



# Newsletter for week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 Virtue to Live by for next week: I can forgive others.







A big welcome back to all of our children following the National Lockdown due to COVID19. We have been so excited to see all of our children back in the building again after what seems like a very long time of remote learning! It was wonderful to see the children running and skipping into school on Monday with huge smiles on their faces.

I just want to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents and carers for helping their children to engage with the remote learning lessons provided. We know that it has not always been easy but you have done a great job! I also want to thank our teachers and support staff who have worked tirelessly throughout to provide lessons, resources and support for all of our children both in school and at home.

#### **Attendance**

I think we have seen some of the highest percentage attendance figures to date this week – amazing! Let's hope that we keep the virus at bay and all of our class bubbles remain open. Please help us to do this by ensuring that you are following the government guidelines at all times, particularly those surrounding household mixing.

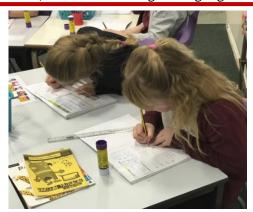
Attendance this week	
Year Group	Percentage
	Attendance
Year R/ 1	99.55%
Year 1/2	97.84%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	98.66%
Year 5	98.08%
Year 6	97.37%

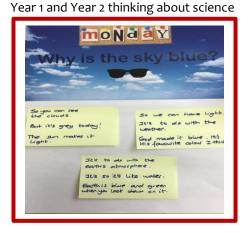
# **British Science Week**

This week we have been honouring British Science week with some scientific questions from Mrs Smith our Science Leader in school to consider each day. Questions have included: Why do elephants have trunks and how does a helicopter stay in the sky? The children have come up with some thoughtful answers. If the children are feeling inspired, they can always visit the British Science Week website to complete in the British Science week competition. It would be fantastic to see some entries from Christ the King – a great activity for the weekend!

https://www.britishscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/poster-competition/

Year 4 back into the swing of things again





#### Virtues to Live by

Next week we will be introducing our new virtue "forgiveness". We will be reflecting upon this in the weeks leading up to Easter.

# Why Practise Forgiveness?

Jesus teaches us that God has forgiven us much so we ought to forgive others in return. Forgiveness is very important in life, because we make choices that hurt ourselves and others. If we are sorry for something that we have done or failed to do, then we can forgive ourselves. If we can forgive ourselves we can move forward and learn from mistakes and moral failures. If we forgive others for something they have done wrong, we show that our relationship with them is stronger than the wrong they committed.

#### How do we Practise Forgiveness?

By admitting our failures and wrong doing and letting go of our feelings of sadness, shame or anger so that we make a new start, asking God to give us the courage to change. We can forgive people who have done wrong to us or others by letting go of our strong feelings of resentment that can manifest themselves in keeping a record of wrongs or holding a grudge or revenge and instead treat people with gentleness and mercy.

# Parent Consultation Meetings

We will be sending out invitations shortly to sign up to parents' evening consultation sessions with your child's class teacher. The parent consultation meetings will take place on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March between 5:00pm and 6:30pm and Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March between 3:30pm and 5:00pm. Due to the current COVID restrictions, the consultations will take place online using our parents evening system. Please do make sure that you log in a few minutes prior to the meeting to ensure that you have the full allocated time to talk with your child's class teacher.

# **Mothering Sunday**

A happy Mothering Sunday to all of our mums, grandmas, nans and other special guardians who look after us each and every day. I do hope that the children spoil you all and you are treated to a relaxing day.

# A prayer for Mothers' Day

Heavenly Father, hold my mother close to your heart in the way that I hold her close to mine. Let her know today and everyday how much I love her. Lord comfort her mind and reassure her that her motherly care is everything we need and want and that I love her dearly. Amen



# Admissions to Primary School September 2021

We have now ranked all of the children who have applied for places at Christ the King for September 2021. If you know of any parents and carers who have not yet applied, although the deadline has passed, they can still get in contact with Leeds admissions on the website below:

https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-for-a-primary-school Leeds admissions will be in contact with all parents who have applied for primary places with offers on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April. We are excited to start welcoming our new families and children when offers have been sent out and accepted.

#### St Patrick's Day

Next Wednesday is St Patrick's day. Our Year R/Year 1 class have organised a St Patrick's Day Parade in the playground to raise some money for their class charity. They are inviting all of the children across school to join them in celebrating St Patrick's Day by wearing green items of clothing for the day and making a donation to their class charity.

#### Easter Egg Lenten fundraising raffle

A reminder that during the Lenten period, we will be fundraising for the Good Shepherd Appeal and The Little Sisters of the Poor. We will be holding an Easter Egg raffle for all classes across school. If you haven't already, you can enter the Easter egg raffle by purchasing tickets through the online Parent Pay system labelled "charity".

Tickets cost £1 and there will be Easter Egg prizes for every class. The teaching staff and support staff have very kindly donated the Easter eggs.



Perhaps a suggestion might be that during Lent, the children could do a few extra chores or good deeds to earn the money to buy the raffle tickets.

I would like to thank you all for your support with these charities during this time. We are looking forward to drawing the raffle at the end of the term.

Miss Clark (Headteacher)

#### Dates for your Diary

14.03.21 - Mothering Sunday
17.03.21 - St Patrick's Day
19.03.21 - St Joseph's Day
20.03.21 - World Storytelling Day
25.03.21 - The Annunciation
01.04.21 - National Autism Awareness Month
24.03.21 - Online Parents' Evening
25.03.21 - Online Parents' Evening
28.03.21 - Palm Sunday
01.04.21 - End of Spring Term 2 and start of Easter Holiday