

# Term 2—Newsletter No. 9

# NGWS Gtter Wk 2 - 14th November



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#### **Rockhampton Folk Festival comes to CTK**

On Monday 10th November the whole of CTK had a phenomenal afternoon – two very interesting and special people came in called "Embrace me". They have been playing at Rockhampton Folk Festival and brought 3 instruments. We travelled around the world but stayed in our seats with music from many different cultures and countries. First we travelled to Ghana and learned how to speak and sing in Akan.

Our second musical journey was to Jamaica and then Brazil, we sang Bob Marley - Three Little Birds. We learnt how to keep a rhythm and create a whole school band using our bodies as percussion instruments. We finished by composing a whole school song by using words that we feel when we heard a piece of music. We came up with the title "Happy". We had so much fun!

By Sienna, Leonardo, Elsie & Zara in Year 5



## Remembrance Day at CTK

We marked Remembrance Day at CTK with a special assembly. Our Year 6 children took a leading role in our Remembrance assembly as they laid our wreath plus read war poetry.

As a school, we marked the two minutes silence at eleven o'clock after listening to the "Last Post".



#### **Years 1 and 2 Nativity Play**

The children in Years 1 and 2 have started practicing for their KS1 Nativity Play called 'Shepards Delights."

There are two performances:

Tuesday 9th December at 2:00pm Thursday 11th December at 6:30pm



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The children will need to return to school on the Thursday 11th December at 6:00pm to get ready for their performance.

EYFS, Years 3 and 4 will watch the dress rehearsal on Monday 8th December and Years 5 and 6 will watch the performance on the Tuesday afternoon.

All families are welcome to both performances.

We are so looking forward to the children performing the Nativity.

#### **EYFS Nativity**

Our Reception learners Nativity Tableaux is on Friday 12th December at 9:30am.

Mrs Wanless will send out information to all families and everyone is welcome to attend.

It is a lovely event as the children perform on the stage for the first time.



## Children in Need

Children can wear **non-school uniform** for Children in Need Day on Friday 14th November. Please can children wear sensible footwear and only studs for earrings— thank you.

It will be an exciting day at CTK as in the afternoon we have the pantomime, "Jack and the Beanstalk".



## **Christ the King Feast Day!**



On Sunday 23rd November 2025 it is Christ the King Feast Day!



This is particularly special this year as it is 100 years since Pope Pius XI instituted this Feast day to remember that Jesus is King of all Creation.

At school, we will be celebrating our Feast day on Friday 21st November.

The whole school will be walking to Christ the King Church in the morning to celebrate Mass.

We would be very grateful if anyone would be able to walk there and back with us. We will be leaving at approx. 9.45am and should be back at school by 12.15pm. Please let the school office know if you are able to help as soon as possible.

We will be having a Crown Competition in school on Friday 21st Nov. If the children would like to make a crown at home, we will be judging them during the day.

We will be having a special McKing lunch - fish burger and a special cup cake and doing some craft activities in the afternoon to decorate the school ready for Advent.

In the afternoon, we will be having a cake sale to raise money for Dementia UK. Cakes will cost between 20p and 50p. We would be very grateful if you could bring in cakes to sell and give your child some money to buy a cake please.

Please remember that we are a NUT FREE school. If your child has allergies, it may be best to provide them with some cakes that they can safely eat.

We are very much looking forward to this special day and hope we will have lots of fun!



### CTK at Bristol Bears



Following our Rugby coaching sessions with the Bristol Bears Community Foundation, our CTK Girls Rugby Club were invited to be the Guard of Honour at a Bristol Bear Women's Rugby Match at Shaftesbury Park in Frenchay. The girls also demonstrated their rugby skills with a Tag Rugby game at half

The Bears played a thrilling game against



Saracens, unfortunately The Bears lost the match but the girls all had and amazing experience plus met the players including our World Cup winning Red Roses.





#### **Dates for Term 2**

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3:15pm

Date	Class/Year Group	Event	Time
Tuesday 18th	Whole School	Flu Vaccinations	am
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	New INTAKE 2026	CTK Open Morning – please email the school office for place on a tour.	
Friday21st	Whole School	Christ the King Feast Day Mass and Feast Day activities	s 10:30am
Monday 24th	Year 5 and 6	Girls Football festival	Am
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 and 6	Years 5 and 6 visit to Hampton Court	all day
Friday 28th	Whole School	Non uniform day—please bring in an item for the Christmas Hamper	All day
December 2025			
Tuesday 2nd	Year 4	Year 4 trip to The M Shed in Bristol	All say
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Years 4 and 5	Watching a performance of Once Upon a Winter performed by the Bristol Old Vic at the Christ the King Church	10:00am
Thursday 4th	Whole School	Festive Film Night - more information to follow	3:15pm– 5:00pm
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Years 2 to 6	All school led clubs finish for terms 1 and 2	·
Tuesday 9th	Years 1 and 2	Nativity Play Performance to school and families	2:00pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Years 1 and 2	Nativity Play Performance to families	6:30pm (children to arrive in schoo at 6:00pm)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS – Mercury Class	Nativity Tableaux Performance to families	9:30am
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	PTFA Christmas Day Shop	pm
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Christmas Carol Concert at CTK Parish Church	6:30pm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Christmas Dinner and wear your Christmas jumper to school	
Thursday 18th	Whole School	Advent Mass—all families welcome	10:00am
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Christmas parties—more information to follow	pm
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	End of term Celebration Assembly – all families welcome to attend	9:30am

Monday 22nd December 2025 to Friday 2nd January 2026 Christmas Holidays

Term 3 starts for pupils on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

End of Term 2

## Thornbury Art Trail at CTK

Whole School



Friday19<sup>th</sup>

Year 5 had a special visit from Emily, a muralist, and completed a workshop led by the Thornbury Art Trail. They had to consider what life would be like 100 years from now and created some amazing futuristic art drawings. We had a range of teleporting devices, a submarine car and robots that could do anything you would like them to do! Emily is going to convert their designs into a large mural which will decorate the underpass by Morton Way in Thornbury next year. We can't wait to see it!

