



Term 3—Newsletter No. 15



Newsletter

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Happy New Year 2026!

Happy New Year from everyone at Christ the King Catholic Primary School. We hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas holiday. It is lovely to see all the children settling so quickly back into school life last week and eager to learn.



We hope that January 2026 has started well for you all. All the staff at Christ the King would like to say thank you for the lovely gifts, cards and good wishes we received over the Christmas period.



Our School Value this term at CTK is courage, and our assemblies will be based on encouraging children to have a go at new things, being brave and courageous especially in their learning.

We welcome two new members of staff to CTK this term, Miss Payne and Mrs Dodd to our school community. Miss Payne is our new Year 1 teacher and Mrs Dodd is our new School Business Manager. We wish them both good luck and all the best as they start at CTK.

At the moment Mrs Adams and Mrs Dodd are having a hand over period and Mrs Adams will be leaving CTK on Friday 16th January 2026.



We are delighted to share the wonderful news that Mrs Cartlidge had a baby girl on 31st December 2025 called Lily. The family are all doing well and Oscar is delighted to have a new sister. We are all looking forward to meeting Lily at CTK.

Primary School Admissions 2026

Primary School Admissions 2026 Starting School?

If you have a child born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, then now is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from September 2026 onwards.

You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of the South Gloucestershire Council via their website at <https://beta.southglos.gov.uk/school-admission-arrangements-2026-2027/>

If your child has been baptised and you are applying for to CTK or any faith based school you must also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to the school office

Please ensure you apply by the closing date of **15th January 2026**.



Online Digital Guide

The Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza has published a new guide for families on managing children's digital lives.



The guide has been written with involvement of children throughout the country as technology is changing rapidly especially with the increase use of AI and children's experiences with information online.

To find out more about the guide called, "What I wish my parents or carers knew: A guide for parents on managing children's digital lives", please link on the link below:

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/resource/what-i-wish-my-parents-or-carers-knew-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers-on-managing-childrens-digital-lives/>

Dates for term 3 and 4:

January 2026			
Date	Year Group	Event	Time
Monday 12th	Year 5	Bird Watch with Thornbury Town Council	
Wednesday 14th	Year 5 and 6	Football Club starts	3:15pm –4:15pm
Thursday 15th	Year 4	Road Safety session in school	am
Thursday 15th	Year 6	My Journey Road Safety	am
Thursday 15th	Year 2	Good Spot Road Safety session	am
Thursday 15th	INTAKE 26	Closing date for applications to Primary Schools for new intake for 2026	
Monday 19th	Years 1 to 6	School led clubs start for the terms 3 and 4.	
Thursday 22nd	Year 6	Year 6 visit to the Life Skills centre	pm
Friday 23rd	Whole School	Non –Uniform day for non-perishable items for the PTFA summer fair.	

February 2026			
Date	Year Group	Event	Time
Tuesday 10 th	Whole School	Internet Safety Day at CTK	All day
Tuesday 10th	Year 5	Class Mass	11:00am
Friday 13 th	Whole School	End of term Celebration Assembly - all families welcome	9:30am
Friday 13 th	Whole School	End of term 3	3:15pm

Half – term holidays
Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February 2026
School re-opens for the start of term 4 on Monday 23rd February 2026.

Monday 23 rd	Whole School	Start of term 4	8:45am
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March 2026			
Date	Year Group	Event	Time
Thursday 5 th	Whole School	World Book Day – Please come to school dressed as your favourite book character	
Friday 6 th	Whole School	Explorer Dome in school with the Dome to explore Space and mark the start of Science Week.	
Thursday 12 th	Whole School	Lenten Trail at CTK	
Friday 20 th	Whole School	Non School Uniform Day for the PTFA Summer Fair please bring in Tombola prizes,	
Monday 23 rd – Friday 27 th		Castle School Year 10 Work Experience Week with students at CTK	
Tuesday 24 th	Years 3 and 4	Year 3 and 4 Production – more information to follow	2:00pm
Thursday 26 th	Years 3 and 4	Year 3 and 4 Production – more information to follow	6:30pm (children return to school at 6:00pm)
Friday 27 th	Years 3 and 4	Years 3 and 4 School trip to the Bristol Beacon to watch a performance by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra	More information on timings
Friday 27th	Years 1 to 6	All school led clubs finish for the term.	
Monday 30 th March to Friday 3 rd April	Whole School	Holy week at CTK	



April 2026			
Date	Year Group	Event	Time
Wednesday 1 st	Whole school	Parent's Evening	3:40pm – 6:40pm
Thursday 2 nd	Whole School	End of Term Celebration assembly – all families welcome	9:30am
Thursday 2 nd	Whole School	End of term 4	3:15pm
Friday 3 rd	Whole School	Good Friday – bank holiday and school closed	

Easter holidays
Friday 3rd April –Friday 17th April 2026
School re-opens for the start of term 5 on Monday 20th April 2026



Monday 20 th	Whole school	Start of term 5	8:45am
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