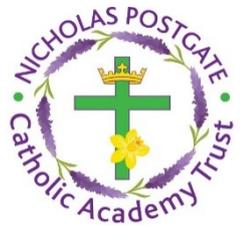




Christ the King Catholic Primary School

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Monday 8th October 2018

Dear parents and carers,

We have had a very positive start to the new academic year. The children (and teachers) have settled well into their new classes and there is a great learning buzz around school.

As a Catholic school it is part of our mission to reach out to those in need, through our prayers and in more practical ways, offering support to others in the best way we can. This is certainly something that we do really well at Christ the King!



Many thanks to all who attended our Macmillan Coffee Morning, it was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents joining us. A huge thank you to our School Council who planned and hosted it, we raised the fantastic total of £250. During our Friday assembly, we remembered in pray all those who work for the Macmillan charity and the many people that they help.



Last week in school, we celebrated 'Little Way Week' where the children learned about the life of St Therese of Lisieux and her little ways of sharing God's love with others. In school, and hopefully at home, the children were carrying out little acts of kindness, following the example of St Therese. As this was our focus last week



we deferred our CAFOD Family Fast Day, which we will now celebrate on Friday 12th October. The theme for this year's Family Fast Day is 'Brighten Up' so we have invited the children to come to school in brightly coloured clothes, and in return, bring either £1 donation to CAFOD or some tinned/packet food for Thornaby Food Bank.

During break times on Friday our Mini-Vinnies will be doing face painting and painting nails to help us to 'Brighten Up'. They will charge 20p and all money raised will be sent to CAFOD.



This Thursday, 11th October, we will celebrate Mass at Christ the King Church to give thanks for our new school year, new children and families to our school and our new staff. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Pat and begin at 10am. You are very welcome to attend Mass and celebrate with us.



Just to remind you, Parent/Teacher consultation appointments have been made for the week beginning Monday 15th October. We look forward to seeing you there to discuss your child's progress and next steps in learning.

Over the next few weeks our staff are spending time updating our school website, adding lots of useful information about our school curriculum and the many different learning opportunities our children benefit from. As you will have seen if you follow us on Twitter, the children of Christ the King have certainly enjoyed lots of new learning so far this term!

As a school we are very lucky to benefit from the financial support of parents and parishioners who are members of Christ the King 200 Club. This club has supported school in the past in various different ways and is managed by the parishioners of Christ the King, Mrs Dixon, Mrs Woodhouse and Mrs McReddie. We are very grateful to these ladies for giving up their time to organise the 200 Club for us. Over the course of this academic year we will be using the funds raised by the 200 Club to purchase some very much needed new books for our school reading scheme. This is something that all of our children will greatly benefit from. If you are already a member of our 200 Club, then a big thank you for your support. It is greatly appreciated. If you would like to join it costs just £4 per month, which can be made by direct debit/standing order, or as a one off payment of £48 for the year. Each applicant is allocated a number which is put into a monthly draw. Each month there are three prizes, 1st = £75, 2nd = £50 and 3rd = £25. The draw takes place on the last Sunday of the month after 9am Sunday Mass at Christ the King Church. A cheque is posted out to the winners and names added to the Sunday bulletin. If you would like to join our 200 Club then please see our school office staff to request an application form. We are very grateful for all the support we receive.



Thank you for all the support you give to our school.

Kind regards,

Miss Lickess

Head of School

