

Newsletter for week beginning 22nd March 2021
Virtue to Live By: I can change after I have made a poor choice.



Holy Week

Next week we will be celebrating Holy Week in school. Our children in Year 3 and Year 4 will be putting together a video to share the events leading up to Jesus' death and resurrection.

We will also be celebrating the events of Holy Week through our daily collective worship.

The children will have the opportunity to spend some time in our prayer garden to reflect on the scripture of Holy Week. Our KS2 children in school will also be visiting the Stations of the Cross that we will be preparing outside in our school grounds.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

On Wednesday this week, our children from Christ the King were invited to church to make their First Reconciliation.

The children have all worked really hard with their parents and carers in preparing online for this special sacrament.

I would like to thank our catechists Mrs Jackson and Mrs Holt for all their time and support with the online sacramental preparation classes. Thank you to Fr Neil for organising the service and helping this to go ahead during these difficult times of the pandemic.

If you were unable to commit to the preparation classes this year but wish your child to take the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please do not worry as there will be an opportunity next year. We will send further information out when the sessions commence again.

Jesus, in the darkness of the tomb,
you were surrounded by love,
by grief and by fear.
Walk with us
May we feel the comfort
of your love for us.
And may we turn outwards
to share that love with others,
with the same generosity and gentle loving
kindness
that you showed to all.
Walk with us Jesus,
Amen.



COVID-19 Testing for Parents and Families

All parents/families can now access lateral flow home testing kits. I strongly encourage all **our** families at Christ the King to take up this opportunity to keep our school community safe. The link to sign up to the twice weekly tests is below. Please remember if your child or a member of your family have any symptoms you must book in for a PCR test at your nearest test centre and the children must remain at home until results have been confirmed.

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

Attendance

Year Group	Attendance
Year R/1	96.07%
Year 1/2	93.06%
Year 3	96.36%
Year 4	92.45%
Year 5	96.92%
Year 6	94.68%

Well done to Year 5 who have had the highest attendance this week at 96.92%.

Table Tennis Donation

We are very fortunate to have had two table tennis tables donated to Christ the King from Roxy Ballroom in Leeds.

A big thank you to John Crowe and his team who even delivered them to the doorstep! The children are already enjoying developing their hand eye co-ordination skills and challenging each other to a game.



English Hub Review

This week we have had a review of our phonics and reading in school by Ms Spencer from the DFE English Hub. She recognised the high standard of phonics teaching and reading in our school. We are also looking forward to putting into action the suggestions she has made about enhancing our provision even further.

As you will know, reading is such an important skill. It supports the children with all other aspects of the curriculum. We ask that all parents and carers help us to instil the love of reading in our children in school by sharing their love of books. Please do take time to read with your child every day at home. Even just 5 minutes makes such a difference!

Parents' Evening

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended our online parents evening this week. If you struggled to get online, please contact your child's class teacher on the dojo app and they will be happy to talk to you.

Charity Easter Egg Raffle

Thank you all for supporting us with our Easter Egg raffle for our charities, The Good Shepherd Appeal and The Little Sisters of the Poor. If the children haven't bought a ticket yet, there is still time! Tickets are £1.00 each and can either be purchased online through ParentPay, or purchased in class with children bringing in the money for their tickets. The last day to purchase a ticket will be Wednesday 31st March and the draw will take place in each class on Thursday 1st April.

Easter Holidays

School will close on Thursday next week for the start of the Easter holidays. The staff and I would like to wish all of our families a happy and holy Easter break. We will look forward to seeing all of our children back in school on Monday 19th April.

Miss Clark
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