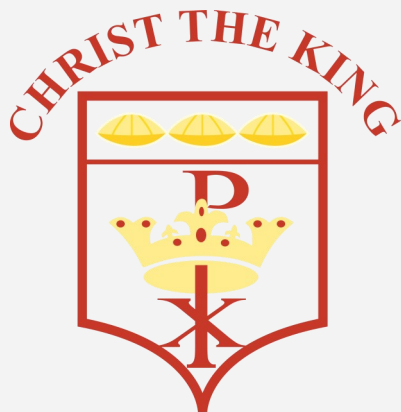




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Vacancy

We have advertised for a teacher to replace Mrs Kassam when she goes on maternity leave. Full details are on our website at:

www.christthekingreading.co.uk/staff-vacancies/



Advertising

Would you like to advertise in the newsletter? Please [contact us](#) for details.



Thank You

For £184 raised by our cake sale last week for Macmillan Nurses. Thank you also to Mrs Clarke for organising the sale and to all those parents and children who brought in and sent in cakes.



Blogger of the Week



Nursery's blog continues to keep us up to date with the children's activities. This week they have been learning about colours and learning Baa, Baa, Black Sheep and there are some great posts from Mrs Holmes, Mr Krasnopolski and Mr Cosgrove's classes, but this week's Blog of the Week has to be Mrs Kassam's class where there are some wonderful descriptions of settings. Magical, lyrical, scary and atmospheric the writing uses some fabulous language, with rich vocabulary, great similes and glorious turns of phrase. It is all worth reading, and this week's individual blogger of the week is Leroy Hames.



**NO
NUTS!**

Some of our
children are
extremely allergic.

1 in 2,000,000!

The Chain Reaction

Research shows that practising reading – and getting better at it – is great for boosting children's self-esteem their confidence and their ability to manage their own feelings.

The more children read, the better their vocabulary and the better they can communicate with other children, teachers, and parents. Children who can express themselves in words are more likely to have a strong self-image and to be more confident. They are also much more likely to try and formulate their thoughts without becoming angry or moody.

Children who can manage their feelings, children who are more confident and have a good self-belief, go on to do better in their school work. It's a chain reaction. The better children do the better they feel, and the better they feel the better they do.



Important Reminders

Halt Term is from Monday 23rd October.

Please make sure that all personal items belonging to children, including all items of clothing are named. This is a real help to us – and should also mean that fewer things get lost!

At the end of the day we ask parents to wait behind the cones or the planting boxes until your children are sent to you. This is safer for all. If adults mix with children in the lines it is much more difficult to keep track of the children. Your co-operation with this is greatly appreciated



Fortnight at-a-Glance

Mon 9th Oct. All day. **School closed**—INSET.

Thu 12th Oct. All day. **Aspire day**. Children invited to dress up as what they want to be when they grow up. Donations in aid of Aspire2 invited.

Fri 13th Oct. All day. **ARK closed**—INSET.

When Things Go Wrong

We are proud of our school, our children and our staff, but nothing is ever perfect and things do sometimes go wrong. If you are worried about your child's safety, happiness, progress or any other aspect of his or her school experience,

Please DO...

- Calmly raise the matter first with the class teacher. Most times your child's teacher will be able to solve the problem.
- If you feel your question has not been dealt with properly please speak to Mr Cosgrove, Miss Hatton or Mrs Flynn.
- If the matter is still not dealt with to your satisfaction please contact the chair of Governors Vicky Hummel through the school office.
- You also have the option of making a complaint to Reading Borough Council or the Diocese of

Portsmouth. Contact details for these may be obtained from the school office (or found online).

Please DO NOT...

- Approach another parent or approach a member of staff in anger to "sort out" a problem that has arisen in school. This very often makes things much worse.
- Use Facebook or other social media to complain about the school, members of staff, pupils or parents. This never helps and could be illegal.
- Speak in anger to any member of the support staff or the lunchtime staff who you think has upset or unfairly treated your child. Our non-teaching staff work very hard and do a super job. They work under the direction of the teachers, and if you have an issue with one of them this must be addressed through the teachers or Mr Cosgrove.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR
HARVEST GIFTS THIS
MORNING



Congratulations!



Tia Ashok who has now completed Reading libraries **Little Explorers** challenge, visiting the library 60 times in all.



Lua Selas who took part in the Memory Walk challenge, walking 2 kilometres to raise money for charity.

Dear Marcus,

My goodness me, what a fantastic letter you sent me! It wins Longest Fan Letter I've Ever Received!

Marcus Gray enjoyed reading *Electrigrail* by Jo Cotterill so much that he decided to write to the author and tell her. In reply he got a lovely, long and interesting letter handwritten by Jo herself.



4. Superpowers definitely are fun... our be kind of fun to test that theory, don't you
Best wishes
Jo Cotterill

