

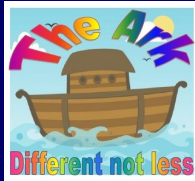
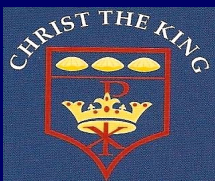


Christ the King Catholic Primary School

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



The Procession for the Feast of Christ the King



**Christ the King Catholic Primary School & Nursery,
with The ARK, A Specialist Resource**

Lulworth Road, Reading RG2 8LX

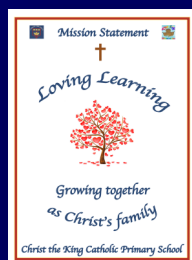
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THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Christ the King Feast day is a day to recognise and honour Jesus Christ as the 'King of Kings.'

The church reminds us of the importance of God and his teachings.

We celebrated today by making crowns and having a procession around the playground before gathering in the hall to say the Christ the King prayer.

The children are invited to come along to the feast day on Sunday the 20th of November at the Church, wearing their crowns and school uniform and taking part in the procession.

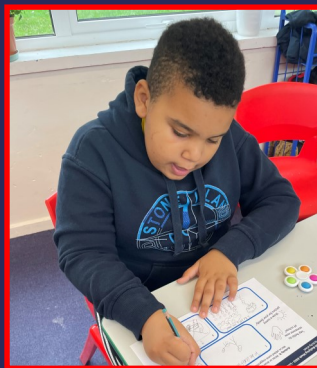


**Today the Children made crowns
in preparation for the Christ the
King procession on Sunday at
Church.**





This week was Anti bullying week. On Monday we wore odd socks. Children in Early years read Elmer and all classes completed activities around anti bullying.





Christ the King Catholic Primary School

OPEN DAY VISITS

Reception Starters

September 2023

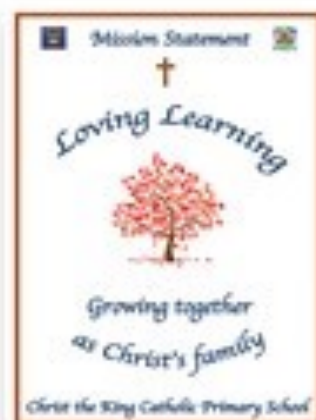
Wednesday 16th November at 9:30am

Thursday 24th November at 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 DISCO
16TH DECEMBER

15.30 to 16.30pm

Early Years and Key Stage 1 £1.50

17.00 to 18.30pm

Key Stage 2 £2.00

Pay on the day

A selection of Crisps and drinks will be available to purchase and mixed sweet bags £1.

KS1 will have non school uniform that day so they are already dressed for their disco.

Children ONLY, no adults
Further information to follow

Coffee Afternoon
22nd November 2022
At 2pm

**This is the launch of our coffee afternoons. These will now be on a monthly basis, with guest speakers from outside agencies attending such as CaMHS & Jenna Redmond an ASD advisor, etc
Everyone's invited and it would be lovely to see you there.**



Gospel

Luke 23: 35-43

And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this man hath done no evil.

And he said to Jesus: Lord, remember me when thou shalt come into thy kingdom.

And Jesus said to him: Amen I say to thee, this day thou shalt be with me in paradise.

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. If you are sending in fruit for your child to have at breaktime, such as grapes, please make sure the fruit is cut up.

Thank you

School Building Fund

Christ The King is a Voluntary Aided School. This means that our funding is slightly different from most other schools locally. In particular, it means that unlike our neighbouring schools we have to pay a set percentage of the cost of any major purchases or building work.

To enable us to do this we ask for a contribution of £10 per child, per term (based on three terms a year) The money we receive is allocated solely for our school's use and helps us to fund future projects which would otherwise not be possible.

The £10 contribution is paid via School Money and this term's contribution is now available for payment.

**The next PTA meeting will be held on
12th December
at 9am, in the Library
Everyone is welcome and it would be great to see
you there to support the PTA.**

**Our PTA are kindly requesting donations of good
condition
School Uniform, Coats, Bags, Football Boots,
Shoes and
Christmas Jumpers.**

**9th December - Non Uniform day for Presents for
Parents**

**16th December - School Disco
Early years and KS1 3.30pm
KS2 5pm**

**The events held by the PTA will be advertised in
the weekly newsletter so please check weekly and
if you are available to help at any of them please let
the PTA know.**

Thank you

Next year's term dates (2022-2023)

Autumn Term

20th December 2022 – End of Term, School closes at 1:30

Spring Term

4th January 2023 – INSET Day – School Closed

5th January 2023 - Start of School Term

13th – 17th February 2023 – Half Term – School Closed

31st March 2023 – End of Term, School closes at 1:30

Summer Term

17th April 2023 – INSET Day – School Closed

18th April 2023 – Start of School Term

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

Stars of the week

Miss Scott: Gabrielle & David

Miss Cowen: Gurshat & Stasiu

Mrs Beukes: Kian & Rion

Miss Harris: Logan & Caleb

Mrs Tumelty: Ewa & Zach

Miss Nasrallah: Kyla & Alba

Mr Cosgrove: Lilly & Bella-May

Mrs Gooch: Fatima & Yasmin

Mrs Casey: Emmanuel & Lennette

Miss Pearce: Ewan, Blaike, Charlie

Mrs Bloom: Leo, Bethel, Maisy & Charisa

Ark: Atiksh

Maths Ninjas

Shodan: Kaylon

Sandan: Alex, Rhys & Ida

Yondan: Emma

Godan: Anton

Rokudan: Violet

-Shichidan: Samaria & Harvey

Kudan: Tim

Christ the King Church

First Holy Communion Programme & Appeal



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

If you would like your child to join the First Holy Communion programme please email: ctk@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or text to 07309044446 and register your interest with your child's name and date of birth. Please make it for the attention of Angela Camilleri. You will be sent the relevant documentation for you to complete and return to the above email address or bring it to the sacristy after Mass. Any other information on meetings etc will be sent to you after your child has been enrolled onto the programme.



DONATION FOR CHURCH SCREENS PROJECTION & NEW AND IMPROVED SOUND SYSTEM

We appeal to all parishioners to consider donating for our Parish project to enable the installation of 2 Big Screen Projections, and new and improved sound system.

The average estimate of the two items is £20,000. Donations can be made to the Parish, different ways to donate include cash and cheque, in an envelope, by direct debit or as online donation. Please specify (screen and sound system donation) regardless of your preferred way to pay.



THE PARISH CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS CONTINUES.

We thank those who have responded. We still need much more. Signup forms are at the entrance of the church. Details are in the newsletter. Please, kindly respond.

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.

Break time snacks

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

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.

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

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

Open Day

24th November 5pm

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Coffee Afternoon

22nd November 2022 at 2pm

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25th November 2022

Panto

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9th December 2022

Non-uniform for Presents for Parents

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12th December 2022

PTA Meeting

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16th December 2022

School Disco

Early years and KS1 3.30

KS2 5pm

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Christmas Holiday SEND Short Breaks – December 2022



With funding from Brighter Futures for Children (BFfC)

Christmas Holiday SEND Short Breaks @ Reading FC - Play Course - 21st / 22nd December 10:00 - 13:00

The SEND play camps are for young children aged 5 - 7 years with a disability. The camps will run from The Avenue School from 10am - 1pm.

The camps have experienced play staff with a background in working with young children with disabilities.

On the camps the children will experience the following:

Messy Play, Soft Play, Outdoor Sensory Play

At this point in time the play camp cannot accept the following disabilities/medical conditions:

Epilepsy, Asthma or Peg Fed

[Christmas Holiday SEND Short Breaks - Play Course - 21st / 22nd December 10:00 - 13:00 | Reading Services Guide](#)



Contact - Daniel Rook Disability & EDI lead

Tel: 0118 907 2160 E: drook@readingfc.co.uk

<https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/readingfc/>

Christmas Holiday SEND Short Breaks - Reading FC SEND Multisport Camp - The Avenue School (8 to 18 years)

Our SEND camps provide a space where children with SEND can come and play sports/games in a safe and fun learning environment. The camps take place at the Avenue School Special School in Reading which has its own car park and is fully accessible. The camps are staffed by fully qualified sport staff that have experience in disability sport we work alongside a support staff team that can deal with personal care needs.

The camps are running on the **21st/22nd/23rd of December from 10:30 till 14:00** and will include a whole host of sports and fun games including specialist sports such as:

Boccia, Kurling, Basketball, Multi skills games

On this camp we will also be joined by a specialist disability rugby coach that will put on taster sessions for wheelchair rugby.

Please note we cannot accept the following conditions:

Epilepsy or Peg Feeding

[Christmas Holiday SEND Short Breaks - Reading FC SEND Multisport Camp - The Avenue School \(8 to 18 years\) | Reading Services Guide](#)

Christmas Holiday SEND Short Breaks with Reading Play



SEND Holiday Short Breaks 21st December

Session one 10am-1pm 5-7 year olds

Low ropes, Art and crafts, Bird box making, Soft archery, Mini golf

Session two 2pm to 5pm - Age 8 to 12 years

Climbing wall, Archery, Mini golf, Fire pit and marshmallow making, Dodgeball

Ranger Station, Prospect Park, Liebenrood Road, Reading RG30 2ND

Bookings open now: <https://readingplay.kidsclubhq.co.uk/login>

[SEND Short Breaks with Reading Play at Prospect Park | Reading Services Guide](#)

SEND Short Break @ The Cressingham LEGO CLUB



Next session Sunday 4th December 10am-1pm

The LEGO club will meet on one Sunday a month at The Cressingham Short Break Centre. Spaces will be limited to eight young people per session, aged between 8 – 18 years old. 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](#)

Email: Cressingham@brighterfuturesforchildren.org Tel: 0118 937 4201 Further information including how to book can be found here [The Cressingham LEGO CLUB | Reading Services](#)

[Guide](#)

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



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.

Dates: Sunday 11th and 18th December 2022

Reading Residents - Session are partial funded by Brighter Futures for Children.

If your child requires 1:1 you must contact Vicky before booking

Contact Victoria Tel: 07736 343570 sendanceclub@hotmail.com

<http://sendanceclub.co.uk/index.html>

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

Christmas Holiday SEND Short Breaks – Make Sense Theatre

MLD/SLD aged 12-25EN

Wednesday 21st and Friday 23rd December

9.30am-12.30pm

For neurodivergent teenagers/young adults who want to play creative and fun games, make friends and work as a team. We will explore drama in an engaging and accessible way whilst also providing challenge to those young people who have previous experience. The young people attending this session won't require 1:1 support and will be comfortable in a busy and lively environment.

PMLD/PASD aged 7-19

Wednesday 21st, Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd December

1pm-4pm

For young people with profound autism and/or multiple and complex needs, who would enjoy a sensory, creative experience. This group will be staffed so that each attendee will have a trained 1:1 to help them engage. We incorporate different strands of creative sensory exploration to this group including our current 7Sense show, a visiting musician, sensory art and music and movement. Soft lighting, calming music and break out space will help to regulate attendees.

Wednesday 21st, Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd December

9.30am-12.30pm

MLD/Sensory aged 5-12

Thursday 22nd December

9.30am-12.30pm

For children 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 role play, drama games, music and song. The attendees of this group may require 1:1 support in order to engage with the activities, which we will cater for.

Costs per session

HAF - Free (and includes lunch)

Short Breaks - £10

Out of borough/over 18s - £18

Our sessions are staffed by highly experienced, trained SEN professionals. We cater for medical and personal care needs. Please contact rosie@makesensetheatre.com to book a place, to ask questions regarding a specific need or if you are unsure of which session is best for your young person. [SEND Christmas Holiday SEND Short Breaks - Make/Sense Theatre | Reading Services Guide](#)

Reading Football Club's 2nd School and Grassroots Fixtures of 2022-23!

You have been invited to Reading Football Club's 2nd School and Grassroots fixture of 2022-23!

When?

Reading vs Coventry City
Saturday 10th December, 3pm

Where?

Select Car Leasing Stadium

How to qualify for the discount and confirm your attendance?

Thank you for being part of our first School and Grassroots fixture of the season when we hosted Huddersfield Town on Saturday 1st October.

Over 5,000 tickets were sold for local children, parents, teachers and coaches. As our manager Paul Ince said after the match: "We won't always win games. But I hope these kids keep coming again and again and that we see them here again for the years to come!"

With that in mind, we would be delighted if you could join us for our 2nd schools and grassroots fixture of 2022-23. And as part of our special invitation, we would like to offer the below discounted prices:

12 and Under: £1

17 and Under: £3

18 to 24: £5

25 and over: £5

Adult: £10

To redeem, please visit <https://ticketing.readingfc.co.uk> and enter the following unique coupon code: **#ChristTheKingCatholicPrimary** in the basket once you have logged in and selected your tickets.

How many tickets can we purchase?

There is no limit on the number of tickets you can buy using your unique code. And, for every ticket which is purchased you will receive one entry in a prize draw for a chance to win a series of 'money can't buy experience' prizes!

Important! This offer applies to tickets in the Eamonn Dolan Stand blocks and Y19/Y20 of the Sir John Madejski Stand. Coupon codes are valid up until 4 hours before kick-off and availability is limited, so please act quickly to avoid disappointment.

If you have any questions about this offer, please email sales@readingfc.co.uk or call 0118 968 1313.

Cost of living vouchers for families

Reading Borough Council will be issuing Cost of Living vouchers worth £125 to around 3,800 families with children eligible for pupil premium free schools meals and/or vulnerable children up to nursery age. The vouchers will be distributed before Christmas to help families with rising food prices and energy bills. It is part of a package of financial help being offered to individuals and families in need from the government's Household Support Fund. Find [more details about the scheme](#) on the RBC news website.

Reading
Families'
Forum



Preparation for Adulthood for Young People with Additional Needs Information and Fun Day

Sat 19th November 2:30 to 5 pm

For parent carers and young people aged 12 plus.
Find out what options and support are available
when young people with additional needs leave
school and college.

**Enjoy fun activities - temp tatoos, hair braiding and
reptiles. Refreshments served by the school**

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



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FAMILY Information Service Reading



**Free, impartial
information for Reading
families with children up
to 19-years-old***

(*or 25-years-old with special
educational needs and
disabilities - SEND)

Find out about

- Childcare
- Early education and childcare funding for 2, 3 and 4-year-olds including the new 30 hour funding
- Children's centres
- Special educational needs and disabilities - SEND Local Offer
- Support groups
- Things to do and what's on locally



Email: fis@reading.gov.uk

Call: 0118 937 3777, option 2 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm)

/readingfis

www.readingfis.org

Is your child 3 or 4-years-old?

Primary school place – you must apply now

If your child was born on or between **1 September 2018** and **31 August 2019**, you need to apply for a primary school place now.

You must still apply even if your child already attends the nursery attached to your preferred school.

Deadline for applications is **15 January 2023**.

Apply online at

www.brighterfuturesforchildren.org/primary
(or scan the QR code)

It's quick, easy and secure.



For help and information:

Web: www.brighterfuturesforchildren.org/school-admissions

Email: Admissions@brighterfuturesforchildren.org

Tel: 0118 937 3777



Have you booked your child's 2 year health review?

When your child is 2 years old, you'll be contacted about their health and developmental review with our Health Visiting Team.

We'll talk about your child's progress and answer any questions or concerns you might have. Here are some top tips for how you can help with their development.

Decision making:

- Give choices of what to wear each day
- Give choices at snack times or mealtimes

Thinking and doing:

- Teach your child sizes by building big and little towers
- Go on a treasure hunt looking for items of different colours, textures and shapes
- Large empty cardboard boxes have endless uses: turn them into car or a playhouse

Fine motor skills:

- Have fun at bath time with sponges and plastic bottles squeezing and pouring
- String a necklace using old shoelaces and painted pasta tubes, buttons, or Cheerios
- Draw lines, zig zags and spirals together and take turns in copying each other's patterns

Feelings and emotions:

- Make happy or sad faces
- Make silly faces and in front of a mirror together
- Encourage pretend play; have a teddy bear's picnic or birthday party



If you don't hear from us within 3 months of expecting either age review, please call us 0118 9312111

cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/health-visiting



Brighter
Futures for
Children

Group PPP

Positive parenting programme

 18 January - 22 March 2023

 9.30-11.30am

 Civic Centre, 19 Bridge St, Reading RG1 2LU

★ Is your child aged 4-11 years old?

★ Do you want to support your child when they show distressing behaviour?

★ Do you need support to help your child self-regulate?

Join our evidence-based flexible parenting programme.

The group aims to strengthen the relationship between you and your child. It will help you to understand your child's development and equip you with strategies to support them.

The programme is delivered in nine, two-hour weekly group sessions on Wednesdays, term-time only.

To enquire or book your place, please contact:

parenting.reading@brighterfuturesforchildren.org

07812 462799





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Living with Autism

Parenting programme

 23 February - 30 March 2023

 10am-12.30pm

 Online, via Teams

-  Has your child been diagnosed with autism spectrum condition?
-  Do you want a better understanding of how this may affect your child?
-  Do you want to learn skills and tools to help them?

Join our six-week, term-time programme for parents and carers.

This course will give you an understanding of ASC, sharing effective strategies to use at home to support your child. Throughout the course, you will learn about social interaction, communication, and sensory needs of your child. This course will be held on Thursdays.

To enquire or book your place, please contact:

parenting.reading@brighterfuturesforchildren.org

07812 462799



Local Information

Rainbow Trust

Reading families caring for a child with a life-threatening or terminal illness are now able to access more support thanks to a new service opened in the area this year by Rainbow Trust Children's Charity.

Rainbow Trust provides vital support to families who have a child with a life-threatening illness who face the very real possibility that their child might die

Many struggle to cope on a daily basis and Rainbow Trust Family Support Workers provide a much-needed lifeline to these families to enable them to make the most of their time together, offering them emotional and practical support for as long as it is needed.

Rainbow Trust has eight existing care teams across the country and this is the first time the charity has had a permanent presence in Reading.

It is getting one step closer to realising the vision that every family in the UK who has a

RAINBOW TRUST

SUPPORTING FAMILIES WITH A SERIOUSLY ILL CHILD

child with a life-threatening illness has access to the support they need.

With recent research (Make Every Child Count study, University of York, 2020) on the prevalence of childhood illness indicating that there are potentially 1,493 families caring for a child with a life-limiting illness in and around Reading, this is a welcome addition to the support provided to Reading families coping with a seriously ill child.

For further information or to make a donation, please visit www.rainbowtrust.org.uk.

Rainbow Trust Children's Charity supports families who have a child with a life-threatening or terminal illness.

What we do



Why we help

There are an estimated 88,625 children in England with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions. Thousands of families have to face the very real possibility that their child may die and struggle to cope on a day to day basis.

[FIND OUT MORE](#)



How Rainbow Trust helps

Rainbow Trust pairs each family with an expert Family Support Worker, giving them practical and emotional support. We support the whole family including parents, carers, the unwell child, brothers, sisters and grandparents.

[FIND OUT MORE](#)



Get involved

By supporting us, you are helping us support families who have a child aged 0-16 years with a life-threatening or terminal illness.

[DONATE NOW](#)