Friday 13th January 2023

Dear Families,

Week 16

It's been a really busy week this week and it does feel that we've been back longer than we have. We've been grateful for the days we have been able to get outside for break and lunch – no one likes 'wet play'! A plea to make sure names are in coats please – our lost property is getting full again!

Our Key Stage 2 Boccia team had a fantastic competition on Monday, coming second place which means they have earned a place in the finals later this term. Year 5 have started their swimming lessons and music lessons are all back in action. It was great to see clubs starting again this week with some new additions to the timetable including bingo!

We are very proud of those children who have been chosen to represent Liverpool at the Merseyside County Primary Schools' Cross-Country Championships in March – congratulations to Bobby, Sam B, Nancy, Henry, Sam S and Andrew.

If you have any Nativity costumes or Christmas Jumpers that you no longer require, please send these in to school and we will keep them ready for our costume and jumper swap in December! Just hand to class teachers or to the office.

This afternoon I will meet with the Archdiocese and the contractors who will be working on our long-awaited new roof! I'll keep you up to date with how this will progress in the coming weeks, we hope to keep disruption to a minimum however there may be some changes to drop off and collection during the project. We are grateful to the Archdiocese for funding this work. The original roof has served us well over the last 70 years.

Along with this letter you should have received the list of dates for the Spring Term – there is a lot going on, you will receive letters from your class teacher about the We Love Learning Sessions we have planned for this term. On Friday 20th January we will be celebrating The Lunar New Year – the year of the Rabbit. Children are invited to come into school wearing Red or Gold/Yellow and will take part in different activities throughout the day. The lunch on that day will be Asian themed rather than the usual 'Fishy Friday'.

Life is always full of comings and goings, and school is no different. Ms Bennett, one of our Learning Support Assistants in Year 1 is leaving us today temporarily to begin her maternity leave. We are all looking forward to the arrival of another CTK baby in the coming weeks and we hope she gets some time to rest before the baby arrives. Mrs Kinsella is due to start her maternity at the end of the Spring Term, and the current plan is for her last day in Maple Class being Friday 31st March, update you to who will be covering Maple Class after half term.

Mrs Pooke has worked at Christ the King for the last 23 years as part of our Learning Support and Inclusion Team and she has made the decision to retire at the end of the Spring Term. Her last day with us will be Friday 31st March. There will be time later in the term for us to acknowledge the incredible contribution she has made to our community and for us to say Thank you.

Applications for Reception 2023/24 close on Sunday 15th January. If you are applying for a place you must complete the online application to the Local Authority as well as sending the supplementary faith form and Baptismal certificate to intake2023@ctkliverpool.co.uk If you have any questions please contact the school office before 4:30pm today! I hope Year 1 enjoy their PTA event this evening at space world and everyone has a good weekend break. The Ski group are on the one-week countdown – Mr Brady is very excited.

David Delaney Head Teacher

















