



CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC PRIMARY



WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – Friday 20th December 2024

EYFS NATIVITY

We all had the best start to the week as Nursery and Reception performed their Christmas Nativity, Whoopsie Daisy Angel.

The children put on a beautiful and heartwarming show that truly captured the spirit of the season.

Their hard work, enthusiasm, and wonderful teamwork were evident in every moment, and we are so proud of their effort and achievement.

A big thank you to our EYFS team for their dedication in bringing this special performance to life.



Thank you to the children and their families that came and supported the annual Carol Service on Thursday evening.

This was a wonderful way to end the term, coming together as a school community to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas



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 MARK 10
THE MISSION
JOY IS COMING

St John the Baptist could have tried to be as famous as possible. But, he was happy making way for Jesus so that he was the one people looked to.

Your Mission is to find a chance to let someone else take the attention. This may be by letting another person go first or do the most important job. Doing this helps us to put others first, just like Jesus asks us to do.

OUTSTANDING

<https://www.ctk.hccmac.co.uk/site/data/files/key-information/ofsted-section48/0247CCE917B71FF2252F6C5F6E30A205.pdf>

We are delighted to announce that we received Outstanding in all areas of our recent CSI inspection!

We are so proud of all our children and dedicated staff, who proudly showed the inspectors what life at CTK is all about.

Thank you for your continued support of the school and parish. This success wouldn't be possible without your partnership and involvement in our school community.

THANK YOU

On behalf of all the staff, thank you very much for all of your support over the last year.

Thank you for all of your kind words, generous Christmas gifts and cards.

We would like to wish you and your families a Happy and Holy Christmas





This week, George (class 13) volunteered with his scout group to go fund raising. He teamed up with the Round Table Santa's Sleigh and agreed to walk and collect money, even knocking on doors and offering QR cards for donations. Well done, George, for supporting such a great charity, we are very proud of you!

Last weekend, George (Class 10) and some of his football team were invited to Birmingham City FC to play against their academy teams. This was a great experience for George and his teammates. Well done, George, keep up the hard work. We are very proud of you!



Well done to Ella-Rose (class 1) who has recently moved up a group in Gymnastics. This week, Ella-Rose received two medals and certificates, for her core and apparatus skills. Well done, we are very proud of you!

Well done to Erin (class 12) for her recent achievement of passing her grading, to yellow belt green strip in Taekwondo. Well done, Erin, we are very proud of you!



On Friday 13th December, Nursery pupils Vienna, Dolly and Amelia performed in their dance schools (Chloé Academy of Dance) Christmas show. Three little Elf's on the shelf. They all looked adorable in their costumes and performed like trye stars! Well done, we are very proud of you all.





This week our new Mini Vinnies from Scots Lane site and a group of children from WHR helped to deliver beautiful handmade cards to the community. We've already had lovely feedback from members of the community who were delighted with their cards and they all commented on how polite our children were.



Beautiful Nativity Scenes and Cross Stitch cards created at Advent Club. Thank you to Mrs Thompson and Mrs Williams for leading and supporting the children at these clubs!



I know many parents who are past pupils, will remember Mrs Burnett. She was recently awarded with a World Class Colleague award at UHCW- Rugby St cross.

Stacey Quinn, a past pupil from CTK and parent shared this wonderful news with us.

As a past student of CTK - I am able to reflect that I had the best childhood at CTK. It taught me kindness, having a good attitude to learning, critical thinking, having fun, taking pride in your work and that you can do anything (and unlocking my love of sports). Under the guidance of Mrs Burnett, she helped me reach my full potential. I was very lucky that I was able to volunteer at CTK when I was studying for my A-Levels and tell Mrs Burnett the news that I got into university. I have a degree in adult nursing and now have the title of Emergency Clinical Sister. Thank you CTK for believing in me.



Thank you to KS2 parents for their support with our Walk to School Challenge.

The children have loved earning their badges.

This term, our school has recorded a total of 2463 active trips, of which 1181 were walking all the way trips. This equates to 30% walking trips, a 36% increase from our baseline. Not only this, but this term our school has seen a 39% decrease in car trips from the baseline too.

Congratulations! Your hard work is making a difference.

We will be continuing with our challenge and look forward to earning our badges every month next term.





December

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ...

Thea D
Rosie P
Grace F
Noah K
Charlie C
James C
Marcel M

Aaliyah W
Aoife-Mai B
Alexander W
Aayana-Rose M



Viaan A
Ayda P
Elisa Q
Mila M
Dakota B
Ina G
Rosie G
Lena K

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ...

JANUARY



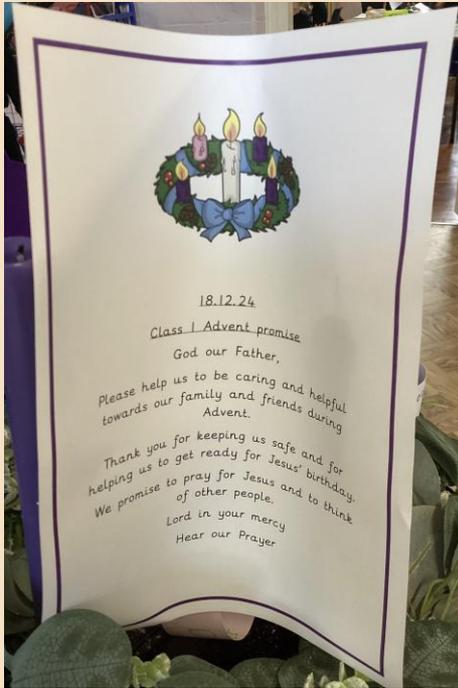
Aoife S
Erin T
Kevin O’K
Katie C
Lemuel P
Lily W





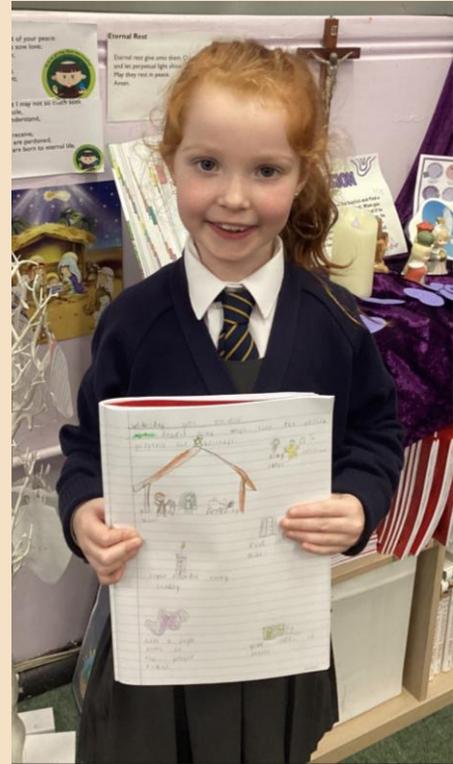
Check out our RE 'piece of the week' from each key stage!

EYFS - CLASS 1



Class 1 worked together to write a beautiful Advent prayer.

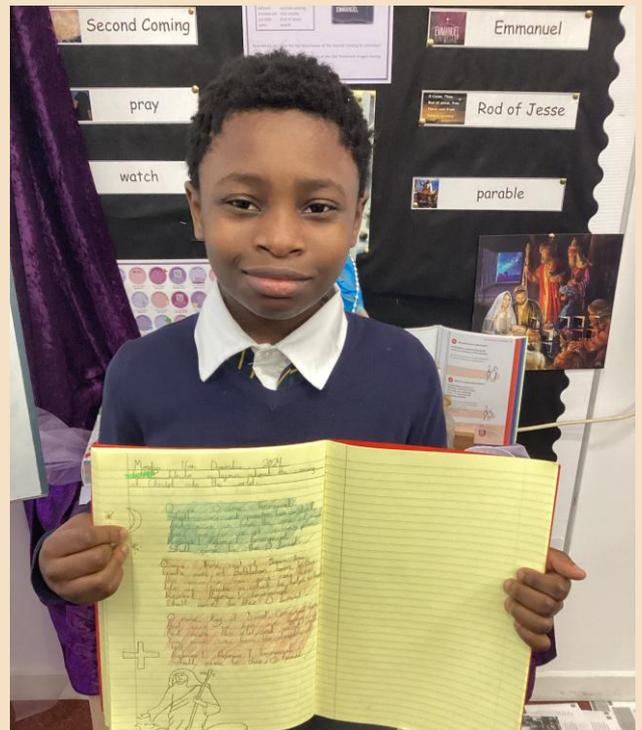
KS1 - CLASS 5 - THEA



LKS2 - CLASS 9 - YARA



UKS2 - CLASS 13 - GERALD





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 – Freya
Class 8 – Anna-Mai
Class 9 – Arthur

Class 10 – Darcy
Class 12 – Lena
Class 13 – Leo
Class 14 - Elodie



Congratulations to:

Class 2
37% of pupils in the green zone!



DOODLE MATHS MOST STARS EARNED THIS WEEK



Class 1 – Kayden
Class 2 – Darcie
Class 3 – Ollie



Class 4 – Josiah
Class 5 – Daniel
Class 6 – Melissa





January

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

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

Friday 17th January – Year 3 Family Faith Day (SL site 9am in school hall)

Sunday 19th January – Year 6 Commitment Mass in church at 9am

Monday 20th January – Year 4 Parent Workshop – Multiplication Check @ 3:45pm.

Thursday 23rd January – Year 5 Black Hole Planetarium in school

Friday 24th January – Whole school launch of the Jubilee Year 2025 (TBC)

Thursday 30th January – Year 6 Plas Dol-y-Moch

February

Monday 3rd February – Year 6 Plas return form Dol-y-Moch

Wednesday 5th February – Year 3 First Holy Communion Parent Information session in church at 6pm

Thursday 6th February– Year 5 Dance Show with Ricky. SL site 2:15pm

Friday 7th February - PTA Valentines DISCO TBC

Sunday 9th February – Year 3 Commitment Mass in church at 9am - children to be presented with a Bible.

Monday 10th February – Year 3 Parent Workshop – Multiplication Check @ 3:45pm

Thursday 13th February– Year 4 Dance Show with Ricky. SL site 2:15pm

Thursday 14th February– Year 2 Prayer service in classrooms. (1 adult per child please)

Thursday 26th February– Year 3 Reconciliation Parent Information session in church at 6pm

Friday 28th February – Year 4 Family Faith Day (SL site 9am in school hall)

March

Monday 3rd March – Reception and Year 6 Height and Weight- school nursing team in school

Wednesday 5th March – Whole school mass – Ash Wednesday

IT'S
SHOWTIME

CTK PERFORMANCE PLANNER 2024-25

Who?	What?	When?
Year 5	Dance Show	Thursday 6 th February 2025 At 2:15pm SL site
Year 4	Dance Show	Thursday 13 th February 2025 At 2:15pm SL site

Class Assemblies

Who?	When?	Where?
Class 4	Wednesday 13 th February at 9:10am	Westhill Road Site
Class 3	Wednesday 13 th February at 2:30pm	Westhill Road Site





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CLASS PE TIMETABLE

Spring TERM one - 2025

CHILDREN ARE TO WEAR THEIR PE KIT TO SCHOOL ON THE DAY OF THEIR LESSON.

Monday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 3 Year 4 Year 6 	Tuesday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 1 	Wednesday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nursery Year 3 Year 5
Thursday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 2 Year 4 (Dance) Year 5 (Dance) 	Friday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reception Year 6 	CTK PE Uniform <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CTK Navy Sports T-shirt Navy / black sport shorts / not cycling shorts please! CTK Hoodie or Navy / black plain tracksuit (No branded sports labels please such as Nike or Adidas) Sports Trainers (not converse/fashion trainers please)

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

New dates for spring

Forest School and Enrichment Day Planner

Spring Term 2025

Please note – dates may be subject to change

When?	Who?
Friday 10 th January 2025	Class 14
Friday 17 th January 2025	Class 13
Friday 24 th January 2025	Class 12
Friday 31 st January 2025	Class 11
Friday 7 th February 2025	Class 10
Friday 14 th February 2025	Class 9
HALF TERM	
Friday 28 th February 2025	Class 8
Friday 7 th March 2025	Class 7
Friday 14 th March 2025	Class 6
Friday 21 st March 2025	Class 5
Friday 28 th March 2025	Class 4
Friday 4 th April	Class 3
Friday 11 th April	Class 1 and Class 2
SCHOOL HOLIDAY	

SAFEGUARDING AT CTK

If you have any concerns over the welfare of a child during the school holiday, please contact the Coventry MASH team on

Telephone: [024 7678 8555](tel:02476788555)
 Email: mash@coventry.gov.uk

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

SAFETY ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Currently, children are growing up in an immediate and throwaway culture when it comes to content that's consumed online. So much material is now deliberately created to be shorter in nature – and may often contain hidden elements such as advertising, or extreme political and cultural views. With complex algorithms built to keep people on their phones and engaging with social media content, it's becoming increasingly difficult to reduce time spent on these platforms.

- REDUCE DOOMSCROLLING**
It's concerning how common it is for young people to spend hours aimlessly scrolling. Training young people to be more intentional about their screen time is essential. Encourage them to take breaks and use their phones for specific tasks like messaging friends and family, or watching a video. Encourage them to take a break from their phones and engage with the world around them.
- TALK ABOUT THE CONTENT**
It's important to keep up-to-date on the kind of content that's young people are being exposed to. Discussing when they're watching online can help you understand why they're using social media in the first place. Furthermore, ensure that children are aware of hidden content, such as advertising or sponsored posts – and that they know how to spot that the creator is being paid to talk about it.
- FIND POSITIVE ASPECTS**
Despite all the concerns, there's plenty of wholesome content online. It's worth exploring the world of digital content with your children to help them find something valuable and enjoyable. Perhaps you'll even discover a great interest, and you can enjoy the content alongside the child. At the end of the day, you should aim to give your children things that will be given attention, explaining why it isn't suitable and why it's been covered in the first place.
- REDUCE SCREEN TIME**
Young people can sometimes be unaware of the total amount of time they're spending on social media. Smart phones don't just have the capacity to monitor screen time, they also have the ability to set limits on each app. Consider setting targets to reduce this and support children to meet these goals, gradually reducing the amount of time spent on different apps.
- FILL THE VOID**
Monitoring and reducing screen time can create a lot of free time to fill, and young people can often face boredom and frustration. Encourage them to take breaks from their phones. To mitigate this, consider what other activities your children can do to fill their time. Encourage them to spend time with family and friends. This can ensure that young people are genuinely and often on the screen, rather than temporarily doing so while they know it's being monitored.
- REDUCE NOTIFICATIONS**
One way in which social media platforms keep people coming back is through notifications. The algorithms behind these apps track a person's daily habits, including the times of the day when they're most likely to engage with the platform. The apps then send targeted, specifically timed notifications to draw them back in. To avoid this, encourage children to turn off notifications for the apps that they don't use frequently.
- LIVE IN THE REAL WORLD**
Overexposure to social media can distort someone's perception of the real world – both body image and social connections. This filtered environment can make it hard for young people to distinguish reality from online content, where it's easy to become over-attached with the idea of AI. To mitigate this concern, talk to your young people about the importance of taking a break from social media, both on and off school time.
- DIGITAL DETOX**
Encouraging young people to take a 'digital detox' from even just a couple of the apps that they use, can have a real impact on their mental health. Encourage children to take a 'digital detox' from content creators and influencers, and instead, focus on their friends and family – which is generally a far healthier use of these platforms.
- MODEL GOOD BEHAVIOUR**
Consider the habits that you're demonstrating to your children. How much time do you spend on your phone? How much do you spend on social media? Encourage children to take a 'digital detox' from content creators and influencers, and instead, focus on their friends and family – which is generally a far healthier use of these platforms.
- BE CLEAR ON THE 'WHY'**
Research shows that young people can become more responsible in their online behaviour when they understand the reasons behind the rules. Encourage children to take a 'digital detox' from content creators and influencers, and instead, focus on their friends and family – which is generally a far healthier use of these platforms.

Meet Our Expert
 John Inley is a senior leader in a Birmingham secondary school and has vast experience in leading schools over the past 15 years – including the development of computing curricula across primary and secondary schools, setting e-safety policies and supporting schools with computing-related advice.

Wake Up Wednesday
 The National College





ENRICHMENT CLUBS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL



DIARY DATES FOR SPRING TERM 2025

Westhill Road Site

Monday 6 January

Teacher Training Day

Tuesday 7 January

Wednesday 8 January

3:15pm – 4:15pm **Languages** Yr1 & Yr2

Thursday 9 January

Friday 20 January

Scots Lane:

Monday 6 January

Teacher Training Day

Tuesday 7 January

8:00am – 8:45am **Tennis** (Yr 3 & 4)

3.30pm – High 5 Training

Wednesday 8 January

8:00am – 8:45am **Tennis** (Yr 5 & 6)

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

Thursday 9 January

3.30pm – 4.45pm **Boys Football Training**

Friday 20 January





ATTENDANCE AT CTK

WHR site		SL site	
Class Name	Weekly Attendance 16/12/2024 – 20/12/2024	Class Name	Weekly Attendance 16/12/2024 – 20/12/2024
Nursery	82.6%	Class 7	90.0%
Class 1	92.2%	Class 8	91.3%
Class 2	84.0%	Class 9	92.3%
Class 3	82.0%	Class 10	80.6%
Class 4	93.9%	Class 11	95.5% 
Class 5	90.3%	Class 12	86.2%
Class 6	98.7% 	Class 13	81.3%
		Class 14	96.7% 

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 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>





WHAT'S ON IN THE COVENTRY FAMILY HUBS

Christmas Holiday

Monday 23rd Dec 2024 -
Friday 3rd Jan 2025



What is a Family Hub?

A Family Hub is a welcoming place where children, young people and families of all ages can seek help and support, and to experience activities that enable families to thrive.

Whether you're a parent with young children, teenager, or anyone in between, a Coventry Family Hub is the place to go to connect you with the help and guidance to ensure you receive the right help at the right time with the right people. By collaborating with various services, agencies and teams, the Family Hub helps residents access a wide range of services, providing information, advice, and support tailored to your individual circumstances.

For more information call us on
0800 8870545



Please use your phone to scan the above QR code and complete a simple registration form before you attend one of the sessions or bring your GoCV Card/number.

Families For All

Monday 23rd December
Baby and Me
1.15pm - 2.45pm

For babies up to 2 years, these sessions offer new experiences, child development insights and a chance for parents/carers to make friends.

Monday 30th December
Family Fun Session
11am - 1pm

Creative activities for children. All ages welcome.

Harmony

Tuesday 23rd December
Baby and Me
9.30am - 11am

For babies up to 2 years, these sessions offer new experiences, child development insights and a chance for parents/carers to make friends.

Thursday 2nd January
Stay Together, Play Together
9.30am - 11am

Fun activities for parents and children aged 0-5 years, promoting learning and readiness for nursery and school.

Pathways

Monday 23rd December
Christmas Craft Fun Session
10am - 12pm & 2pm - 4pm

Fun festive activities for all the family.
To book a place please call 02476978130.

Friday 3rd January
Baby and Me
1.15pm - 2.45pm

For babies up to 2 years, these sessions offer new experiences, child development insights and a chance for parents/carers to make friends.

Mosaic

Monday 23rd December
Christmas Craft Session
10.30am - 12pm

Christmas activities for all the family.
To book a place please call 024 76978160.

Tuesday 31st December
Family Fun Session
11am - 12.30pm

Creative activities for children. All ages welcome.

Thursday 2nd January
Bump, Baby and Beyond
9.30pm - 11.30am

Start For Life brings together services who work with families from pregnancy to their child's second birthday. Bump, Baby and Beyond brings together midwifery and health visiting with a Baby and Me group for parents and children 0 - 2yrs.





WHAT'S ON AT THE COVENTRY FAMILY HUBS

Christmas Holiday
Monday 23rd Dec 2024 -
Friday 3rd Jan 2025



Wood Side

Monday 23rd December
Winter Craft Family Session
1.30pm - 3pm

Creative activities for all the family for the holiday season.
To book a place please call 02476978090.

Tuesday 31st December
Family Fun Session
11am - 12.30pm

Creative activities for children. All ages welcome.

Friday 3rd January
Bake-a-thon
1pm - 2.30pm

Calling all young bakers, join us for a recipe full of fun and creativity. Enjoy tasty treats and show off your baking skills, don't miss out on the sweetest event of the year!
Children 8yrs - 16yrs.
No booking required.

Aspire

Monday 23rd December
Winter Craft Family Session
1pm - 2.30pm

Creative activities for all the family for the holiday season.
To book a place please call 02476978100.

Tuesday 24th December
Baby and Me
9.30am - 11am

For babies up to 2 years, these sessions offer new experiences, child development insights and a chance for parents/carers to make friends.

The Moat

Thursday 2nd January
Family Fun Session
1.30pm - 3pm

Creative activities for children. All ages welcome.

Friday 3rd January
Bump, Baby and Beyond
9.30am - 11.00am

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Park Edge

Monday 23rd December
Baby and Me
9.30am - 11am

For babies up to 2 years, these sessions offer new experiences, child development insights and a chance for parents/carers to make friends.

Monday 30th December
Family Fun Session
3.30pm - 5pm

Creative activities for children. All ages welcome.

Tuesday 31st December
Youth Session
2pm - 3.30pm

Fun, games, food and activities for young people over 11yrs.



The New Coventry Families Portal

Visit www.coventryfamilies.co.uk today and discover a range of information and resources tailored specifically for you and your family's needs

The following Family Hubs will be open as warm spaces on
Fri 27th Dec, Mon 30th Dec and Tues 31st Dec

Mosaic Family Hub
Jardine Crescent
Tile Hill
CV4 9PL

Families for All Family Hub
454 Foleshill Road
Foleshill
CV6 5LB

Wood Side Family Hub
Upper Ride
Willenhall
CV3 3GL

Park Edge Family Hub
Roseberry Ave
CV2 1NE

If you are in need of help and support please pop in or call our free phone number **0800 8870545**





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

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