



Christ the King Catholic Primary

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

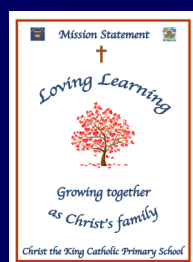


**The children in the Ark visited Ufton Court on Tuesday.
They all enjoyed a variety of outdoor team building
activities.**



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**Today we are sadly saying goodbye to
Mrs Cox.**

**We would like to thank her for her hard work
and all the support she has given whilst with
us at Christ the King.**

**We wish her all the best in her new role working with the
Primary Mental Health Team.**

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

All children should bring a coat into school.

Please Note - Crocs are not suitable footwear for school.

REMINDER -PE Kit

**Please ensure your child wears correct PE Kit. During the
cold weather, children can wear tracksuit bottoms, their
house colour t-shirt and optional appropriate hoody,
which should also be their house colour.**

Stevensons school uniform shop has now relocated to

4 Chatham Place, Reading, RG1 7AR

readingbranch@stevensons.co.uk 01189 596462

**Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday
9pm to 5pm**

Term dates 2024

2nd February — NSPCC Number Day

12th to 16th February - Half term

19th February - Ark - Ufton Visit

26th February to 1st March - Yr 5 Bikeability Levels 1 & 2

7th March - World Book Day

18th March, 3.30pm to 5.30pm - Parent Consultations

20th March, 4pm to 7pm - Parent Consultations

25th March - Class Photos

28th March - End of term, school closes 1.30pm

29th March to 14th April - Easter break

15th April - Inset Day

16th April - Start of Term

23rd - 24th April - Ark, Ufton Court Visit

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.

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.

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

Healthy Snacks

We have noticed an increasing number of KS2 children bringing in a variety of unhealthy snacks for break time eg. 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.

Stars of the Week

Mr Taplin: Enzo & Arnold

Miss Scott: Vienna & Olaf

Miss Lockwood: J'Dore & Skye

Miss Yan: Emilia & Lucas

Mrs Gallian/Miss Sutton: Michelle-Lilly & Eva-Rose

Miss Nasrallah: Freya & Sanaya

Miss Thompson: Isabella & Wiktor

Mrs Gooch: Esmee & Annie

Mrs Casey: Joey & Uzziel

Miss Pearce: Jade & Zack

Mrs Bloom: Olivia & James

Ark: Whole Class

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.

This Weeks Ninja

Nidan: Aidan

Reading Points

50 points - Zach, Amelia & Michelle

100 points - Joey, Anaya

150 points - Uzziel & Oskar

Breakfast club are asking for donations of dolls, board games and puzzles. If you have any of these items that are no longer being used and would like to donate them, please hand them into the school office.

Thank you

If your child is going to be late in due to an appointment 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.

Gospel

Gospel, *Mark 3:7-12*

And he asked his disciples to have a boat ready for him because of the crowd, to keep him from being crushed.

For he had cured so many that all who were afflicted in any way were crowding forward to touch him. And the unclean spirits, whenever they saw him, would fall down before him and shout, 'You are the Son of God!'

But he warned them strongly not to make him known.

SEN Information

On our website there is a Special Educational Needs tab and this is where the Local Offer newsletter link is and will update regularly with all activities for children with SEND.

Here is what can be found in the new Winter Newsletter:

Amanda Mavunga, Clinical Lead and CAMHS Specialist Mental Health Practitioner, with professional registrations and accreditations which include Mental Health Nursing, Health Visitor, and Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapist.

Shagufta Ali ACRE/Alafia Family Support Worker - Alafia supports Ethnic Minority families caring for children and young people (0-25) on a wide spectrum of disabilities or additional needs

- News items, what's on/events available throughout the Christmas holidays
- Early Years – updates from the sector
- Preparing for adulthood – 16-25 updates

Short breaks, support services and much more...

please remember, this is just a snapshot of the wealth of information that can be found on the www.readingsendlocaloffer.org

Reading Short Breaks are part funded by Brighter Futures for Children (BFfC)



Please contact individual providers with questions and to book

SEND Short Breaks February Half Term with Reading Play

Funded by Brighter Futures for Children

SEND February 2024 Half Term Holiday Short Breaks Sessions - Reading Play

Reading Play welcomes you to The Ranger Station as your SEND half term provider, we will be holding two sessions on the Tuesday 13th and Thursday 15th February 2024.

We will be hosting a range of activities for the sessions which include:

Session one

10am – 12:30pm Age 4 to 7 years

- Low ropes
- Art and crafts
- Bird box making
- Soft archery

Mini golf

Session two

1:30pm to 4pm – Age 8 to 12 years

- Climbing wall
- Archery
- Mini golf
- Fire pit and marshmallow making

Dodgeball

SEND Short Breaks - February Half Term Play Camps By Reading FC Community Trust



This February half term we are running our SEND Play Camps for 5 to 7 years old. The camps will take place on the

12th and 13th February from 10:00 - 13:00 at The Avenue School in Reading. Our staff have experience with working

in SEND settings and with SEND children.

During the camp we will provide activities such as:

Messy Play

Outdoor play

Sensory Play and much more.

There will be a break time during the camp so please provide a snack for your child.

Further information and how to book can be found here

[Reading Directory | SEND Short Breaks - February Half Term Play Camps By Reading FC Community Trust](#)

SEND Short Breaks - February Half Term Multi Sport Camps By Reading FC Community Trust

Our Multi Sport camps are happening this February half term from Monday 12th till Wednesday 14th. They are taking place

at The Avenue School in Reading. Our staff are multi sports qualified and have experience working with SEND.

The camps are for children and young people with SEND aged 8 years to 18 years old and will run from 10:30 - 14:00.

Over the course of the 3 days the children will engage in the following sports:

Basketball

Football

Cricket

Specialist sports

Further information and how to book can be found here

[Reading Directory | SEND Short Breaks - February Half Term Multi sport Camps By Reading FC Community Trust](#)

SEND Short Breaks -Chance to Dance Stars CIC - Dance and Multi Activity Program

Short breaks are available for Reading children aged 5 years to 18 years old.

February Holiday Camp 12th to 16th February 10am to 4pm

We cater for children 5 years to 25 years at all our activities. (discounted short breaks not available for 19-25yrs) Chance to Dance Stars CIC will provide group activities for children & young people with disabilities to have new experiences with sport and dance, to have fun and to build upon social and physical needs.

Note Cost - £20 per day for anyone outside of Reading.

Reading Residents - Sessions are partially funded by Brighter Futures for Children. You receive a 50% discount only paying £10 per day.

Don't forget to enter your discount code: EQN344. Proof of residence will be required in booking.

If your child requires 1:1 you must contact Vicky before booking on sendanceclub@hotmail.com or 07736343570

Time 10am till 2pm (sometimes we have to run 9am till 1pm) Location - Reading

Activities can vary week by week. We will always ask for your feedback.

Sports, dance, drama, singing, arts and crafts, table top games, zumba kids, generation pound, yoga, gymnastics, sensory and messy play.

We use inclusive instructors to run our activities and very grateful for all their support.

Further information can be found here

[Reading Directory | SEND Short Breaks -Chance to Dance Stars CIC - Dance and Multi Activity Program](#)



SEND Short Breaks February Half Term - with Make Sense Theatre

At Make/Sense Theatre is pleased to be bringing back our popular holiday clubs this February Half Term.

These will be running from Monday 12th February to Thursday 15th February and, as always, we aim to provide something for everyone!

Our sessions on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings are for primary aged children aged 4-11 who may have a diagnosis of ASD

or similar and will benefit from a calm, sensory approach to a drama workshop. This is designed for those who struggle in a busy and loud environment but like interactive theatre, drama games, music and movement, messy play and song.

The attendees of this group may require 1:1 support in order to engage with the activities, which we will be able to provide for a limited number of attendees.

Finally, our session on Thursday is an all day session for our MLD groups, who are ready to get creative, socialise, explore different strands of theatre including music and movement, and are happy in a busy, noisy, action-packed environment!

Further information and booking details can be found here

[Reading Directory | SEND Short Breaks February Half Term - with Make Sense Theatre](#)



READING ROCKETS HALF TERM PROGRAMME

Dinky Ballers (From Walking - 3 years old)

Micro Baller Camp (Ages 4-6)

Mini Baller Camp (Ages 7-10)

Ball Handling and Shooting Masterclass (Age 11+)

SEND Session (Age 16+)



**For information and bookings
please visit the website
or scan QR code**

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NEW FOR 2024!

READING ROCKETS

**UNDER 10'S GIRLS COMMUNITY
SESSION (SCHOOL YEARS 2-5)**

STARTING WEDNESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2024

Days: Wednesdays

Time: 4.10-5pm

**Venue: The Warehouse, 1a Cumberland Road,
Reading, RG1 3LB**

Cost: £5 p/week (paid upfront for 6 week term)

**To Book Your Place Please Scan the QR
Code below:**



South Reading Timetable

January - March 2024

These activities are all taking place at Whitley Children's Centre. Have a look at what fun activities you can book on to:



www.brighterfuturesforchildren.org

Monday

Rainbows with Reading Family Church
(Whitley CC)
10-11.30am

Tiny Talkers *
(Whitley CC)
10-11.30am

Portage *
(Whitley CC)
1-2.30pm
Invite only

Tuesday

Baby Dimensions
(Whitley CC)
10-11.30am
Under 1s

Meet the Health Visitor
(Whitley CC)
11am-12noon
Third Tuesday of the month

Stay & Play
(Whitley CC)
1-2pm
For ages 18 months+

Growing Together *
(Whitley CC)
1-2pm

Wednesday

Midwife Meet & Greet
(Whitley CC)
9.30-11am
Invite only, once a month

Messy Play
(Whitley CC)
1-2pm
Under 18 months, every week except first Weds of the month

Well-baby Clinic
Whitley CC
1.30-3.30pm
First Weds of the month

Thursday

Time for Twos *
(Whitley CC)
9.30-11am
For ages 2-3 yrs

Rhyme and Song
(Whitley CC)
1-2pm

Friday

Let's Get Physical
(Whitley CC)
1-2pm

Self-weigh Baby Scales
(All centres)
Anytime during opening hours
For babies 16 weeks+

***Booking required**

Visit our page for more info



more info overleaf

For all sessions that require booking:

You can now book via our new [parent portal](#) or attend your local children's centre for support.

Find us at
Reading Children's Centres



More information on our free sessions at South Reading Cluster



Rainbows, Reading Family Church

Fun activities planned around areas of child development. A supportive session for all families in the local area.

Stay and Play

For under fives. Each week we will have new and exciting activities to play, learn and have fun from messy play, singing & arts and crafts.

Tiny Talkers

Learn effective ways to communicate and develop your child's speech and language through literacy in a fun and friendly environment.

Meet the Health Visitor

If you have any health questions about your baby for the Health Visitor, come and join our friendly Bumps and Babes session every third Thursday of the month.

Let's Get Physical

For children aged 1-3 to develop their physical skills, with lots of opportunity to jump, climb and be active with friends, as well as a song time.

Messy Play

Your young child, under 18 months old, will explore different textures and materials in a safe and friendly environment.

Time for Twos

A new session for children aged two to help with the first steps of getting ready for nursery and a chance to meet other children and learn through play.

Well-baby Clinic

The Well-baby clinic is a drop in session where you can speak to a health professional for a brief consultation about your child's health and you can also weigh your baby.

Bumps and Babes

Do you have a baby aged 0-6 months? Join us for a pre-booked session with an experienced baby development worker enjoying activities to stimulate your baby's senses.

Rhyme and Song

Who doesn't love a sing song? Come and enjoy nursery rhymes and songs in a friendly group. It's a fun way to encourage speech and language skills.

Midwife Meet & Greet

Meet the Blossom Midwife team and ask any questions you may have. This is an invite only session so please speak to your midwife to get booked on.

Growing Together

Our five-week nurturing sessions focus on play with your child with a topic each week to explore together, such as managing behaviour, weaning and toilet training and your well being. PLEASE BOOK as spaces are limited.

Find us at:

Whitley Children's Centre
252 Northumberland Avenue
Whitley
Reading
RG2 7QA

Useful contacts

Reading Family Information Service (FIS): fis@reading.gov.uk

Community midwives: 0118 322 8059

Health visiting team: 0118 931 2111

Find us at
Reading Children's Centres



Let's talk about...

SPEED

“

Slow traffic
makes it safer
for us to walk
and cycle to school

”

**Every day, six children are killed
or seriously injured on UK roads**

25% of parents say traffic is too fast for their
children to walk or cycle to school*

Whoever you are, however you travel,
we need to talk about speed.

* Brake (2023) www.brake.org.uk/what-do-parents-think-about-their-childrens-journeys-to-school



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