31st March 2023 No 587

# Christ the King Catholic Primary School

**"Loving, learning, growing together as Christ's family"**

**Year 4 presented Stations of the Cross on Wednesday for the school, parents and the community. They all did a fabulous job and performed / read clearly and effectively. Special mention to Joey as Jesus, Nathan as the announcer and Marli for the singing.**

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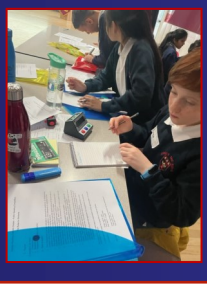
# Stations of the Cross



Some Children from Year 5 attended a Public Speaking Masterclass at

Blessed Hugh Faringdon School.

**Year 6 completed their sponsored walk on Thursday.**

**They are raising money for Year 6 School Leaver Hoodies.**

Thank you to Bailey who came into After School Club to give the children a Gymnastic lesson.

**Reception children really enjoyed their trip to Bucklebury Farm last Friday. They went on a nature walk, fed the animals and played on the indoor and outdoor play equipment.**

# Selection of Raffle prizes

# Some of the Raffle winners

**Wishing you all a happy and restful Easter Break**

**We say goodbye to Mrs Dani**

**And wish her all the best in her new job.**

## Read Everyday Points

## 100 Points:

## Shay

**Maths Ninjas**

**Shodan: Nathan, Veronica, Zack, Bradley. Zara**

**Nidan: Joel, Edna, Tyler, Marek, Elizabeth, Fatima**

**Sandan: Uzziel**

**Yondan: Oskar**

## Stars of the Week

**Miss Nasrallah: Kate & Lucas**

**Mr Cosgrove: Shay, Bella-May & Kian**

**Miss Pearce: Whole class**

**Matthew 21:1-11**

”And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, “Who is this?”

And the crowds replied, “This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee.”

# WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK 2023 - WALK WITH WILDLIFE

**Following the success from last year when many schools signed up we will be promoting Living Streets' Walk to School Week again in 2023.**

**Walk to School Week will take place from 15-19 MAY 2023 and is a five-day walking challenge in celebration of the walk to school - the perfect activity to celebrate National Walking Month this May.**

**Reading Borough Council is working with Living Streets to support Walk to School Week and will fund classroom packs for schools that would like to participate.**

## THIS YEAR'S THEME AND ACTIVITY

**This year's challenge encourages children to travel actively to school every day of the week. Meeting various animals along the way, they will learn about the important reasons to walk and the difference it can make for individuals, communities and the planet!**

**More information can be found below and at the link**

**https://www.livingstreets.org.uk/products-and-services/projects/walk-to-school-week?**

Please join us for our

# PTA Coffee Morning

Friday 28th April at 9.00

## The PTA needs you!

EVERYONE is welcome.

Please come & join us on Friday 28th April at 9am so we can talk about what amazing events & activities we can organize to help make our school a thriving community, raise some money & give the children & our families some fantastic things to look forward to.

You can give as much or as little time as you have, the most important thing is to just come along and get involved. Tea, coffee & biscuits are provided.

Look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in the School library.

## School Dinners

The cost of a school dinner is £2.28 per day.
When your child reaches Year 3, you need to pay for school meals.
A new menu is on the website.

## Reading Books

We are missing a large number of our Read, Write, Inc books. Please can we ask all parents to have a look at home and return them. Thank you

## Water Bottles

Please can we remind all parents to send their children to school with a named water bottle which should only contain water. No Fizzy drinks please.

## Non Attendance

If you are contacting the school office to advise your child will not be attending school, please clearly state:

Day, child's name, class and reason.

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs from
7:30 every morning.
The price is £3.50 per day

## Afterschool Club

Monday to Friday until 6pm,
£10 per session. Please use School Money to book online or ask at the school office if you have any queries.

# Save the dates

2nd April
Palm Sunday
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6th April
Maundy Thursday
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7th April
Good Friday
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9th April
Easter Sunday
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17th April 2023 – INSET Day – School Closed
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18th April 2023 – Start of School Term
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20th April—Nursery return
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28th April 9am
PTA Coffee Morning
* * *

## Break time snacks

Please ensure your child only brings in a healthy snack for break times.

# Term dates 2023

**Summer Term**

17th April 2023 – INSET Day – School Closed

18th April 2023 – Start of School Term

8th May—Bank Holiday for King's Coronation

29th May – 2nd June 2023 – Half Term School Closed

7th July 2023 – INSET Day – School Closed

21st July 2023 - End of Term, School closes at 1:30

**Autumn Term**

5th September 2023 - Start of School Term

**To find out about local activities and events in the area please look on our website under the heading**

**School Community / What's On**

**https://www.christthekingreading.co.uk/topic/school-community**

Brighter Future for Children's March Local Offer newsletter is now on the Website

# Easter Holiday Short Breaks

## Make/Sense Theatre

Make/Sense Theatre's holiday club returns for Easter, 2023. We will be running different sessions for young people with MLD, sensory needs, complex needs, PMLD, from ages 5-25!

**For further information including dates, times and bookings, please click on the link:** Reading Directory | SEND Short Breaks - Easter Holidays - Make/Sense Theatre

## Multi Sport Camp run by RFC Community Trust – 8 to 18 years

SEND multi sports camp run by RFC Community Staff for ages 8 years to 18 years. The camps are taking place this Easter at the Avenue School in Reading.

**For further information including dates, times and bookings, please click on the link:** Reading Directory | SEND Short Breaks Easter - Multi Sport Camp run by RFC Community Trust- 3rd/4th/5th/11th/12th/13th April 2023

## SEND Short Breaks Easter Play Camp 5 to 7 years

SEND play sessions at the Avenue School in Reading from 10am - 13:00pm for ages 5 to 7 years. During the sessions the children will take part in the following activities:

Messy Play
Sensory Play
Soft Play
Arts & Crafts

**For further information including dates, times and bookings, please click on the link:** Reading Directory | SEND Short Breaks Easter Play Camp 5 to 7 years - Easter 3rd/4th/11th/12th April

## SEND Short Breaks Easter Holiday Sessions - Reading Play - Ranger Station

Reading Play welcomes you to The Ranger Station as your SEND Easter holiday provider, we will be holding two sessions on the 4th and 6th April 2023. We will be hosting a range of activities for the sessions which include:

**Session one** 10am – 12:30pm Age 4 to 7 years

**Session two** 1:30pm to 4pm – Age 8 to 12 years

**For further information including dates, times and bookings, please click on the link:** Reading Directory | SEND Short Breaks Easter Holiday Sessions - Reading Play Ranger Station

## 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.
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.

**For further information including dates, times and bookings, please click on the link:** Reading Directory | SEND Short Breaks -Chance to Dance Stars CIC - Dance and Multi Activity Program

# Easter holiday fun - sharpen your bike skills

# Sign up for a Bikeability course

## Highdown School, Reading, RG4 8LR

Level 1 and Level 1 Plus - 5  and 14 April

Levels 1&2 - two-day courses - 3 & 4 and 11 & 12 April

Level 3 - one-day courses - 6 and 13 April

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avanticycling.co.uk/holiday-courses

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# EASTER FOOTBALL CAMP

**FREE CAMP SPACES USE YOUR HAF CODE!**

**WEEK 1 - 3RD, 4TH, APRIL**
**WEEK 2 - 11TH, 12TH & 13TH APRIL**

**TIME: 9-3PM**

JMA ACADEMY, RG2 8AF

**PRICE: £20 A DAY**
(SIBLING DISCOUNTS)

AGES: 5 - 14YRS

**SCAN THE QR CODE!**

READING FC
COMMUNITY
TRUST

Football Camps for Kids Age 5 to 15 years old

# EASTER & MAY FOOTBALL CAMPS 2023

10am - 3pm
School Year 1 to 9
£25 per day

## VENUES

- Cantley Park, Wokingham
- South Reading Leisure Centre, Reading
- The Dome/3G Pitch, SCL Stadium Complex
- Henwick Worthy Playing Fields, Thatcham
- Stanlake Meadow, Twyford

SCAN QR TO BOOK ONLINE

SPACE IS LIMITED

# EASTER & MAY 2023

READING FC COMMUNITY TRUST

| Easter Week 1 | 3rd April | 4th April | 5th April | 6th April | 7th April |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cantley Park, Wokingham, RG40 5QG | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Bank Holiday |
| The Dome/3G Pitch, SCL Stadium Complex, RG2 0FL | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | Bank Holiday |
| South Reading Leisure Centre, RG2 8DH | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | Bank Holiday |
| Henwick Worthy Playing Fields, RG18 3BU | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | Bank Holiday |

| Easter Week 2 | 10th April | 11th April | 12th April | 13th April | 14th April |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cantley Park, Wokingham, RG40 5QG | Bank Holiday | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Stanlake Meadows, Twyford RG10 0AB | Bank Holiday | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Ranikhet Primary School, RG30 4YG | Bank Holiday | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

| May Half Term | 29th May | 30th May | 31st May | 1st June | 2nd June |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cantley Park, Wokingham, RG40 5QG | Bank Holiday | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| South Reading Leisure Centre, RG2 8DH | Bank Holiday | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Ranikhet Primary School, RG30 4YG | Bank Holiday | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ |
| Henwick Worthy Playing Fields, RG18 3BU | Bank Holiday | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ |

# Multi-Sports Holiday Camps

## Easter Holidays

**AT GEOFFREY FIELD JUNIORS**

WHITLEY, READING

**FREE HAF SPACES**

**FOR THOSE WHO RECEIVE PUPIL PREMIUM FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

FIND OUT HOW TO CLAIM YOUR SPACE ON OUR WEBSITE

**£19.50 PER DAY** **£70 FULL WEEK**

★★★★★

OVER 100 5 STAR GOOGLE REVIEWS

**4 TO 12 YEARS***

CHILDREN IN FOUNDATION TO YEAR 7

**DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE**

10% COMMUNITY SUBSCRIBER DISCOUNT
10% SIBLING DISCOUNT

**MONDAY TO THURSDAY**

3RD - 6TH APRIL

**9AM - 1PM**

DROP OFF FROM 8:30

u-sports.co.uk/berkshire/whitley-sports-camp

## Easter

# Camp Mohawk

The Woodland Centre Trust

For children and young people with special needs

Camp Mohawk is a day centre for children with special needs and their families, set in 5 acres of beautiful countryside, just outside Wargrave, Berkshire. Throughout the year the centre provides a range of activities, facilities and natural space to encourage children with a variety of special needs to play, socialise and learn in a secure and caring environment. Our facilities include adventure playgrounds, swings, sensory garden, play village, soft play and sensory rooms, art / craft room, music room, play lounge and, in the summer months, an outdoor, heated play pool. All this is set in approximately 5 acres of natural woodland.

Fireworks night

Tekller play area

Soft play

**What we offer:**

- Family Days in school holidays and on Saturdays in term time – children / young people need to be accompanied by a parent / carer but we have a team of staff and volunteers on hand to provide support and assistance
- Short Breaks activities for children / young people aged 8 to 25 who have High Functioning Autism / Asperger's Syndrome
- Special events including sensory sensitive fireworks displays and Christmas parties
- Group sessions / days for SEND support groups, schools and groups of families

Registration is mandatory for all services and advance booking is necessary for all sessions. Fees / charges for families are all voluntary but contributions from our service users are an important source of income so we do have suggested contribution levels.

Please visit our website or get in touch for more information:
Web: www.campmohawk.org.uk
Email: info@campmohawk.org.uk
Family support: mark.carr@campmohawk.org.uk
Tel: 0118 940 4045

# What's On

## General Activities

### London Zoo's Community Access Scheme

London Zoo is providing discounted tickets for families on low incomes, with tickets from as little as £3 per person, as part of their Community Access Scheme.

To qualify, families must be in receipt of either: Universal Credit, Working Tax Credit, Child Tax Credit, Employment and Support Allowance, Income Support or Jobseeker's Allowance.

The £3 tickets are available for the whole family (under 3s go free), only at the zoo entrance (not online) from 11am every day of the week, and the current offer runs until the end of March 2023.

For further information, please visit London Zoo's Community Access Scheme page Community Access Scheme | London Zoo

### Me2 Club

Me2 Club is launching a new club for teenagers with additional needs in Reading and Wokingham.

The club is for teenagers aged 13 – 19 with any additional need. A diagnosis is not required.

The teenagers will meet monthly and be able to help choose activities and assist in planning and fundraising. The teenagers will be supported to do this and those who can't help plan or fund raise are nonetheless very welcome to come and just enjoy the activities. We have 15 spaces and priority will be given to teenagers who don't have another activity to go to.

Ramona Bridgman, Children and Young People's Participation Coordinator,

Me2 Club email: ramona@me2club.org.uk

### Reading Children's Festival – Don't miss it!

**Don't miss your opportunity to take part in this year's Reading Children's Festival! Kick-off event Forbury Fiesta on 6 May. Follow this link for all details on how to get involved.**

## General Activities

### Smelly Wellies Care Farm

We are an animal care farm in Woodcote. We offer animal assisted therapy sessions and are keen to focus on children with SEND and those who are struggling with emotional and mental health issues. We offer animal assisted care sessions. We offer children a very hands-on, therapeutic and positive experience which has proven to be very successful.

**Mob:** Vikki Edwards on **07377 582103** or **07917 852027**

**Email:** smellywellieswoodcote@gmail.com

**Facebook:** www.facebook.com/smellywellies1

### The Engine Shed

**New Venue for next 6 months - ST BARNABAS CHURCH HALL, 20 St. Barnabas Rd, Emmer Green RG4 8RA**

The clubs enable those with an interest in trains to come together with their peers to observe, play, talk and enjoy their hobby in a welcoming, safe and relaxing environment – and where parents and carers can have a chance to relax and talk in a supportive atmosphere. You do not need to have a diagnosis of autism to attend. The last Saturday of each month (always check website to check we are running)

**Children/young people's group: 11am-2pm**

**Over 18s: 2-4.15pm Free entry. Free teas/biscuits. No need to book.**

**Tel:** Sarah Snow on **0118 3751432**

Email: mail@theenginshed.org.uk

**Web:** theengineshed.org.uk

### Grassrootz

Grassrootz has three drop-in youth clubs in the Reading area, one in **Caversham** and two in **Coley**.

**Caversham, ages 11-16:** Every Tuesday 7- 8.30pm at The Milestone Centre, Northbrook Road, Caversham Park Village, RG4 6PF - £3 entry.

**Coley, ages 8-11:** Every Friday 6-7.30pm The Coley Park Community Centre, 140 Wensley Road, Coley RG1 6DW – £2 entry.

**Coley, ages 11-16:** 8-9:30pm at The Coley Park Community Centre, 140 Wensley Road, Coley RG1 6DW – £2 entry.

# What's On

## Easter

## Quest Family Fest this Easter! Norden Farm

The animals are gathering. But one species hasn't turned up, and it's the species which has been causing all the trouble. Something's got to be done, and whatever it is, it's going to be wild!

**Animals!** is an empowering and uplifting performance about animals, humans and nature. It is fun, interactive and features original songs. It celebrates the amazing wildlife around us and makes big things feel possible.

This event is part of Quest Family Fest 2023.

## Arts & Crafts this Easter at Norden

Join us this Easter for fun and easy crafts! They vary so you can create something new at each session.

The below sessions are part of Quest Family Fest 2023, **Suitable for ages 5 - 11 years**

Join us to navigate your way through two weeks of creative adventures.

**Tues 4 Apr, 1.15pm** - Make and decorate fish mobiles.

**Wed 5 Apr, 1.15pm** - Under the sea themed print making.

**Thur 6 Apr, 1.15pm** - Decorate an under the sea scene using tissue paper and glue.

**Tues 11 Apr, 1.15pm** - Make a fish sun catcher with willow.

**Wed 12 Apr, 1.15pm** - Create dangling jellyfish friends.

**Thur 13 Apr, 1.15pm** - Air dry clay octopus.

**Fri 14 Apr, 1.15pm** - Shaving foam marbling sea creatures.

All materials provided. Children must be accompanied by a paying adult.

Box Office 01628 788997. Web: Norden Farm Events.

## Fairytale Farm

*A sensory and learning wonderland for all the family*

**Mixing classic fairy tales, animals and adventure play, children will love Fairytale Farm.**

**Fairytale Farm is the UK's first visitor attraction that is open to all, but where disabled children come first in our design and layout. A truly inclusive experience, where everything is accessible and everybody is welcome.**

**The farm is divided into six main zones: Huff and Puff for adventure play; Enchanted Walk for our fairytale sensory experience; Alfie and Friends, where you can meet our amazing animals; Jack's Yard, for a fairytale experience; and our brand new Wilderness Walk and Fairy Dell areas, with features being added all the time.**

**Look out for Easter Fun with the Easter Bunny – keep your eye on our events page**

# What's On

## Short breaks, holiday clubs and childcare

## What's on this Easter? Short Breaks

Full information on Easter short breaks can be found here on the SEND Local Offer

## Easter 2023 holiday SEND Short Breaks

**Holiday SEND Short Breaks with funding from Brighter Futures for Children**

### Reading FC Community Trust

**SEND Short Breaks Easter Play Camp**
**5 -7 years**
**3, 4, 11 & 12 April, 10am-1pm**
**The Avenue School,Reading**
Full information here

**SEND Short Breaks Multi Sport Camp**
**8-18 years**
**3, 4, 5, 11, 12, 13 April 2023**
**The Avenue School,Reading**
Full information here

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### Make/Sense Theatre

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**Tuesday 4, Wednesday 5, Thursday 6 and Tuesday 11 April 2023**

**The Avenue School, Conwy Close, Tilehurst, RG30 4BZ.**

Our pricing structure is as follows: £10.50 for part-funded BFfC places, £20 for out of borough/Over 18 places.

We are running different sessions throughout the Easter break for young people. Full information here.

### Cressingham Lego Club

**Sunday 11am-2pm**

The LEGO club meets one Sunday a month at Cressingham Short Breaks Centre.

Spaces are limited to eight young people per session, aged between 8 to 18.

Places are allocated on a first come first served basis. Each session will have some free play and structured activities to encourage the children/young people to use their imagination and learn to work as a team on some of the projects.

Eligibility: Have a current Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP), which includes information to evidence the child/young person cannot access mainstream activities through universal services published on the Local Offer.

Tel: 0118 937 4201, email: Cressingham@brighterfuturesforchildren.org.

Further information, including how to book, can be found here.

## Sporty Activities

# Reading

FREE!

# Sport In Mind

Registered Charity 1161323

## Youth Activities for Mental Wellbeing

Sport in Mind provides **free sport** and **physical activity** opportunities for children and young people to help build confidence and self esteem, meet new people and support low mood and other mental health challenges.

### Reading Sessions (term-time)

| Day | Time | Activity | Age | Venue |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mon | 5-6pm | Football | 9-12 years | Palmer Park 3G pitch |
| Thu | 4:15-5:15pm | Tennis | 10-15 years | South Reading Leisure Centre *starting soon* |
| Fri | 4-5pm | Sport & Games | 9-12 years | Morgan Centre, Queen Anne's School |
| Fri | 5-6pm | Sport & Games | 13-16 years | Morgan Centre, Queen Anne's School |

@sportinmind info@sportinmind.org www.sportinmind.org 01189479762

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# What's On

## Sporty Activities

### Reading Rockets SEN Basketball Sessions

**For children with additional needs aged 8-18yrs**

Book your place at readingrockets.co.uk

Please see flyer for further details.

For further information, please contact steph.johnson@readingrockets.co.uk

**South Reading Leisure Centre, Thursdays 4-5pm.**

### Red Kangaroo Trampolining – Special Needs Sessions

**Kanga Calm Sundays 5– 6pm, £7.95**

Our Kanga Calm sessions are specifically for those aged 2+ who are diagnosed with SEN, ASD, disabled and additional needs. Carers who are not bouncing go free but would pay for socks which can be reused. You may be asked for proof of disability.

**Tel:** 0118 324 8884

**Email:** jumpreading@redkangaroo.co.uk

**Web:** redkangaroo.co.uk/parks/reading/

ChatHealth

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Berkshire Healthcare
Children, Young People and Families services

# Do you have a 5-19 year old?

**We can offer advice and support on many topics like:**

- ✔ Sleep
- ✔ Behaviour
- ✔ Bullying
- ✔ Parenting
- ✔ Healthy eating
- ✔ Bedwetting
- ✔ Dealing with medical conditions in school
- ✔ Emotional health & wellbeing

## Text a school nurse
for confidential advice and support

## 07312 263194

cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk

We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other health care staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate message back to confirm we have received your text. Texts will only be seen between Mon-Fri 9am-4.30pm. If you need help before you hear back from us contact your GP, nearest walk in centre or dial 111. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps). To prevent the health professional from sending messages to you, text 'STOP' to our number. Messages are charged at your usual rate.