



# CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC PRIMARY



WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – Friday 13th December 2024

## YEAR 5 - CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME

This week, Year 5 have performed their Christmas production of Snow White to their families.

The children were amazing and showcased their fantastic singing, acting and dancing skills as well as their comedic talents.

On Monday, Year 5 also performed to the Parish community group. They were blown away by how professional the children's performance was. It was a real treat for members of the Parish to see the children perform, especially at Christmas time.



Thanks to everyone that attend the performances this week.

## SCHOOL MASS

Children will attend Mass on **Tuesday 14th January 2025.**

This will be led by children in Year 3 & 4



## SUNDAY MASS



**Sunday 12th January - 9am Mass**  
**Readings led by children in Year 6**

Children in Years 3 – 6 are welcome to join staff in the choir loft.  
Children in Reception – Year 2 are welcome to participate in children's liturgy

## OUR MISSION THIS WEEK

**THE MISSION**  
PREPARE THE WAY

Follow the example of St John the Baptist and find a quiet place to listen to the voice of God. When you are there, spend some of your time asking God if he has a message about his love for another person. He could give you a person's name he wants you to especially share his love with. You could even tell them how much God loves them.

## CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR

We would like to invite children in year 3 – 6 who will be attending the 4pm church service on Christmas Eve with their families to join Miss Riach and Mrs Ball in the choir loft.

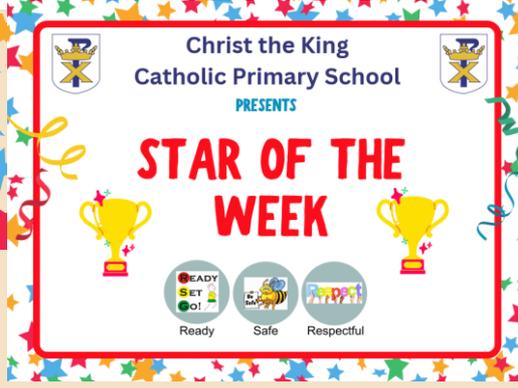
This would be a wonderful opportunity to spread Christmas cheer and join their friends on the night before Christmas.

## THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone that donated toiletries towards the Father Hudson appeal and a donation for Christmas jumper day which supports the charity, Save the children. You have not donated yet and you would like to, please click on the link here.

[https://www.justgiving.com/page/christ-the-king-school-coventry-1732706271293?utm\\_medium=fundraising&utm\\_content=page%2Fchrist-the-king-school-coventry-1732706271293&utm\\_source=copyLink&utm\\_campaign=pfp-share](https://www.justgiving.com/page/christ-the-king-school-coventry-1732706271293?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fchrist-the-king-school-coventry-1732706271293&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share)





## Well done to the Stars of the week

Class 1	Elijah Willow
Class 2	Harrison Orla
Class 3	Tommy Joseph F
Class 4	Louie
Class 5	Allie Gabriel
Class 6	Charlie Blyth

## Well done to the Stars of the week

Class 7	Arthur Adesewa
Class 8	Pearl Derry
Class 9	Whole class 😊
Class 10	Henson Dotty
Class 11	Daisy Harriet
Class 12	Jude Noah
Class 13	Orla-Mai Bella
Class 14	Bridget Elodie Joe





Last Saturday, Lucie (class 1) and Darcie (class 2) performed in 'The Lazy Elf' with the Pauline Quirke Academy. This was Lucie and Darcie's first Christmas show. They both performed like true stars and showed great confidence on stage. Well done Lucie and Darcie, we are very proud of you!



Well done to Elliot (class 9) who for the 4th year has saved his pennies to buy selection boxes for children in need this Christmas. This year, Bridget (Nursery) has helped too.

Elliot and Bridget have managed to buy 30 selection boxes that have been donated to the church for distribution.

Well done Elliot and Bridget, we are so thankful of the kindness you have shown towards others. We are very proud that you have shown an understanding that Christmas is about giving and not just receiving.



Over the last two weeks Year 1 and Year 2 performed a Christmas Dance show with Ricky Dance. Thanks to all the families that were able to come and support.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ...

Omotunmise F

Billy-John O

Harrison H

Shahzaib G

Joshua G

Emily P

Teddy I





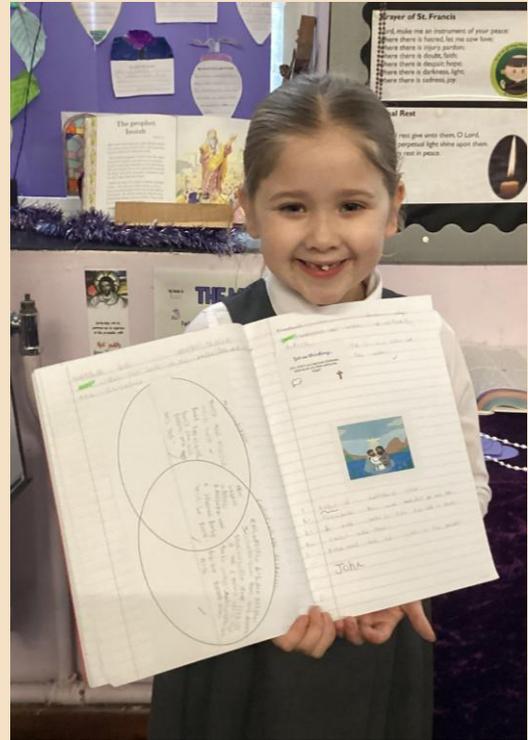
Check out our RE 'piece of the week' from each key stage!

## NURSERY

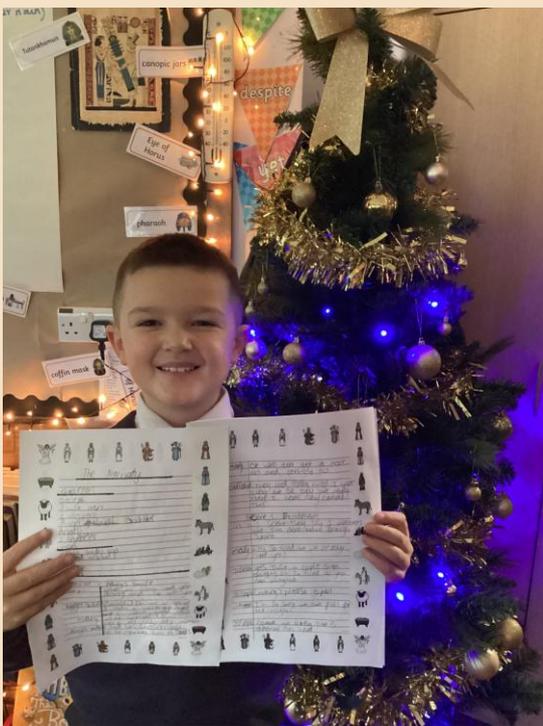


Nursery enjoyed Christmas jumper day. They have donated toiletries to help others - thank you to all our families for your kindness.

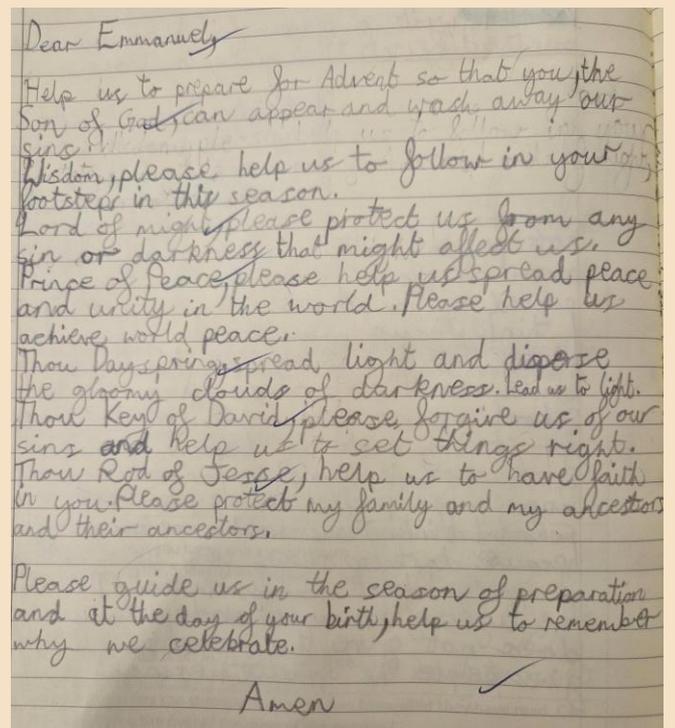
## KS1 - CLASS 6 - BLYTHE



## LKS2 - CLASS 10 - HARRY



## UKS2 - CLASS 14 - ELISA





The football team had a busy week this week! On Tuesday the team completed in the EFL Kids cup hosted by Sky Blues in the Community. On Thursday the team played a fantastic match against Our Lady of the Assumption in the Catholic Schools League. Well done, team!





## Maths at CTK!

### TIMES TABLE ROCK STARS (TTRS) MOST IMPROVED PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

These children now have a trophy which they can proudly display on their desk for the week!

- Class 7 – Louie
- Class 8 – Esme
- Class 9 – Charlie

- Class 10 – Harry
- Class 12 – Ruairi
- Class 13 – Katie
- Class 14 - Ruby



Congratulations to:

**Class 1**  
43% of pupils in the green zone!



### DOODLE MATHS MOST STARS EARNED THIS WEEK



- Class 1 – Kayden
- Class 2 – Bonnie
- Class 3 – Darci



- Class 4 – Rory
- Class 5 – Daniel
- Class 6 – Henry





### December

**Wednesday 18th December** – Christmas Dinner Day

**Thursday 19th December** – Carol Service Concert in church ( Reception – Year 6) @ 6pm



Please note that children in Reception to Year 6 are to arrive at church at 5:45pm ready for the service to begin at 6pm.

All children are to wear their school uniform – a white shirt and the CTK school tie. Thank you

### IT'S SHOWTIME

CTK PERFORMANCE PLANNER 2023-24

Who?	What?	When?
Year 2	Dance Show	Thursday 5th December 2024 At 2:15pm WHR site
Year 5	Christmas Pantomime	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December at 1:45pm Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December at 9am
Year 1	Dance Show	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2024 At 2:15pm WHR site
Nursery and Reception	Christmas Nativity	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December at 2pm Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December at 9:15am

### Class Assemblies

Who?	When?	Where?
Class 9	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November at 9am	Scots Lane Site
Class 10	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November at 2:30pm	Scots Lane Site

### January

**Wednesday 15th January** – PCSO Training for selected Year 5 students

**Wednesday 15th January** – Year 6 Confirmation Parent Information session in church at 6pm

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January** – Year 6 Commitment Mass in church at 9am

### Forest School and Enrichment Day Planner

Autumn Term 2024

Please note – dates may be subject to change

When?	Who?
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Class 14
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	HCCMAC Feast Day
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Class 13
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Class 12
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Class 11
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Class 10
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Class 9
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Class 5 and Class 6
<b>HALF TERM</b>	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Individual and Sibling Photo Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Teacher Training Day
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2024	Class 7
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Advent Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Class 8
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Class 3 and Class 4
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Last Day of Term
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAY</b>	





# CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Term Dates 2024 – 2025

Autumn Term 1	Monday 2 September 2024 – Friday 25 October 2024	8 Weeks
Autumn Term 2	Monday 4 November 2024 – Friday 20 December 2024	7 Weeks
Spring 1	Monday 6 January 2025 – Friday 14 February 2025	6 Weeks
Spring 2	Monday 24 February 2025 – Friday 11 April 2025	7 Weeks
Summer Term 1	Monday 28 April 2025 – Friday 23 May 2025	4 Weeks
Summer Term 2	Monday 2 June 2025 – Friday 18 July 2025	7 Weeks

## School will be closed to all pupils on the following INSET Days

Monday 2 September 2024

Friday 15 November 2024

**Monday 6 January 2025**

Friday 27 June 2025

**Summer Holidays 2025**

To begin on Friday 18 July 2025

Please note that After School Club will be closed from 3:15pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. It will be open on the morning of Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December for children to attend before school.

## WINTER UNIFORM

All children **MUST** wear the CTK winter uniform from Autumn term 2 – Spring Term 2. **Nursery children** – jumper/ cardigan with the school logo

### Reception – Year 6 children

Plain white shirt  
CTK School Tie

Charcoal/ Black trousers or skirt ( no shorter than just above the knee)

A pair of grey / white socks or navy blue/ grey tights.

A pair of sensible black school shoes, not boots, shoes with heels or trainers ( unless it is PE day)

If your child comes to school wearing the incorrect uniform, then you will receive a uniform reminder via email.

We expect all parents to support the school by following the uniform policy set.

Thank you

## SAFEGUARDING AT CTK

### 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators SAFETY OVER THE FESTIVE SEASON

The holiday season, marked by Christmas and New Year, brings joy and togetherness but also presents unique safety challenges for children, families and educators. From busy holiday shopping, travelling and family gatherings to managing digital activity during school breaks, staying safe during this period requires heightened awareness. This guide offers practical tips to help families and educators maintain a more secure and fulfilling festive period.

- MONITOR DIGITAL ACTIVITY**  
Children spend more time online during school holidays, increasing exposure to potential dangers such as cyberbullying, inappropriate content and online predators. Beforehand, research and block harmful websites and encourage children engage positively online. Use parental controls to manage content, set clear boundaries, encourage open discussions about online safety and use parental controls to manage content exposure and screen time effectively. Regular check-ins and positive reinforcement around digital habits encourage safe online behaviour.
- PRACTICE FIRE SAFETY PROTOCOLS**  
The incidence of house fires increases during Christmas due to greater use of candles, crackers and electrical decorations. Open flames, electrical overloads and the need for quick response plans can make fire safety challenging. Ensure smoke detectors are operational, keep fire extinguishers on hand and teach children how to respond in case of a fire emergency. Avoid leaving cooking unattended and use fire-safe cones to prevent mishaps.
- CREATE TRAVEL SAFETY PLANS**  
More families tend to travel during the holidays, resulting in busier roads, increased traffic accidents and weather-related hazards. Review car routes, road signs, fatigue and busy airports can all compromise travel safety. Pack emergency kits and carriers to roadside kits. Plan routes in advance and allow extra travel time to avoid rushing and mitigate risks on busy roads.
- BEWARE OF ALLERGIES**  
Holiday meals often involve many foods that may contain allergens. Cross contamination, unclear labelling and lack of allergy-friendly options can lead to severe reactions. Communicate any allergy needs to hosts, provide safe food alternatives and carry necessary medications like antihistamines or epinephrine. Teaching children how to advocate for themselves and recognize dangerous foods also contributes to safer celebrations.
- PREVENT THE SPREAD OF ILLNESS**  
Cold weather and seasonal socialising can increase the spread of viruses like flu and COVID-19. Crowded gatherings, schools out of session and frequent travel can lead to higher transmission rates. Emphasize hygiene, encourage vaccination, disinfect surfaces and isolate symptomatic individuals. Communication with children about proper hygiene practices is essential to reduce the spread of illness.
- STAY VIGILANT ON THE ROAD**  
Increased holiday traffic heightens the risk of accidents for both drivers and pedestrians. Distracted driving, pedestrian safety and inclement weather can complicate road safety. Encourage pedestrian safety practices, avoid distracted driving and never drive under the influence.
- MAINTAIN SAFE DECORATIONS**  
Festive decorations such as Christmas lights and candles can pose electrical, fire and choking hazards if misused. Frayed wires, tangled Christmas trees, small ornaments and open flames can be difficult to control, especially in homes shared with children. Inspect and maintain decorations, secure Christmas trees, place fragile or small items out of reach and ensure candles are never left unattended. Testing smoke alarms and using flame-retardant decorations can significantly reduce risks.
- SET BOUNDARIES FOR GIFTS**  
Some toys and gadgets can present choking, sharp-edge or safety risks, particularly for young children. Ensuring that gifts meet safety standards and age-appropriate can be complex with so many options available. Inspect all toys carefully and ensure any recalled items have parental controls. Setting expectations around safe gift use and reviewing packaging that poses a risk also helps to prevent accidents.
- ADDRESS STRESS & FATIGUE**  
Holiday pressures can lead to burnout, which affects both physical and mental health. Overpacked schedules and a lack of downtime can cause stress and fatigue, leading to accidents or poor decision-making. Incorporate rest, maintain regular routines and seek support for holiday stress. Encourage activities that promote relaxation to create a healthier, happier holiday experience for everyone.
- DRINK RESPONSIBLY**  
Alcohol is commonly present at festive events, which concerns about safety and supervision. Excessive alcohol consumption can lead to impaired judgment and lack of proper supervision for children. Promote responsible adults, limit consumption and provide non-alcoholic alternatives for parents. Teaching moderation and modelling responsible behaviour in front of children ensures that celebrations remain positive and secure.

**Meet Our Expert**  
James Wilson is a child health and safety consultant with 10 years of experience in promoting family and community safety. Specialising in risk assessment and preventive strategies, he has worked with educational institutions, public health agencies and community groups to deliver safety education and training.

**#WakeUpWednesday**  
The National College





## ENRICHMENT CLUBS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL



### DIARY DATES FOR AUTUMN TERM 2024

#### Westhill Road Site

Monday 16 December

Tuesday 17 December

Wednesday 18 December

Thursday 19 December

Friday 20 December

#### Scots Lane:

Monday 16 December

3.30pm – 4.15pm **Girls Football Team Training**

3:30pm – 4:30pm – **Multi Sports**(Yr 3, 4 & 5)

Tuesday 17 December

Wednesday 18 December

12:30pm - **Class 11 Swimming**

Thursday 19 December

3.30pm – 4.30pm **Boys Football Match (yr 5&6)**

Friday 20 December





## ATTENDANCE AT CTK

Please be advised that Autumn Term Attendance letters will be sent to parents via email on Monday, 16th December.

These letters reflect the attendance monitoring that has occurred throughout the term.

WHR site		SL site	
Class Name	Weekly Attendance 09/12/2024 – 13/12/2024	Class Name	Weekly Attendance 09/12/2024 – 13/12/2024
Nursery	85.0%	Class 7	85.2%
Class 1	88.9%	Class 8	94.0%
Class 2	92.0%	Class 9	92.7%
Class 3	80.0%	Class 10	87.4%
Class 4	94.5%	Class 11	85.5%
Class 5	92.7%	Class 12	99.0% 
Class 6	90.7%	Class 13	91.9%
		Class 14	92.3%

### Reporting your child's absence

Please can Parents/carers remember to call the school on 02476 335790 **before 9am** if your child is going to be absent and leave a message. You can also e-mail [ctk\\_parentlink@hccmac.co.uk](mailto:ctk_parentlink@hccmac.co.uk) to report an absence.

Reasons such as 'unwell' or 'poorly' are not valid, please explain the symptoms of your child's illness and the reason they cannot attend school.

**Ongoing attendance percentage** At CTK we carefully monitor your child's attendance and punctuality percentage on a daily, weekly and monthly basis to ensure that pupils are attending school **for 95% or more of the time in line with the DfE expectations.**

**Please click on the link below to see you if would qualify from a free travel pass for your child**  
<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/schools-schooling/school-travel-passes/2>





## Coventry HAF Winter Fun - 21 December 2024 – 5 January 2025



# Winter Fun

Free activities and food this Christmas holiday



Book on now so you don't miss out – places will fill up quickly! Visit [www.coventry.gov.uk/haf](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/haf)

Delivered with partners by Coventry City Council and funded by UK Government





## Find out how to support your child with reading and writing

free  
online  
course

Join our free 10-week online course-  
**'English in the Primary School'**

### This course is for

All parents and carers with children in Coventry

### What you'll learn

The phonics, reading, grammar and spelling used in primary schools and how you can help at home

### What we do

- email you a new 30-minute course video each week
- give you digital resources to help your learning
- answer any questions you've got by email

### Where it is

A pre-recorded online course to watch where and when you like

### When it is

Online, from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January for 10 weeks

### How to join

 (the course code is FL24548)

Scan the QR code to enrol

View all Family Learning courses and enrol online at [www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted)

To find out more email [aesloifeskills@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:aesloifeskills@coventry.gov.uk)



'This was great as I work full-time and couldn't go to the daytime classes.'



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## Find out more about supporting your child with primary school maths

free  
online  
course

### Join our free 10-week online course - 'Maths in the Primary School'

#### This course is for

All parents and carers with children in Coventry

#### What you'll learn

The maths words and methods used in primary schools and how you can help at home

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- email you a new 30-minute course video each week
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'I learnt a lot – now it's much easier to help my son with his maths'

#### Where it is

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#### When it is

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#### How to join (the course code is FL24547)

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## Find out more about raising happy, secure and well-behaved children

### Join our free 10-week online course 'Positive Family Foundations'

free online course

#### This course is for

All parents and carers with children aged 0 - 10 in Coventry

#### What you'll learn

How children develop with practical examples to support behaviour, well-being and mental health

#### What we do

- email you a new 30-minute course video each week
- give you digital resources to help your learning
- answer any questions you've got by email

#### Where it is

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#### When it is

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#### How to join (the course code is FL24549)

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