

End of Term Newsletter
Friday 17th December



***Wishing you all a happy and
holy Christmas.
Enjoy the blessings of the season.***



Dear Parents/Carers,

2021 has been an unforgettable year for many reasons! Despite the many challenges we have all faced, it has highlighted the resilience, determination and the strength of character we have as a school community. I am extremely proud of all the pupils at Christ the King; they are a joy and make all the efforts worthwhile. It has been a pleasure to witness how the children have embraced the Christmas spirit in recent weeks. We hope by sharing your child's performances in the Nativity that you too were able to experience some of the unique Christmas joy that our children bring!

I would also like to extend my sincerest thanks to the whole staff team, who at every opportunity, go above and beyond to support our pupils. We are so fortunate to have a truly dedicated staff team, who put the pupils at the heart of everything they do.

Finally, thank you and well done to all of our wonderful Parents/Carers for supporting your children and for your encouragement to the school at every Stage- it is a pleasure to work in partnership with you all. Take time for yourselves and your families at this important part of the Church's year. A time to think of others, to be with family members; hopefully we will all have a safe, happy, and holy Christmas.

Nativity Dress Up Day!

Today, the whole school enjoyed participating in a Nativity dress up day! It was wonderful to see the children excited about the Nativity and to think about the events of the first Christmas. There was also lots of excitement in school when the real-life donkeys arrived!! We hope that you enjoyed our staff welcome on the school gates this morning; we really enjoyed singing to all the Parents/Carers and children as they arrived! It certainly got us in the festive spirit!



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 4th January
Staff Training Day

Wednesday 5th January
School Reopens for all pupils

Monday 10th January
Netball Club resumes

Tuesday 11th January
Joy Class Mass

Year 2 Booster Club

Wednesday 12th January
8.00am
Year 6 morning boosters resume

1.30
Years 5 & 6 Safety
Awareness Workshop

Leeds United Foundation
After School Club

Thursday 13th January
Year 5 Residential Herd Farm

Year 6 After School
Boosters Resume

Faithfulness Class (Y6)
Collective Worship

Tuesday 18th January
Kindness Class Mass
(Y 1/2)

Thursday 20th January
Peace Class (Y5)
Collective Worship

Tuesday 25th January
Generosity Class (Y2/3)
Collective Worship

Bishop Marcus Visits Christ the King

Bishop Marcus visited Christ the King on Thursday afternoon. During his visit, he personally thanked the staff for their hard work in making Christ the King the wonderful school community it is. He also sent his good wishes onto our fantastic pupils and their families during this festive season.



Christmas Dinner & Christmas Parties

Mrs Borthwick and her wonderful catering team served another outstanding Christmas dinner this week in school. Everyone enjoyed their delicious dinners and Christmas parties-it was wonderful to see so many smiling faces around school!



Thursday 27th January
Patience Class (Year 4)
Collective Worship

Friday 4th February
NSPCC Number Day
(Dress up day!)

Tuesday 8th February
Peace Class (Y5) Class
Mass

Thursday 10th February
Kindness Class (Year 1/2)
Collective Worship

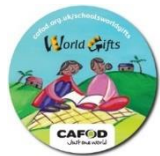
Tuesday 15th February
Faithfulness Class (Y6)
Class Mass

Wednesday 16th February
3.30-5.00
Parent/Carer Consultation
Evening

Thursday 17th February
Joy Class (Reception)
Collective Worship

Parent/Carer Consultation
Evening
5.00-6.30

Friday 18th February
3.15pm
Half Term Break



CAFOD World Gift Winners

Faithfulness Class (Year 6) hosted a CAFOD raffle and raised money to buy several world gifts for some vulnerable families. Thank you for your kindness and generosity when buying raffle tickets-you have made a huge difference to the lives of others.

Santa Clause is coming to..... Christ the King!

Although Santa is extremely busy at this time of year, he managed to fit in a special visit to Christ the King today! He visited each class and gave every child a gift. Santa and the Mini Vinnies thanked each class for their 'Reverse Santa' initiative, which involved bringing in donations to support others in need this Christmas. A huge thank you to our wonderful families, who once again have beautifully demonstrated the virtues of love and charity. Lots of food parcels were sent to the North & West Leeds Foodbank and the lovely gifts were donated to Mission Christmas. You truly are a beacon of light and should be extremely proud of yourselves.

Santa was so impressed with this gesture of generosity and the children's excellent behaviour in school, that he wanted to let our school community know that we are all on the nice list! What fantastic news this is!



A Fond Farewell to Mrs Jones

How do we begin to thank Mrs Jones for her dedication to Christ the King Catholic Primary? Mrs Jones has been an invaluable member of the Senior Leadership Team for past 6 years, and has made a considerable impact upon how far the school has come on its educational journey. Not only has she taught many pupils during her time at Christ the King, but she has diligently led the English Curriculum, created a stunning Prayer Garden and introduced the school library. She is truly inspirational and we have been so lucky to have her on our staff team.

After over 30 years in the teaching profession, she has decided to take a well-deserved rest and begin her retirement. She has touched the hearts of the whole school community and she will be greatly missed by the whole team. Enjoy your retirement, Mrs Jones, you deserve every happiness in the future. Good luck and God Bless you Mrs Jones. We hope that you look back on your time at Christ the King with great fondness and know that you will always have a special place in our hearts.



I hope you all have a wonderful and well-deserved Christmas with your families. I wish you all a happy and healthy New Year, and I look forward to seeing you all back in school again, on Wednesday 5th January 2022. May God gift us all good health, and a renewed energy to move into 2022.

Mrs Waide

Interim Head of School



Merry Christmas from all the staff at Christ the King Catholic Primary School.

The Greatest Gift of All

If you seek a special gift,
The greatest gift of all,
Don't look beneath your tree,
It was never there at all,
The greatest Christmas gift,
Was given to us all
The Christ child in a manger
In a lowly cattle stall.

