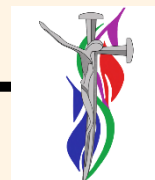




# CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC PRIMARY



WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026

## WELCOME TO THE WORLD SAOIRSE!

We are delighted to share some wonderful news with you. At the beginning of April, Mrs Hirst welcomed a beautiful baby girl named Saoirse.

She is a lovely new addition to the CTK family. Mrs Hirst and Saoirse are both doing very well and are settling into life as a family of five.



We already know that Freddie and Cillian are proving to be the very best big brothers to their baby sister. Congratulations to Mrs Hirst and her family from everyone at CTK!

## SCHOOL MASS

Children in Reception - Year 6 will attend whole school Mass on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April at 9:30am. The readings will be led children in Year 1 and Year 5

## SUNDAY MASS

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 9am - Year 4 Family Mass  
Reading will be 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

## Happy Birthday to

Caitlin A  
Maile C  
Daisy C  
Ronan L  
Leo F



Aoife H  
Zion O  
Edward M  
Blake C  
Matthew J

## OUR MISSION THIS WEEK



### Year 6- Confirmation

Thursday 21st May at 6pm	Parents meeting in church
Saturday 6th June	Confirmation Class 13 at 10am Class 14 at 12 noon

### Year 3 - First Holy Communion

Saturday 9th May	First Holy Communion Class 7 at 10am Class 8 at 12 noon
Sunday 10th May at 12noon	Crowning of our Lady in church





# Before & After School Club is now the **\*Wraparound Club\***

Renewal forms due 1st May 2026 to secure or cancel places for September please.

Please use the new e-mail address for all Wraparound Club related queries, including sending payment details. Miss Peavoy will be able to support .  
[@ctkwraparound@hccmac.co.uk](mailto:@ctkwraparound@hccmac.co.uk)

Please note Wraparound Club is closed Friday 17th July 2026 afternoon only.  
There no charge for this session

# SWAP SHOP

## AT OUR SCHOOL!

**GIVE YOUR OLD THINGS A NEW HOME!**

Bring your pre-loved toys and books to school and swap them for something new-to-you!

### WHY SWAP?

- Help the planet by reducing waste
- Share and care with your friends
- Find exciting "new" toys and books

### SWAP SHOP RULES

To make sure everyone gets something they'll love, please remember:

- No broken toys
- No used or written in books
- No items with missing pieces

**MAY 1ST**

LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO HELP THE ENVIRONMENT!





## Exciting Visitor Coming to School – Monday 27th April

We are delighted to share that the PTA have organised a very special visitor for the children on Monday 27th April. Zactiv (who some of you may recognise as Steel from Gladiators) will be joining us in school!



To mark the occasion, children are invited to come dressed in their favourite active wear instead of school uniform.

There will be a charge of £1 per child for the morning's event. Please ensure donations are sent into school by **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026**.

During the visit, every child will have the opportunity to:

Meet Zactiv

Join in an active workshop

Ask questions

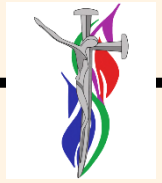
Take part in a class photo (with a signed copy to bring home)

Receive a bottle of water

Zactiv will also be talking to the children about the importance of keeping fit, active and leading a healthy lifestyle – a wonderful message for all our pupils.

We are really looking forward to this exciting day and hope the children thoroughly enjoy the experience!





## EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS



### DIARY DATES FOR SUMMER TERM 2026



Westhill Road Site	Scots Lane Site
<b>Monday 20 April</b>	<b>Monday 20 April</b>
3:15pm – 4:15pm Drama Club 3:15pm – 4:15pm Book Club 3.15pm – 4.15pm Geography Club	3:30pm – 4:30pm Cooking Club
<b>Tuesday 21 April</b>	<b>Tuesday 21 April</b>
3:15pm– 4:15pm Chill Out Club 3:15pm – 4:15pm French Club	8:00 am– 8:45am Yr 3/4 Tennis Club 12noon – Year 5 Coding Club with Mrs Cruz-Stout 3:30pm– 4:30pm Boys Football Team
<b>Wednesday 22 April</b>	<b>Wednesday 22 April</b>
3:15 pm– 4:15pm Language Club	8:00 am– 8:45am Yr 5/6 Tennis Club 12:30pm - Swimming Class 9 3:30pm– 4:30pm Chat Club 3:30pm– 4:30pm Girls Football Club
<b>Thursday 23 April</b>	<b>Thursday 23 April</b>
	12:15pm TTRS Club with Miss Sullivan 3:30pm – 4:30pm Gardening Club 3:30 pm– 4:30pm Girl's Football Team <b>cancelled due to sporting event</b>
<b>Friday 24 April</b>	<b>Friday 24 April</b>
	3:30 pm – 4:30pm Boys Football Club





# CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE TERM AHEAD



### April 2026

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**- Earth Day

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April** – Kenilworth Book Shop at WHR site 3:15pm - 4pm. *Cash and Card accepted.*

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April** - Nursery Family Faith Day at WHR site 9am in school hall.

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April** – Year 4 Family Mass at CTK church 9am

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April** – Steel the Gladiator visit to school – more information to follow .

### May 2026

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May**– Toy Swap Shop run by Cardinal Newman Students

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May** – May Day – school closed to pupils and staff.

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May** – First Holy Communion  
10am Class 7 and 12noon Class 8

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May** – Crowning of Our Lady 12noon at CTK Church

**W/B Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May** – KS2 SATs Week

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May** – May procession in school for children – bring a flower in to present during the service.

**W/B Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May** – Walk to school week

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May** – PTA Movies and Munchies – more information to follow

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May** – Year 6 Confirmation meeting in church

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Year 6 Family Faith Day at SL site 9am in the school hall

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

Who?	What?	When?
Year 1	Musique Ensemble	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2:30pm WHR site

**Forest School and Enrichment Day Planner**  
Summer Term 2026

Please note – dates may be subject to change

When?	Who?
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Class 11
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Class 12
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2026	Sporting Events
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Sir David Attenborough's 100 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Class 5 and Class 6
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	Class 7 and Class 8
<b>HALF TERM</b>	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Class Photo Day
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Class 3 and Class 4
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Class 1 and Class 2
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Class 9 and Class 10
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026	Teacher Training Day
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Sporting Event
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Last Day of School
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAY</b>	

**CLASS PE TIMETABLE**  
Summer TERM One- 2026

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

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Monday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 3</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 1</li> <li>Class 10</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Wednesday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nursery</li> <li>Class 9 (swimming)</li> <li>Year 5</li> <li>Year 6</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thursday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 2</li> <li>Year 3</li> <li>Year 4</li> <li>Year 5</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Friday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reception</li> <li>Year 6</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CTK PE Uniform</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CTK Navy Sports T-shirt</li> <li>Navy / black <u>short shorts</u> (not tight/ cycling shorts or leggings please)</li> <li>CTK Hoodie or Navy/ black plain tracksuit (No branded sports labels please such as Nike or Adidas)</li> <li>Sports <u>trainers</u> (not converse/fashion trainers please)</li> </ul>



## YEAR OF READING 2026

# APRIL *newsletter*

### Spring Reading Challenge - 1,000 Minutes as a Class!

This April, each class will be taking part in our 1,000-Minute Reading Challenge. Using their class text, children will work together to see if they can reach a combined total of 1,000 minutes of reading over the month. Every minute read in class contributes to the total, and we can't wait to see which classes rise to the challenge!

Let's get reading! 📖 ✨

### Kenilworth Books POP-UP BOOK FAIR



Let our pop-up book fair take you on a magical journey!

Our book fair will take place on

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April  
Westhill Road site 3:15pm - 4pm  
Cash and Card will be accepted

### Book Fair

On William Shakespeare's birthday, we will be celebrating a love of reading by hosting Kenilworth Books in school. Families are warmly invited to visit the WHR site after school, where the bookshop will be available until 4:00pm. This is a lovely opportunity for you and your children to browse and purchase a new book together.

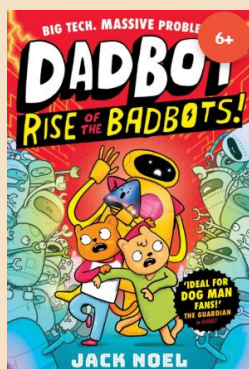
We hope you can join us to mark this special occasion and support reading for pleasure.

### Author of the Month

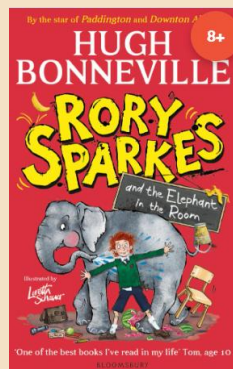
This month, the children continue to explore books by a different children's author to help them discover new stories, characters and writing styles. Every class has access to a book, building excitement around reading and supporting rich discussions during story time. Thanks to our wonderful PTA, this also helps us continue growing vibrant class libraries!



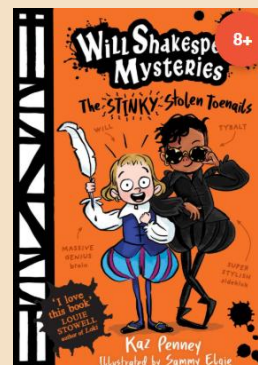
Nursery - Reception



Year 1 - Year 2



Year 3 - Year 4

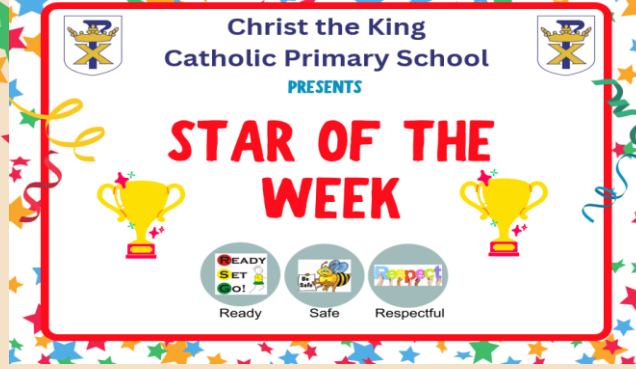


Year 5



Year 6





Well done to the stars of the week

<b>Class 1</b>	Mila Kemjika
<b>Class 2</b>	Adriel Maria
<b>Class 3</b>	Lily Esme
<b>Class 4</b>	Patsy-Bella Lucy
<b>Class 5</b>	Vandora Liam
<b>Class 6</b>	James Josiah

Well done to the stars of the week

<b>Class 7</b>	Faith Violet
<b>Class 8</b>	George C Ryan
<b>Class 9</b>	Anna-Mai Thea
<b>Class 10</b>	Arthur Dolce
<b>Class 11</b>	Andre Ewan Kai
<b>Class 12</b>	Jack Darcy
<b>Class 13</b>	Erin M Kian
<b>Class 14</b>	Ruairi Leo





Congratulations to Arlo, class 11, who has been training with Sky Blues in the Community. Over Easter he was asked to play in a tournament for their U11's first team! The tournament had 16 teams in it - Arlo was goalkeeper and only let one goal in during the whole tournament. He even saved a penalty in the final and they won the tournament! Well done Arlo, we are so proud of you!

Congratulations to Alfie, class 3, who was awarded 'player of the week' for his community football. Well done Alfie, we are so proud of you!



Congratulations to George, class 8, who runs the junior park run every Sunday, but on Easter Saturday George completed his second Adult 5k park run in 28 mins and 4 seconds. He is very proud of this achievement and how super speedy he was. Congratulations George, we are so proud of you!



Congratulations to Clara, class 6, has recently participated in the Wing It show called 'All that Jazz'. Clara rehearsed every single day in the Easter break. Well done Clara, we are so proud of you!

Thanks to ProVeg UK for providing an exciting project to help us to grow our own tomatoes. Year 3 have planted them today and are ready to nurture them as well as hopefully being encouraged to eat more tomatoes once they grow



Thank you to everyone that wore sky blue today We are cheering CCFC all the way! We can't wait to see what the result is after the game today.



Congratulations to Moses, class 10, for trying to learn a new skill of surfing in the Easter holidays! Well done Moses, we are very proud of you!





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## RE Weekly showcase- Celebrating Faith and Learning

### NURSERY

Nursery made the Sign of the Cross out of different objects as it is a special sign for Jesus. They also made a cross necklace to remind them that Jesus died on the cross.



Nursery have been thinking about the things that make them happy, they have learned a special Alleluia song and have enjoyed taking part in a special 'Jesus is Alive' freeze dance.



### RECEPTION

During the Spring term, Reception re-enacted the events of Palm Sunday. They waved palms and sang 'Hosanna'.



Reception also learnt about Holy Week. They listened to the Gospel story of the Last Supper and learned how Jesus washed the disciples' feet. They acted out the story and thought about how Jesus showed His love and taught us how to love and serve everyone.



Reception acted out The Last Supper. They talked about how this was the last meal Jesus was going to have with the disciples. They learnt how Jesus explained that he knew that one of his friends was going to betray him. They then shared bread and juice with their friends, just like Jesus did. The children also thought about how Jesus would have been feeling. They discussed how in Mass when Father Tom says, "This is my body, This is my blood" we are remembering Jesus' words at the Last Supper.



After learning about the events of Good Friday, the children went on a walk around school to identify the crucifixes and crosses on our school environment.



Reception also made an Easter Gardens inspired by different pieces of artwork. They worked as a team and used lots of natural materials. They also made an edible garden too!





## Maths at CTK!

It's great to see that 54 children that have already signed up to complete the Doodle Maths Spring Challenge.

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April is the last day you can sign up – each child that completes the challenge will receive a certificate and a pin badge.



For more information, see the parent guide:

[SpringChallenge-2026-ParentGuide-RGB.pdf](#)

Congratulations to:

**Class 4**

47% of pupils are in the green zone!



## DOODLE MATHS MOST STARS EARNED THIS WEEK

- Class 1 – Trae
- Class 2 – Gracie
- Class 3 – Orlaith
- Class 4 – Lucie
- Class 5 – Kenzo
- Class 6 – Josiah
- Class 7 – Charlie
- Class 8 – Deanna
- Class 9 – Harriet
- Class 10 – Tess
- Class 11 – Ewan
- Class 12 – Joshua
- Class 14 – Ruairi



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

- Class 7 – Clara H
- Class 8 – Ryan
- Class 9 – Joshua
- Class 10 – Dolce
- Class 11 – Benjamin
- Class 12 – Dawid
- Class 13 – Aaliyah
- Class 14 – Anthony



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





## 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 IMAGE-ALTERING FILTERS**

From playful puppy ears on Snapchat to 'beauty mode' on TikTok, image-altering filters are now a routine part of how young people communicate online. While many are harmless, others subtly reshape people's faces and bodies. This can blur the line between reality and edited content, potentially influencing how children and young people see themselves and others.

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

- ALTERED BEAUTY STANDARDS**  
Many 'beauty' filters smooth skin, reshape facial features, or adjust body proportions. Over time, repeated exposure to these filters can shift a child's idea of what is 'normal' or attractive, creating unrealistic expectations about their own and others' appearances.
- PRESSURE TO LOOK PERFECT**  
Filtered images can often attract more 'likes' and positive comments. This can encourage children and young people to rely on editing tools to gain others' approval, rather than feeling confident in their natural appearance.
- LOW SELF-ESTEEM**  
Regularly viewing heavily filtered content can lead to comparisons with unrealistic images. This is linked to body dissatisfaction and reduced self-esteem, particularly among children and teenagers.
- HIDDEN ADVERTISING**  
Some filters are linked to beauty products or trends, subtly promoting third-party brands. Children and young people may not recognise this as advertising, while also sharing personal data - such as facial images and usage habits - with apps and third parties.
- BLURRED REALITY**  
As filters become more advanced and natural-looking, it can be difficult for children and young people to distinguish edited content from real life, especially when filters are used in everyday photos and videos.
- SEXUALISED EDITS**  
Certain tools can make users appear older or more sexualised. This may attract unwanted attention, increase the risk of images being shared without consent, and expose young people to unsafe interactions.

**Advice for Parents & Educators**

- START OPEN CONVERSATIONS**  
Talk regularly about filters, such as how they work and why people use them. Ask the children and young people in your care how filtered images make them feel and encourage honest discussion without judgement.
- CHALLENGE 'PERFECT' POSTS**  
When viewing content together, gently point out the signs of editing, filters, or posing techniques. This builds critical thinking and helps children and young people question unrealistic images.
- REINFORCE WHAT'S REAL**  
Help children and young people understand that filtered images are digitally altered and are not an accurate reflection of real life. Emphasise that they don't need to meet these artificial standards.
- PROMOTE OFFLINE CONFIDENCE**  
Encourage activities that build self-worth beyond appearance, such as sports, hobbies, friendships, and creative interests, so that confidence isn't tied solely to online validation.

**Meet Our Expert**  
Parven Kaur is a digital parenting expert and founder of Kids N Clicks, a platform dedicated to helping parents navigate the online world alongside their children. She is an expert contributor for internet Matters, offering practical guidance on emerging online safety issues. Her insights have been featured by the BBC, The Telegraph, TalkTV, and other major media outlets, supporting families across the UK.

#WakeUpWednesday The National College

See full reference list on our website

Image-altering filters are now embedded in everyday online interactions, from playful effects to more subtle appearance-enhancing tools. This guide examines how these features can influence perceptions of beauty and reality, particularly for children and young people navigating social media. It highlights how filtered content can quietly shape expectations and online behaviours.

Focusing on risks such as low self-esteem, social pressure and hidden advertising, the guide also addresses more serious concerns like sexualised edits and blurred boundaries between real and altered images. It provides supportive, practical advice to help parents and educators build media literacy, encourage confidence and promote healthier relationships with online content.

## Attendance - Reporting Absences

A polite reminder to all parents and carers: when informing the school of your child's absence, please include specific details of their symptoms if they are unwell. Messages such as "not well" or "feeling poorly" do not give us enough information to record the absence accurately.

Please ensure that all absences are reported before 9:00am by leaving a voicemail or emailing us at:













[ctk\\_parentlink@hccmac.co.uk](mailto:ctk_parentlink@hccmac.co.uk)

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us keep our records clear and accurate.





## ATTENDANCE AT CTK

WHR site		SL site	
Class Name	Weekly Attendance 13/04/2026 – 17/04/2026	Class Name	Weekly Attendance 13/04/2026 – 17/04/2026
Nursery	100% 	Class 7	99.7% 
Class 1	95.9% 	Class 8	99.3% 
Class 2	100% 	Class 9	99.3% 
Class 3	97.3% 	Class 10	96.5% 
Class 4	92.0%	Class 11	98.6% 
Class 5	95.9% 	Class 12	96.3% 
Class 6	93.4%	Class 13	95.8% 
		Class 14	93.1%

### 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](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>





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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**

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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

