



CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC PRIMARY



WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – Friday 28th November 2025

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

On Monday, the children came together to celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. We began the day as a whole school, learning about how Jesus is the greatest King of all—the King of the Universe. The children then completed some work in class.



To mark this special occasion, the children made beautiful gold crowns to wear throughout the day and enjoyed some sweets—because you can't have a celebration without a yummy treat!



A special thank you to Alex, Clara and Jude who read so beautifully in church last Sunday during the Feast of Christ the King. You represented our school wonderfully!

SCHOOL MASS

Children in Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, and Year 6 will attend whole school Mass on **Tuesday 9 December at 9:30am**. The readings will be led by Yr 3 and Yr 4.



Sunday 14th December Year 1 Family Mass at 9am

Readings led by children in Year 6

Children in Years 4 – 6 are welcome to join staff in the choir loft. Children in Reception – Year 3 are welcome to participate in children's liturgy.

Year 3 - First Holy Communion

Thursday 5th February @6pm

Parents meeting on Word of God in church

Sunday 8th February @9am

Year 3 Mass at 9am (Children receive Red Bibles)

Happy Birthday to

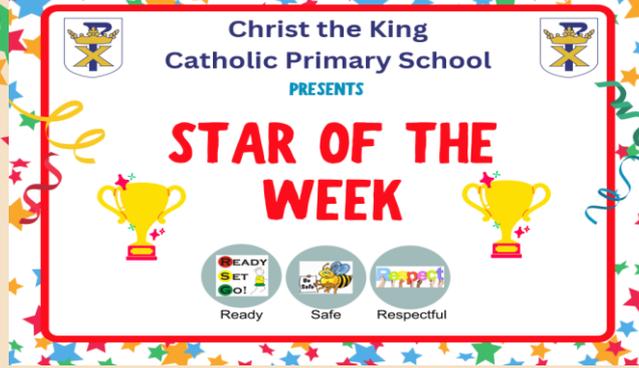
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OUR MISSION THIS WEEK





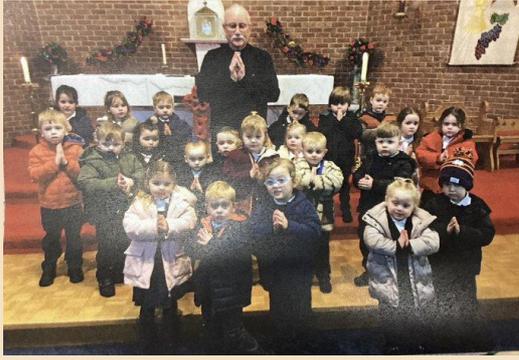
Well done to the stars of the week	
Class 1	Ralphy Rosa
Class 2	Freya Gracie
Class 3	Henry Molly
Class 4	Rohan Charlie
Class 5	Gwendolyn Eric
Class 6	Jonah Janelle

Well done to the stars of the week	
Class 7	Blythe Odhran
Class 8	Betsy Thea
Class 9	George Isabella
Class 10	Moses Tristan
Class 11	Alicja Ivy-Belle
Class 12	Joshua Isla-Kate
Class 13	Isla Harriet
Class 14	Aoife Anthony





CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



On Monday, Nursery gathered in Church to find out about the role of a Priest and Deacon in the church. Thanks to Deacon Keith for all of you time and support.



This week, year 2 have enjoyed using rubber bands to count the vertices of 2d shapes.



Congratulations to Hallie class 10 who achieved 9th place out of 28 in her age group at the Midlands World Qualifiers for Irish dancing. Well done Hallie, we are very proud of you!



On Thursday, Year 6 performed their last ever Ricky Dance show at CTK. Thanks to the families that were able to come and support.



Congratulations to Victoria, Class 7 who danced in FSDance festival recently. Victoria danced beautifully at the festival, spending a wonderful time with her dance family. She earned both gold and silver medals, making us all proud. Well done, Victoria, we are very proud of you!

Thanks to the PTA for organising Wednesday night Christmas wreath making event. It was wonderful evening to help get us into the Christmas spirit.





On Thursday, Nursery had great fun dressing up in black and orange costumes after listening to the story The Tiger who came for tea. The children made their own jam or cheese sandwiches for their Tiger Tea Party

Thank you to all the children and families that were able to support the walk to school event last week. The results are in...

WALK TO SCHOOL AND WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE HAT

147 children who normally drive walked part or all of the way

An increase of **28%**

One extra walk to school...



saves the same amount of carbon emissions as



keeping half a tree or heating a home for 2 hours



On Tuesday, Mrs Nicol led an excellent MAC Sustainability Heroes Meeting attended by some of our children at Cardinal Newman. They questioned the catering team, learnt more about climate change and waste recycling and then thought about ideas to develop 'water week' next term.





Reverse Advent Calendar - Supporting Father Hudson's Caritas



Dear Parents/Carers,

This Advent, we are joining schools across the Archdiocese in supporting Father Hudson's Caritas through a Reverse Advent Calendar Appeal. Instead of only receiving gifts, we are encouraging our children and families to give to others in need if they can.

Last year, together, the Diocese of Birmingham schools collected over 100,000 toiletry items - an incredible achievement! This year, all schools are focusing on non-perishable food items to help families in need. These include dried foods (such as pasta and rice), sauces, tinned foods, biscuits, crisps, and suitable Christmas treats.

Please send your child's donation into school by Wednesday 10th December. Each year group has been allocated an item to support a range of donations being collected:

Nursery: Pasta
Reception: Rice
Year 1: Tinned Vegetables
Year 2: Tinned Fruit
Year 3: Biscuits / Crisps
Year 4: Tinned Soup
Year 5: Tinned Meat or Fish
Year 6: Jars of Sauce (e.g., pasta sauce)

Thank you for your generosity and for helping us live out the BDES mission: Forming Christ-centred pilgrims of hope with kind hearts, questioning minds, a thirst for knowledge, and a hunger for justice.

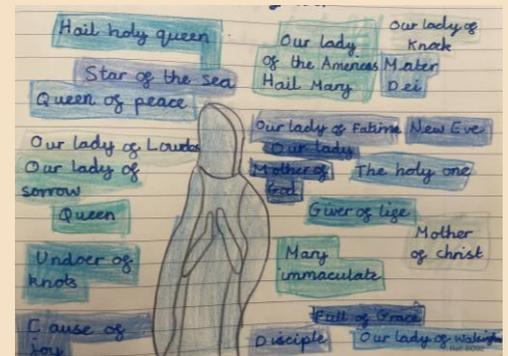




We are delighted to introduce our **Weekly RE Showcase**, where each year group will share highlights of their Religious Education learning. From thoughtful reflections to creative work, we are incredibly proud of the children's **growing knowledge, understanding, and wonderful contributions**. Each week, we'll feature a different year group to celebrate their journey in faith and learning. Keep an eye out for inspiring displays of scripture, prayer, and how our pupils live out Gospel values in everyday life.

Over the last couple of weeks in R.E Year 6 have focused on the unit, celebrating the life of Mary and the Saints. During this unit they have been thinking carefully about the role of Mary not only in Jesus' life but how she influences our lives too. The children have produced some lovely artwork on different names for Mary and have been thinking about which of her many names we regard as most important and why. The children have also been reading different Bible stories which Mary is mentioned, The Annunciation, The Visitation and The Nativity to name a few. Using these they have been discussing how Mary is portrayed in each one as a calm, gentle and perfect person, recognising exactly why God chose Mary to be Jesus' mother. These Bible stories will lead in perfectly to Advent and Christmas to further their discussions. Year 6 have also learnt the important Feast Days for Mary and have discussed which they feel is most important and why.

YEAR SIX



Last Friday, Year 6 had the opportunity to visit Westhill Road as a part of the end of the Jubilee Year celebrations. The children went into small groups with Nursery and Year One and led them round the hall, helping them to pray and to reflect on the Year of Hope. Year 6 were fantastic role models to our younger children and took great care and responsibility helping them with prayer.

This week Year 6 are visiting St Chads Cathedral as part of their Confirmation preparation and are really looking forward to gaining a deeper understanding of what it means to become an adult in the Catholic Church.





Maths at CTK!

Children in Reception have been working on their number recognition and have been using the blocks to build numbers.



Congratulations to:

Class 2

63% of pupils are in the green zone!



DOODLE MATHS MOST STARS EARNED THIS WEEK

Class 1 – Rosa

Class 2 – Leo

Class 3 – Josie

Class 4 – Kayden

Class 5 – Edward

Class 6 – Josiah

Class 7 – Victoria

Class 8 – Edward

Class 9 – Isabella

Class 10 – Emmerson

Class 11 – Ollie

Class 12 – Sophia

Class 13 – James

Class 14 – Ruairi



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

Class 7 – Lyla

Class 8 – Daisy

Class 9 – Halle

Class 10 – Teddy

Class 11 – Joshua

Class 12 – Jack

Class 13 – Marella

Class 14 – Joshua



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





December 2025

Monday 1st December – Advent Day in school

Thursday 4th December – Belgrade Pantomime

Friday 5th December - Year 6 Class Prayer Service at 9am in classrooms (1 adult per child)

Friday 5th December –NON UNIFORM DAY - EYFS children bring chocolate – KS1/2 Children bring a bottle for PTA event

Tuesday 9th December – EYFS nativity performance at WHR – 9:30am

Tuesday 9th December – Year 5 Christmas performance at SL – 1:45pm

Wednesday 10th December - EYFS nativity performance at WHR – 2pm

Thursday 11th December - Year 5 Christmas performance at SL – 9:15am

Thursday 11th December - Year 4 Christmas Dance Show at SL – 2:15pm

Friday 12th December – PTA Christmas event in school and after school – more details to follow

Sunday 14th December – Year 1 Family Mass at 9am in church

Wednesday 17th December – Christmas Lunch at both sites

Wednesday 17th December – Autumn Term progress reports emailed to parents

Thursday 18th December – Carol Service concert for Reception – Year 6 at church 6pm start

Friday 19th December – Rock Steady concert at SL site 9:15am

Friday 19th December – Last Day of Term

IT'S **SHOWTIME**
CTK PERFORMANCE PLANNER 2025-2026

Who?	What?	When?
Year 6	Dance Show	Thursday 27 th November 2025 2:15pm SL site
Nursery and Reception	Christmas Nativity X2 tickets per child per performance	Tuesday 9 th December 2025 at 9:30am Wednesday 10 th December at 2pm WHR site
Year 5	Christmas Pantomime X2 tickets per child per performance	Tuesday 9 th December 2025 at 1:45pm Thursday 11 th December at 9:15am SL site
Year 4	Dance Show	Thursday 11 th December 2025 2:15pm SL site
Reception – Year 6	Christmas Carol Concert	Thursday 18 th December 6pm CTK Church
Rock Steady Musicians in Yr 3 - Yr 6	Rock Steady Concert	Friday 19 th December 9:15am SL site

January 2026

Monday 5th January – First day back to school

Wednesday 7th January – RSPB Bird watching Event in school

Wednesday 14th January – PCSO 6 week programme for selected Year 5 pupils begins.

Friday 16th January – Year 3 Family Faith Day at 9am SL hall

Friday 16th January – Selected Year 5 pupils to attend Maths Mastermind event at Cardinal Newman @ 1pm – 2:30pm

Sunday 25th January – Year 2 family Mass at CTK church @ 9am

Monday 26th January – Year 6 Shakespeare Workshop in school

Thursday 29th January - Book Look for parents in school in preparation for parents evening 3:30pm – 5:00pm at both school sites.



Coventry and Nuneaton Deanery

Blessing of the Christmas Crib





Broadgate

The Coventry Christmas Crib Dedication will take place on the first Sunday of Advent.
The crib is located in Broadgate next to Lady Godiva statue and over looked by the two Cathedrals.

4pm

Sunday, 30 November

Photo - Eve MacDonald Taken 28/11/21



Upcoming Enrichment Days at Christ the King

We're excited to announce our upcoming enrichment days, where children will take part in a carousel of engaging, hands-on activities in small groups. These will focus on

- Forest School and Gardening,
- Cooking and Nutrition, and
- Art Skills.

Forest School and Enrichment Day Planner
Autumn Term 2025

Please note – dates may be subject to change

When?	Who?
Friday 5 th September 2025	Class 14
Friday 12 th September 2025	Class 13
Friday 19 th September 2025	Class 12
Friday 26 th September 2025	Class 11
Friday 3 rd October 2025	Class 10
Friday 10 th October 2025	Class 9
Friday 17 th October 2025	Class 8
Friday 24 th October 2025	Class 7
HALF TERM	
Friday 7 th November 2025	Class 5 and Class 6
Friday 14 th November 2025	Teacher Training Day
Friday 21 st November 2025	Class 3 and Class 4
Friday 28 th November 2025	Year 6 Trip to St Chads
Friday 5 th December 2025	Dress Rehearsal Day in school for Christmas Performances
Friday 12 th December 2025	Christmas Doodle Date Class 13 and Class 14
Friday 19 th December 2025	Last Day of Term
SCHOOL HOLIDAY	

Children should come to school in their usual school uniform, but we kindly ask that they bring a change of clothes suitable for outdoor activities.

This could include:

- Wellies or old trainers (that you don't mind getting muddy)
- Old trousers or jogging bottoms
- Waterproof clothing, if available

Your child's class teacher will be in touch closer to the time to let you know if any specific clothing or items are needed for their group's activities.

We're really looking forward to these enrichment days – they're a fantastic opportunity for children to explore new skills, enjoy creative learning, and make lasting memories.

Thank you for your continued support!





Safeguarding at CTK

Designated Safeguarding lead: Miss J Riach (Head teacher)
Deputy Designated Safeguarding lead: Mrs S Horrocks (Assistant Headteacher) and Mrs T Hagyard (Learning Mentor)

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about TRACKING DEVICES

Bluetooth tracking devices like Apple's AirTag and Samsung's SmartTags have exploded in popularity, with millions sold each year. These small tools help people locate their lost items, but their discreet design has also made them attractive for more sinister purposes. From stalking to bullying, tracking devices present unique risks that trusted adults need to understand and address.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

STALKING AND HARASSMENT

Because of their tiny size and unassuming appearance, tracking devices can easily be hidden in bags or clothing. They've been used to monitor individuals without their knowledge, with a lawsuit in the US labelling AirTags "the weapon of choice of stalkers and abusers". In the UK, use of tracking devices in coercive control and stalking cases reportedly rose by 317 percent between 2018 and 2023.

TOOLS FOR BULLYING

Tracking devices could allow bullies to follow or locate their targets even outside of school. This makes it difficult for children to find refuge, potentially extending the trauma of bullying into spaces - like home - that should feel safe and secure.

FALSE ACCUSATIONS

Because tracking devices are linked to user accounts, they could be misused to 'prove' ownership of someone else's possessions. Someone could, for example, plant a tracker on another person's belongings to falsely claim them as their own.

INVASION OF PRIVACY

These devices are designed to share location data with the user via other people's phones, which can unintentionally broadcast someone's movements without their consent. This makes them vulnerable to being monitored by strangers without realising.

DIFFICULT TO DETECT

Many tracking devices are designed to be discreet, but that also means they're easy to hide. Without proactive checking or the right tech to detect them, children and young people might not realise they're being tracked.

Advice for Parents & Educators

WATCH FOR WARNING SIGNS

If a child's peers always seem to know their location - whether in person or hinted at online - it could be worth checking for tracking devices. Some, like AirTags, will eventually make a noise if separated from their owner. Listen out for a chirping sound.

CHECK LIKELY HIDING SPOTS

Common places where trackers may be planted include jacket linings, bag seams, pockets, or under bike seats. If you find one, take a photo of the serial number before disposing of it - this could help police trace the account it's linked to.

USE DETECTION APPS

Apple devices running iOS 14.5 or later will notify users of unknown AirTags nearby. Android users can install Apple's 'Tracker Detect' or the third-party app 'AirGuard' to scan for tracking devices from various manufacturers.

HAVE THE CONVERSATION

Talk to your child about what tracking devices are, what signs to look out for, and how they might be misused. Emphasise the legal consequences of using them to prank, harass, or monitor someone.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is a seasoned technology journalist with bylines in Wired, TechRadar, The Guardian, The Evening Standard, The Telegraph, and The New Statesman. He specialises in consumer tech, online safety, and emerging risks in the digital landscape.



Tracking devices like AirTags and SmartTags were designed to help people find lost belongings, but they've also opened the door to worrying forms of misuse. Their compact size and subtle design make them easy to hide, which can lead to the unwanted tracking of people without their knowledge. From stalking and bullying to potential misuse by peers, these gadgets bring a range of risks that trusted adults must stay aware of.

This guide examines the growing popularity of Bluetooth trackers, the most common ways they're being misused, and how to spot signs that a child may be affected. With practical tips on detecting hidden devices, using the right apps, and starting important conversations, it's a vital read for parents, carers and educators looking to stay ahead of a fast-moving issue.





EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS



DIARY DATES FOR AUTUMN TERM 2025

Westhill Road Site:

Monday 1 December

3:15 pm– 4:15pm Computer Club

Tuesday 2 December

3:15 pm– 4:15pm Drawing Club

3:15 pm– 4:15pm Chill Out Club

Wednesday 3 December

3:15 pm– 4:15pm Language Club

Thursday 4 December

Friday 5 December

Scots Lane:

Monday 1 December

3:30 pm– 4:30pm Cooking Club

3:30 pm– 4:30pm Nerf Club

Tuesday 2 December

8:00 am– 8:45am Yr 3/4 Tennis Club

3:30 pm– 4:30pm Boys Football

Wednesday 3 December

8:00 am– 8:45am Yr 5/6 Tennis Club

12:30pm - Swimming class 11

3:30 pm– 4:30pm Chat Club

3:30 pm– 4:30pm Girls Football

Thursday 4 December

3:30 pm– 4:30pm Girl's Football Team

cancelled due to match fixture

Friday 5 December

3:30 pm – 4:30pm Boys Football Club





ATTENDANCE AT CTK

WHR site		SL site	
Class Name	Weekly Attendance 24/11/2025 – 28/11/2025	Class Name	Weekly Attendance 24/11/2025 – 28/11/2025
Nursery	96.9% 	Class 7	98.3% 
Class 1	95.0% 	Class 8	97.0% 
Class 2	96.7% 	Class 9	95.0% 
Class 3	95.3% 	Class 10	96.1% 
Class 4	98.0% 	Class 11	97.6% 
Class 5	99.3% 	Class 12	95.7% 
Class 6	92.0%	Class 13	93.2%
		Class 14	97.8% 

Children arriving late to school:

Please be advised that if your child is late to school at WHR or SL site, children must be signed in by a parent/carer. Children are not permitted to sign themselves in for safeguarding reasons. Thank you for your understanding.

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>





CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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

Monday 1 September 2025

Tuesday 2 September 2025

Friday 14 November 2025

Friday 3 July 2026

Monday 20 July 2026

Coventry City Council **School term dates 2025-2026**

August 2025						
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July 2026						
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Summer bank holiday	25 August 2025	Good Friday	3 April 2026
Christmas Day	25 December 2025	Easter Monday	6 April 2026
Boxing Day	26 December 2025	May Day holiday	4 May 2026
New Year bank holiday	1 January 2026	Spring Bank holiday	25 May 2026

Term time
Holiday
Bank holiday
Weekend
LA set training day
Secondary Induction Day

+ 4 set by the school

