skin, it might be harder to see a change in colour, but you can still feel the rash and see the raised bumps.



Prevention

If your child develops symptoms of scarlet fever, contact your GP as soon as possible as they need antibiotics. Stay away from nursery or school until 24 hours after the first dose of antibiotics. Wash your hands regularly and cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze.

Exclusion: Children and adults with suspected scarlet fever should be excluded from the education setting / work until 24 hours after the commencement of appropriate antibiotic treatment.

Individuals in the setting with underlying conditions which affects their immune system or specific clinical vulnerabilities, should seek advice from their GP or clinical team.

Whitley Pharmacy

277 Basingstoke Road, Reading, Berkshire, RG2 0HY

Tel: 0118 987 2238

Opening Times

Monday to Friday - 9am - 6pm
Saturday, Sunday & Bank Holidays - Closed

Your FREE Healthy Living Leaflet for July 2024

1. What is measles?
2. How do you know if you or your child has measles?
3. What are the first symptoms?
4. How are measles spread?
5. What does the rash look like?
6. When should I get an urgent GP appointment or help from NHS 111?
7. Should we stay off work, nursery and school?
8. How can I avoid spreading or catching measles?
9. What is the MMR vaccine?
10. When should people get inoculated?



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Answers on the bottom of P2

What is measles?

Measles is an infection that spreads very easily and can cause serious problems in some people. Having the MMR vaccine is the best way to prevent it. Measles usually starts with cold like symptoms, followed by a rash a few days later.

The first symptoms of measles include:

- A high temperature
- A runny or blocked nose
- Sneezing
- A cough
- Red, sore, watery eyes.

Small white spots may appear inside the cheeks and on the back of the lips a few days later. These spots usually last a few days. The measles rash starts on the face and behind the ears before spreading to the rest of the body.

The spots of the rash are sometimes raised and join together to form blotchy

patches. They are not usually itchy. The rash looks brown on white skin, but it may be harder to see on brown and black skin.



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When should I ask for an urgent GP appointment or get help from NHS 111?

- If you think you or your child may have measles – measles is a notifiable disease.
- Your child is under 1 and has come into contact with someone who has measles.
- You've been in close contact with someone who has measles, and you are pregnant or have a weakened immune system.
- You or your child have a high temperature that has not come down after taking paracetamol or ibuprofen.
- You or child is having difficulty breathing - you may feel more short of breath than usual.
- You or child are peeing less than usual (or your baby has fewer wet nappies).
- You or your child feels very unwell, or you are worried something is seriously wrong.

Measles can spread to others easily so call your surgery before you go in. They may suggest talking over the phone.

Measles usually starts to get better in about a week. After seeing a GP there are things you can do to help ease the symptoms and reduce the risk of spreading the infection. It can help to:

- Rest and drink plenty of fluids, such as water to avoid dehydration.
- Take paracetamol or ibuprofen, if you are able to, to lower a high temperature.
- Give your child paracetamol or ibuprofen if they're distressed or uncomfortable, if it is suitable.
- Use cotton wool soaked in warm water to gently remove any crust from yours or your child's eyes.

Measles is spread when an infected person breathes, coughs or sneezes. You are infectious from when you first have symptoms

(around 4 days before the rash appears) until 4 days after you get the rash. So, it is important to stay off nursery, school or work for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears. Also try to avoid close contact with babies, anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system.

How to avoid spreading or catching measles:

- Wash your hands often with soap and warm water.
- Use tissues when you cough or sneeze.
- Throw used tissues in the bin.
- Do not share cutlery, cups, towels, clothes or bedding.

The best way to avoid measles is to have the MMR vaccine as it also protects you from mumps and rubella. It is offered to all children in the UK and can give lifelong protection. Babies and young children are given 2 doses of the vaccine at 1 year old and 3 years 4 months old. Uptake of the first dose in 22/23 was 93% (below the 95% targets set up the WHO) while coverage for the second dose was at only 85%. This may explain why measles outbreaks are happening.

For more information about this or any other health concern you may have, chat to one of our trained team.



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Answers: Q1, A highly infectious disease transmitted through the respiratory route. Q2, It usually starts with cold like symptoms followed by a rash a few days later. Q3, A high temperature, runny or blocked nose, sneezing, a cough, red, sore watery eyes. Q4, When an infected person breathes, coughs or sneezes. Q5, It starts on the face and behind the ears before spreading to the rest of the body. The spots are sometimes raised and join together to form blotchy patches. Q6, If you think you or your child may have measles, your child is under 1 and has come into contact with somebody who has measles, you've been in close contact with someone who has measles and you are pregnant or have a weakened immune system, you or your child have a high temperature that has not come down after using paracetamol or ibuprofen, you or your child are having problems breathing, you or your child are peeing less than usual, you or your child feels unwell. Q7, Yes, you should isolate for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears. Q8, Wash your hands often with soap and warm water, use tissues when you cough or sneeze, throw used tissues in the bin, don't share cutlery, cups, towels, clothes or bedding. Q9, The MMR vaccine can prevent measles and it protects you from mumps and rubella. Q10, The MMR vaccine is offered to all children in the UK. 2 doses can give lifelong protection against measles, mumps and rubella.

SMART WORKS READING OUTREACH LEAD

Salary: £24, 960 - £26,000 FTE depending on experience

Closing date: Monday 29th July at 5pm

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Manage and nurture relationships with referral partners across Berkshire, including job centres, refuges, prisons, work programme providers, and other charities.
- Research and create project plans to engage new referral partners and maintain existing relationships.
- Organise and attend inspiring events to showcase our impact and increase referrals.
- Analyse data and manage our referral database to identify opportunities and track our success.
- Share regular, engaging communications with referral partners.
- Pilot innovative initiatives to boost engagement with our partners.
- Support the smooth running of our Reading centre, including answering calls and booking appointments.
- Participate in regular online meetings and annual conferences with the wider Smart Works team.

BENEFITS, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS

- A salary of £24,960 - £26,000 FTE (depending on experience)
- Flexible working options (minimum 30 hours per week)
- 25 days of annual leave, plus bank holidays
- Company pension scheme
- A positive, supportive working environment with opportunities for growth
- The chance to make a tangible difference in women's lives.
- VIP access to Smart Works sales, events, and pop-up shops
- Be part of a fast-growing, high-profile UK charity with a proven track record of success

HOW TO APPLY

Please submit a CV by Monday 29th July at 5pm.

Closing date for applications **5pm Monday 29th July**.

First round interviews will be held virtually on **Wednesday 7th August**, via Microsoft Teams.

Second Round interviews will be **Wednesday 14th August**, in person at our Reading Office.

Smart Works is committed to best practice employment practices, including reducing the burden for those seeking work. Smart Works will therefore reimburse reasonable costs of travel to interviews if required.

At Smart Works we will apply suitable measures to keep your information secure in accordance with our Privacy Policy (a current version of which is available on our website).



Oakbank

SUMMER OPEN EVENING

Come and see our vibrant, friendly school for 11 to
16-year-olds at the heart of rural Berkshire.

Tuesday, 9 July
5.30pm – 7pm

T. 0118 988 3616 E. enquiries@oakbank.anthemtrust.uk

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SESSIONS FOR 5-8
YEAR OLDS ACROSS
READING AND SLOUGH
IN THE SUMMER
HOLIDAYS**



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**FREE WEEKLY CRICKET
SESSIONS FOR 8-11
YEAR OLDS ACROSS
READING AND SLOUGH
IN THE SUMMER
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Mental Health coffee mornings in READING SCHOOLS 2024

Come and learn about mental health in a relaxed and informal setting. Understand how mental health might affect your child and learn practical tools to help you support your child through any mental health difficulties they may experience, whether short or long-term.

These informal coffee mornings are run by Amanda Mavunga, Reading MHST CAMHS Senior Clinician at BFFC. Amanda will deliver a presentation followed by an opportunity to ask questions. You can attend any session, even if your child does not attend the hosting school.



YOU MAY ATTEND ANY OF THESE SESSIONS AT ANY SCHOOL

DATE/TIME	SUBJECT	SCHOOL
9 Jan, 9.15-11.15am	Challenging behaviour	St. Michael's Primary School
18 Jan, 1-3pm	Supporting your child with autism	English Martyrs Catholic Primary School
19 Jan, 9.15-11.15am	ADHD	Whitley Park Primary and Nursery School
29 Jan, 9.15-11.15am	Challenging behaviour	Oxford Road Community School
31 Jan, 9.15-11.15am	OCD	Churchend Primary Academy
22 Feb, 9.15-11.15am	Mental health and minority ethnic identity	St. Michael's Primary School
29 Feb, 1-3pm	Impact of social media on mental health	English Martyrs Catholic Primary School
1 March, 9.15-11.15am	Low self-esteem: Building resilience to improve mental health	Whitley Park Primary and Nursery School
18 March, 1-3pm	Support with growing up, mood and hormonal changes	English Martyrs Catholic Primary School
26 March, 9.15-11.15am	ADHD	Churchend Primary Academy
19 April, 9.15-11.15am	Anxiety	St. Michael's Primary School
26 April, 9.15-11.15am	Challenging behaviour	Whitley Park Primary and Nursery School
20 May, 9.15-11.15am	Autism	Churchend Primary Academy
4 June, 9.15-11.15am	Autism	St. Michael's Primary School
14 June, 9.15-11.15am	Emotional wellbeing Q&A	Whitley Park Primary and Nursery School
8 July, 9.15-11.15am	ADHD	St. Michael's Primary School
12 July, 9.15-11.15am	Anxiety or Q&A	Churchend Primary Academy
SUMMER HOLIDAYS		