

CHRIST THE KING

CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Please join us

This Sunday, 10.00 a.m.

at

The Church of Christ the King

Please join us at Mass on Sunday morning and help us to enjoy our special Feast Day as we celebrate the fact that

Jesus is our King and the King of all the World. Many of the children have made crowns and flags in class and everyone — child and adult — is invited to wear national costume, or something representing their own cultural identity. It would be great if the children could wear their crowns on Sunday morning and bring their flags: at the end of Mass we will have a short procession



INTERNATIONAL MEAL After Mass on Sunday we have the annual shared international meal in the church hall—you are all very welcome—please bring something to share.

Madzuka Buanji



We started our week in Chichewa and finished our week in Chinese

Ni Hao



Diary Dates

Sunday 22nd. Feast of Christ the King
Parents and children are warmly invited to join us at the 10.00 a.m. Mass in the church of Christ the King

Tues 24th. Choir at The Hexagon
Please note this is not the date previously given.

Fri 27th. Mass for Miss Clarke and Mr Krasnopski's classes

December

Friday 4th. Non uniform Day (presents for parents) Pantomime—Cinderella—for the whole school. Pupil discos after school (details later)

Weds 16th. Christmas Lunch

Thurs 17th. 10.15 end of term Mass for the whole school

Friday 18th. Wear a Christmas Jumper for Save the Children

Friday 18th. School closes for Christmas at 1.30 p.m.

Christmas Performances

Nursery:

16th. December 11 a.m. (morning group)
2 p.m. (afternoon)

Reception

8th. December 2 p.m. 9th. December 10 a.m.

Year 1

14th December 2 p.m. 15th. December 10 a.m.

Year 2

10th. December 2 p.m. 11th. December 10 a.m.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 *in the church*

9th. December 2 p.m. 10th. December 7 p.m.

Please remember—no nuts in school: we have several children with severe allergies to nuts.

"I come to bring you life; life in all its fullness."

John 10:10

PARIS

On Monday at 11.00 a.m. we joined the rest of Europe in a minute's silence to pray for and remember the victims of the dreadful event in Paris last week.

There has been a lot of comment in the press and on social media about what happened and why. There is still much to find out about what went on, but some things are certain.

There is a civil war in Syria which has left millions of people as homeless refugees. We have collected money in school to help the refugees and have remembered them in our prayers. Now some of the same bullies who have driven these refugees out of their own country have committed a terrible atrocity in Paris.

Some of our children have heard things on the news which they have obviously not understood properly, and have come into school with some very confused ideas. Some of our children have been worried that

there might be a bomb in Reading, and we have had to explain to others that these horrible actions were not carried out in the name of any religious or ethnic group.

We have in our school pupils from all over the World and members of many different religious groups. We are proud of the richness of our diversity and the energy and vibrancy that this brings us. We are particularly proud that our community gets on so well together, with friendships crossing boundaries of race and religion, and that you always respond so generously to those in need, like the refugees. It would be awful if events hundreds of miles away were allowed to spoil our warm, welcoming, generous and harmonious community.

Could we ask parents, please, to reassure their children that they are not in danger, and that those who carried out the atrocities in Paris were not refugees (all of them seem to have been French or Belgian citizens), are not connected with anyone in Reading and do not represent any religious group?

Thank you Specsavers

Specsavers in Newbury are helping to keep children safe by handing our high-visibility vests to their customers, and they have kindly donated a set of vests to our school for use on school trips. The donation was arranged through Lennon Curtis' gran who works at Specsavers in Newbury, so we are very grateful to her.



The best of this week's Blogs...

There is fantastic, high quality writing on Mrs Gooch's class blog this week, with some super new versions of the story "Pumpkin Soup" from Jessica, Kenzo and Anna, and a fabulous description of a firework display by Arienna. Well done to all of Mrs Gooch's class.



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