

# Term 6—Newsletter No. 33

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## Year 6 shine at Morfa Bay

Our Year 6 children had an amazing time on the Year 6 residential in Morfa Bay, Wales. They had the chance to try so many new activities, in all weathers, including Body Boarding, Mud Assault Course, Zip Line, Crate Stacking, Archery, Rocky Shores, Team Challenge and Abseiling. Every evening, the children



#### Dates for terms 6:

July 2025				
Date	Year Group	Event	Time	
Friday 11th July	Whole School	Funky Friday—Please bring £1 donation	All day	
Friday 11th July	Whole School	School led Clubs finish		
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 and 6	Performance of the Years 5 and 6 productions	2:00pm	
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 and 6	Performance of the Years 5 and 6 productions. Children to return to school at 6:00pm	6:30pm	
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	End of term Awards Assembly – all families welcome	9:30am	
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	School Reports sent home		
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Whole School	Leaver's Mass – all families welcome	10:00am	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Whole School	Leaver's Assembly – all families welcome	9:30am	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Whole School	End of the school year and school finishes at 2:00pm	2:00pm	
	Summer holidays	- Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July to Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2025		

September 2025				
Date	Class/Year Group	Event	Time	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Whole School	INSET DAY – school closed to all pupils	All day	
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Whole School	INSET DAY – school closed to all pupils	All day	
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Whole School	Start of Term 1 for Years 1 to 6	8:45am	
Tuesday 30th	Whole School	Individual School Photos		

## **Year 1 Animal Encounters**

Year 1 had a great trip last Wednesday. The class walked to Christ the King Church Hall and met Bradley and Jasmine from Bristol Reptile Encounters who ran an animal workshop. Bradley and Jasmine brought 6 reptiles with them which all of the children got to stroke or hold. The children were excellent and learnt lots of interesting facts about the different reptiles. They were really impressed with the questions the children asked and how sensible and inquisitive they were. We then enjoyed our packed lunches in the church prayer garden before coming back to school for the afternoon.

# Some interesting facts about the different reptiles the children learnt:

Herman tortoise – Herman 27 years old

Can live to 80 Loves strawberries

Has a beak

Rainbow - ball python - royal python

Central and Southern Africa

Go into a ball when scared

10-12 years old

Can live up to 40 years old in captivity

In the wild up to 20 years old

Holes above his nose - heat picks (how they can

Eyesight not the greatest but can see in heat. Can't

Coco - Bearded Dragon

from Australia - hot sandy

Snakes and birds eat coco

About 5 years old

3 eyes

see colour

#### Cuddles - Boa constrictor

Don't know age Very long

Very heavy Female - lays snakes

9 and a half foot long

Gives birth to baby snakes -

doesn't lay eggs

Sheds her skin

#### Corn snake - Theodore

From all over America - Florida Tongue comes out - to smell and to taste the air - comes into back of mouth -Jacob's organ that changes into smell Eats a mouse - every 2 weeks About 12 years old

Teddy - Lizard

slow worm - lizards - closely linked

European legless lizard

Not a snake - different tongue (round tongue) and has evelids

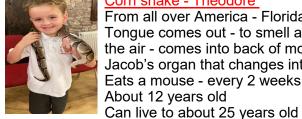
1 bottom jaw - Eats insects and snails

External ears

Line down the side - so he can breathe

Very Long tail - tail can fall off

Drop their tail to stop getting eaten by predators





# Reception at Ragland Farm

The Reception Class had a fantastic trip to Raglan Farm Park in Wales on Wednesday. We saw goats, alpacas, donkeys and horses and fed them carrots. We played outside on the play equipment and the zip wires. We tried to have lunch outside but the wasps wanted to eat all our food so we ended up eating in one of the play barns.

After lunch we had the choice of 3 play barns to play in. There was a huge inflatable tractor that was great fun and 3 big soft plays. We stopped for an ice cream and then had fun on the bouncy castles before heading back to school. We were exhausted but had the best day ever!



# School Reports

All children will receive their end year school reports on Friday 18th July. In the Report envelope there will be:



- A School report from your class teacher
- An Attendance certificate
- An Attendance letter
- A letter from their new teacher (except Year 6)
- A feedback form
- A results information sheet for children in EYFS, Years 1, 4 and 6.

# School dinners

**School Dinners** 

In September 2025, the cost of a school dinner will be £2.60 for children in Years 3,4,5 and 6. Children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 have free school dinners.



Remember to book all school dinners on ParentPay.

You can apply for Free School dinners on the South Gloucestershire Council website <a href="https://find-information-for-adults-children-families.southglos.gov.uk/kb5/southglos/directory/advice.page?id=yp4evwg7Duw#meals1">https://find-information-for-adults-children-families.southglos.gov.uk/kb5/southglos/directory/advice.page?id=yp4evwg7Duw#meals1</a>

#### Year 2's Wild Day Out at Bristol Zoo Project

What a fantastic day we had on our trip to the Bristol Zoo Project this Thursday!

Despite the summer heat, Year 2 were absolute superstars—full of energy, curiosity and excitement from start to finish.

With the sun shining brightly, we made sure to keep cool with plenty of water, hats and shady spots whenever possible. The children coped brilliantly, and we are so proud of them.

One of the highlights of the day was seeing the giraffes up close. We were all amazed by how tall they were—and how gracefully they moved around their enclosure. The children asked some brilliant questions and learned lots of interesting facts about these gentle giants.

Another great moment was watching the bears as they relaxed in the shade in Bear Wood and trying to see the wolverines which were very good at hiding.

Of course, the best part of the trip was simply being together. It was lovely to see the children laughing with their friends and enjoying the chance to explore somewhere new as a class.

A big thank you to our parent helpers and staff who supported the trip—we couldn't have done it without you! Well done, Year 2, for representing our school so brilliantly.



Please can all children bring in a carrier bag into school on Monday 14th July so they can bring home their school books from this school year.



#### **Years 5 and 6 Production**

We are all getting very excited about the

Years 5 and 6 performance of "The Greatest Show"

There are two performances on: Tuesday 15th July at 2:00pm Thursday 17th July at 6:30pm

Years 3 and 4 will watch the performance on Wednesday

15th July and we encourage any younger siblings to come during the afternoon performance. Reception, Years 1 and 2 are watching the performance in school on Monday 14th July. There are no tickets required to watch the productions.

On Thursday 18th July, please could all performers return to school at 6:00pm ready to start the performance at 6:30pm.

Thank you.

# **Mrs Griffiths**

We say a fond and heartfelt goodbye to Mrs Griffiths, who is leaving Christ the King after an incredible 15 years of service.

Mrs Griffiths has been a much-loved member of the CTK community. During

her time at CTK she has taken on many important roles—a Teaching Assistant, SENTA and Breakfast Club. In every role, she has brought warmth, love and care which has made a difference to our children at CTK.

She has been a calm, reassuring presence for so many children over the years, offering encouragement, support, and always going the extra mile to ensure every child felt safe, valued, and cared for.

It's hard to imagine CTK without her. Mrs Griffiths has been part of the heart of this school for so long, and her kindness, dedication, and encouragement will be deeply missed by everyone. We wish Mrs Griffiths all the best with her next adventures.

# Years 3 and 4 at We are the Curious

Year 3 and 4 enjoyed a fantastic trip to We the Curious. They got to experience a large array of different science experiments. Learning about how light can be used to create

images and rainbows. Different ways in which sound can be created and manipulated for different purposes and how different materials have different effects and purposes in the world. They even got a chance to have a go at some of their own animation designs too. It was a day full of creativity, experimentation and fun.





#### Last week of Term:

Celebration Assembly We have lots of special events over the last seven days in school to say goodbye to our Year 6 learners and staff who are leaving CTK– Mrs Linehan, Mrs Griffiths, Miss Bamford, Miss Phipps, Mr Craine and Mrs Selassie plus celebrate our school.

Friday 18th July - End of Year School Celebration Assembly at 9.30am, where we give out three annual awards for Effort, Progress and our special Glenn Mallard Award. Our Choir and Recorders club plus Red Music drumming pupils will also be performing. All families are welcome to attend the assembly.

#### Our Awards are:

- Effort Award to a child who has made effort in their learning and tried really hard throughout the school year.
- Progress Award is given to a child who has made the most progress in their learning throughout the school year.
- The Glenn Mallard Award will be presented to a child who has demonstrated our school values and made a difference to others with their actions.

Monday 21st July—Leavers Mass at 10:00am and all Year 6 families welcome to attend.

Monday 21st July —Staff Leavers Assembly at 2:00pm for the whole school.

Tuesday 22nd July—Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 9.30am and all families welcome to attend.

School finishes at 2:00pm on Tuesday 22nd July 2025.