



Christ the King Catholic Primary School

We love, aspire and serve with Christ our King

Friday 18th November 2022

Dear Families,

Week 10

This week we have marked Anti-Bullying week, we have had visits from NSPCC and from BTales to help spread the message about reaching out. We've shared the definition of bullying as "Bullying is the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. It can happen face to face or online." If you have any concerns about this, in the first instance please speak to your child's class teacher.

We've reminded children that reaching out is as simple as just asking if someone is OK, but other times the act of reaching out can be a very hard thing for someone to do. It can take a lot of courage to reach out, but it can make a huge positive difference. More information can be found at: <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/parents-and-carers>

You will have noticed the Traffic Wardens visiting Fieldway and Meadway recently to ensure that we are keeping our children safe from harm and to keep our roads clear especially so emergency vehicles can have access to school and the roads around school. We have had a meeting with the Police and our local councillor, Clare McIntyre who is also one of our Governors. All our neighbours have received letters asking them to suggest ways forward and to report any illegal and anti-social parking to the police and the council.

Congratulations to the following classes who are above our attendance target of 97% for this week: **Cherry 98%, Hazel 98%, Willow 97%, Beech 98%, Pine 100%, Sycamore 100 %, Birch 99%, and Cedar 97%.** Well done to Year 4 – all children in all week! Let's see who will be able to improve their attendance again next week? If you need support with attendance, please contact Me or Mrs Pyper in the office.

Mrs Kinsella has sent information out about our book swap across the school. Book swaps can be a great way to share your love of reading and discover exciting new books, and also give children the opportunity to choose a book for themselves that excite them and start to build a lifelong love of reading. Books swaps will take place in class; each class will have their own book swap station. We hope as many children as possible will take part. We are looking at having the same opportunity for parents too – watch this space.

This Sunday is the Feast of Christ the King and our School Choir will be singing at the 9:30am Mass in Christ the King Church, Father Colin would love to see as many families as possible joining together to celebrate our special feast day. Our celebrations continue Monday, with a whole school Mass in church. We are inviting all of the school community to wear a crown and if they are able to bring a donation for the food bank, this is a lovely way of living out our Mission Statement – especially love and serve.

Sunday is also World Children's Day, this is a day to celebrate the power of children to change the world. It is UNICEF's global day of action for children, by children, marking the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) on November 20. It highlights critical issues affecting children's lives, builds awareness of UNICEF's work, and supports the empowerment of children and young people as advocates for their own rights. Miss Meadow's is leading our school's application to be a Rights Respecting School and I'm sure you've seen the newsletters she sends home.

I hope you enjoy your weekend,

David Delaney
Head Teacher

