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Got Your Number?

The weather has turned much colder in the last few days, and the weather forecasters are promising snow. It is several years since we had to close the school due to severe weather. The last time was 2010 when it snowed heavily and many staff were unable to travel to work. If the worst happens, and we do have to close at short notice we will let you know through our text messaging service. So please, if you have changed your number [make sure we have the new one.](#)



Viking Day

Mrs. Gooch's class celebrated a fearsome Viking day on Thursday this week, to round off their history topic. (picture) See more fantastic pictures on their blog at www.ckreading.net.

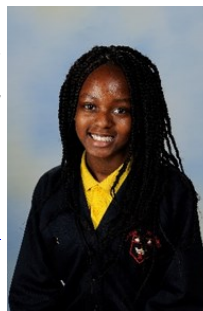


PTA Disco

Thank you to the PTA for organising and supervising the pupil discos last week. The children had a lot of fun and £234 profit was made for PTA funds. (All money raised for and by the PTA is used for the benefit of our children).

Blog of the Week

Blog of the Week was held over from last week and was Nursery, for showcasing fantastic learning, and particularly the parents' story time session. During the week Nursery posted some brilliant videos and photographs. Individual blogger of the week was Jamiellyn Wood who posted the text of her speeches for the school council elections and for the WEC public speaking contest..



This week's Blog of the Week is Mrs. Gooch's class – not only for the wonderful pictures of their Viking Day (see left) but also for some wonderful individual entries.

[Don't forget to visit the blogs!](#)



Staff News

Mrs Kassam starts her maternity leave at the end of this term. We wish her and her family every blessing at this happy time and we look forward to seeing her back with us in due course. To cover her absence Mrs Cosgrove, an experienced primary teacher who was until last Easter the head teacher of another local school, will be taking her class.



Parental Survey

Thank you to all those who filled in our parental questionnaire. We have analysed the results and are pleased at the high levels of satisfaction with the school. 90% agree or strongly agree that school staff understand the needs of their children; the same proportion do not worry while their children are at school. Read the full results at www.christthekingreading.co.uk under Parents.



We started our week in Lithuanian

"Labas Rytas"

Advent Charity

Our Advent charity this year is Save The Children. Once again we are celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on December 15th and we will be taking collections for the same cause after all the Christmas performances. Last year we raised the magnificent sum of £710. It would be great to do even better this year.



CHC Concert Advertising

Next year we will have a glossy, professionally-designed programme for audience members and participants, and are looking for advertisers and sponsors. If you own a business, or would like to put in a personal message, we would love to hear from you.

Bronze (logo on the poster) £10, Silver (1/2 page advert + logo) £30, Gold (Full page advert + logo) £50, Partner (Advert on back of programme)—one available only, at £70.

Charities and community interest companies: 50% discount.

Contact james@purplehare.space for info.



Breakfast Club

We are now accepting payment online for breakfast club. There is no need to book in advance, but it is much easier for all concerned if the payment is made electronically.

Wed 6th Dec. Advent reconciliation service.
Thu 7th Dec. 2pm. Nativity —Year 2
Fri 8th Dec. 10am. Nativity —Year 2
Mon 11th Dec. 2pm. Christmas Songs —Year 1
Tue 12th Dec. 10am. Christmas Songs —Year 1
Wed 13th Dec. 10am. Nativity —Reception 2pm. KS2 Christmas Play in the church
Thu 14th Dec. 2pm. Nativity —Reception 6pm. KS2 Christmas Play in the church
Fri 15th Dec. All day. Wear a Christmas Jumper day.
Mon 18th Dec. 11am & 2pm. Christmas Performances —Nursery
Tue 19th Dec. 1.30pm. End of Term.

Christmas Toy Collection

Thank you again for your generosity. Santa borrowed some Christmas Elves from Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School and the toys were collected this morning (Friday).



NO NUTS! Some of our children have serious allergies.

Congratulations!

Mrs Blanchard and the staff in our kitchen who gained the very highest 5 star rating after a spot check carried out by Environmental Health.

Our Junior school footballers who have competed in two inter-school competitions, for Year 3/4 and Year 5/6. We reached the semi-finals in both.

Jay Monteiro who has been awarded his 15 metre certificate for swimming.



Solomon Banduka who plays for Eldon Celtic FC and was recently voted man of the year!



Leo Francis who has gained his yellow belt for karate.

