



Christ the King

Year 2 Autumn 1 2023—Newsletter

Learning together in faith, hope and love.



Dear Parents,

We hope that the children have had a wonderful summer break. We do know that children may be a little unsettled at the beginning of the year as they get used to school routines and staff again. We have therefore prioritised the children's wellbeing this week and given them many opportunities to learn and repeat new routines to build up confidence with our Year 2 expectations. Thank you so much for supporting your children on their return to school with our routines, having them ready for learning and arriving at the classroom on time. It has been great to meet all of the children this week and they have completed some fantastic learning which they can tell you about, exploring the theme of 'Under the sea, plastic free.'

Once we have celebrated Mary's birthday this week, Year 2 learning will progress on to a variety of themes: In Design Technology children will be exploring flavours and fillings in food wraps; in Geography children will be learning to map simple routes including identifying direction and landmarks along the journey; in Science the children will be recapping what they have learned about plants and growth and then move on to planting and monitoring the growth of beans and bulbs. The stories we will use this half term will link with our Gospel Value question 'How Do We Show Kindness?'

If you have any queries, please do speak to a member of the Year 2 team at the end of the day. We look forward to a busy start to a successful year of progress in Year 2

Year 2 Team—Miss Leslie & Mrs Sargeant

Read, Read, Read!

We expect all children to read **daily** for at least 15 minutes and have an adult's reading signature in their Reading Record each day to evidence this. We will update Records and reading on Mondays and Thursdays.

Reading is a lifelong skill that is needed in every subject throughout education and beyond.

We truly agree with Doctor Seuss: *"The more you read, the more you know; The more you know, the more places you will go!"*

This is the platform we will be using to communicate to all parents. Please make sure you have joined your child's class by clicking the relevant link sent previously. Thank you to those families who have already done this. The children are already earning Dojos linked to our new Class Charters that they have helped to write; The children also know that they earn Dojos linked to positive learning effort.



On Your Mark, Get Set... READ!

Diary Dates!

14th September New year school mass 9.30am

19th September KS1 Meet the teacher meeting 3.15pm

28th September KS1 Phonics screen workshop 3.15pm

29th September Grandparents afternoon 2.30pm

4th October Feast of St Francis wear something yellow

5th October PTFA Disco

6th October Harvest mass 9.30am

17th October individual photos

17th October & 19th October parent consultations 3.15-6pm

19th PTFA Crazy hair day

20th October Inset Day—no school for children

Key Information and Reminders

- P.E is on a **Monday and Thursday**. Please send your child in to school on these days **wearing their P.E kit** instead of school uniform, along with shoes they are able to do up independently. If your child is wearing lace up trainers we do expect them to be able to fasten them, themselves.
- Earrings need to be covered with tape or removed before school on PE days.
- Please ensure your child always has a water bottle that is clearly labelled every day. They can fill at our class water stations.
- It is vital you have provided the class with any current inhalers your child is prescribed.
- It is also vital that any change to collection is notified in writing via the office please.