



Weekly Newsletter

18th September 2026

Welcome!

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our families especially the new pupils in our early years classes . Parents will have noticed that we now have a new look newsletter at the beginning of this academic year . We have some great plans for 2026-27 and look forward to the months ahead. Best Wishes , Mrs S. Miles (Headteacher)



For more news and updates, visit our website: <https://www.christthekingcathprm.co.uk>
or follow us on Instagram *****

Key dates

- Christ the King Church Family Mass - 20/9/26 9.30
- Meet the teacher - Next week

Contents

- Attendance
- Residential and meetings
- Parent Governor nominations
- Secondary school applications
- Cardiff County School Grants information
- Academic Year Dates

Attendance

Parents are reminded that any type of absence from school must first be requested by email to Mrs Miles at christthekingprm@cardiff.gov.uk

For safeguarding reasons any late arrivals must be accompanied to the Junior playground gate and handed over to a member of staff by an adult.

If your child is unwell, we request a telephone absence message or email to be left before 9.30am giving the nature of the illness/reason for absence.

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	95.89%	95.17%	89.66%	92.33%	93.45%	95.85%	94%
Minutes late	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Family Mass

The 9.30am Mass at Christ the King on Sunday 20th September will be a family Mass. The intention for this Mass will be offered up for Annabel and all members of our school community are welcome.

JUNIOR CLUB

The Junior club returns this evening, 18th September, 6.30 – 7.45pm in the parish centre. All in years 3 – 6 are welcome. Admission £1. Sweets on sale but please bring own bottle with name marked on it for free squash.

To save time if your child would like to come along, please complete an online form beforehand if you can; <https://form.jotform.com/220573374606355>

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM EVEN IF YOU HAVE DONE ONE BEFORE TO ENSURE WE HAVE UP TO DATE DETAILS.

We are in urgent need of new helpers. If you can help once a month please contact Marie (07753439567).

Year 5 Residential

Monday 26th April - Wednesday 28th April

A residential trip has been arranged for Year 5 pupils to attend Manor Adventure. A detailed letter has been shared with parents. Please contact the school office if you have any questions regarding the trip.

Year 6 Residential

Monday 5th April - Wednesday 7th April

A residential trip has been arranged for Year 6 pupils to attend Llangrannog. A detailed letter has been shared with parents. Please contact the school office if you have any questions regarding the trip.

Meet the teacher!

We are delighted to invite parents and carers to our Meet the Teacher sessions taking place next week - Foundation parents are invited to their children's classes, Junior parents will be invited to join online.

These sessions are an opportunity for teachers to introduce themselves, share key information about the year ahead, explain classroom routines and expectations, and outline how you can support your child's learning at home. Staff will also provide important information about curriculum topics, homework, communication and school procedures.

Please note that this is a general information session and not an opportunity to discuss individual children. If you would like to speak to your child's teacher about a specific concern, please arrange a separate appointment through the school office.

We look forward to welcoming you and working together to support a successful year ahead.

Year group	Date/Time
Reception	Tuesday 22nd 3pm
Year 1	Wednesday 23rd 3pm
Year 2	Thursday 24th 3pm

Year group	Date/Time
Year 3	Monday 21st 4.15pm
Year 4	Thursday 24th 4.15pm
Year 5	Thursday 24th 4.15pm
Year 6	Wednesday 23rd 4.15pm

Christ the King Catholic Primary School

Everest Avenue, Llanishen, Cardiff, CF14 5AS.

Tel: 029 20754787

www.christthekingcathprm.co.uk

e-mail: christthekingprm@cardiff.gov.uk

Headteacher: Mrs S M Miles

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY – Christ the King Catholic Primary School

There is currently **one** vacancy for a parent governor on the Governing Body. The purpose of this letter is to invite you to consider serving as a parent governor and to explain the role of the governing body.

The Governing Body's core responsibilities:

- ❑ **Standards** – ensuring a strategic and systematic approach to promoting high standards of educational achievement, attendance and behaviour, including the rigorous review of published performance data;
- ❑ **Targets** – acting as a “critical friend” setting targets by which progress for pupil achievement and outcomes can be measured;
- ❑ **Curriculum** – ensuring all learners have access to a broad and balanced curriculum and that all statutory requirements are met;
- ❑ **Determining the aims, policies and priorities of the school** – involvement in the School Improvement Plan, School Self Evaluation and renewal and approval of statutory policies and documents;
- ❑ **Finance** – determining and monitoring the school budget
- ❑ **Staffing** – deciding the number of staff and involvement in all staffing processes including pay, staff appointments, performance management, suspension, disciplinary issues and dismissal, grievances;
- ❑ **Providing parents with information** – Annual Report to Parents, School Prospectus and meetings requested by parents;
- ❑ **Inspection preparation and follow up** – including producing an action plan and monitoring progress following an Estyn Inspection;
- ❑ **The well being and safeguarding of learners including the promotion of Healthy Eating;**
- ❑ **Awareness of their responsibilities in equality matters and where to seek advice;**
- ❑ **Evaluation of the Governing Body's own performance as and when required.**

Who are Parent Governors

Parent governors are elected as representative of the interests of the parents of pupils. However, parent governors are not mandated delegates of parents. They are a member of a corporate body – the Governing Body – and have the same powers, duties and responsibilities as all other governors. Unless specifically instructed by the governing body, they have no individual powers to make decisions. Parent governors are entitled to exercise the same powers, duties and responsibilities as other governors and have the same rights as other governors. Parent governors are a distinctive category of governor and, as elected representatives, are well placed to understand the needs and points of view of parents.

Parent governors are elected to serve a term of office of 4 years.

What qualifications do School Governors need?

No special qualifications are needed to be a governor. Governors are given full information on their role from the Local Authority in addition to the opportunity to attend training courses.

All new governors have to complete a mandatory induction training programme. New governors and those undertaking a second term of office also have to complete mandatory training on data. Details of this will be provided by the Local Authority.

What do I do next?

If you would like to be a parent governor you need to fill in the nomination form attached to the newsletter and return it to school by Friday 2nd October 2026.

Any nominations received after this date will not be accepted.

If you are unable to print, nomination forms can be found in a word format on the school website under the Key Information/Governors tab. Please complete and email to

christthekingprm@cardiff.gov.uk

Should you experience problems with editing the word document please contact the school office where we can arrange a hard copy to be sent home.

If more nominations are received than there are vacancies, an election will be held which would be decided by a simple majority.

The timescale for any election would be as follows:

Closing date for nominations:	Friday 2nd October 2026
Issue of ballot papers (if election is required):	Wednesday 7th October 2026
Return of ballot papers:	Noon Wednesday 14th October 2026

I hope that you will think about becoming a School Governor. The governing body would welcome your involvement in their essential work to promote the achievement, well being and development of all pupils at the school.

Please think about it.

Yours sincerely

S.Miles

Who can serve as a school governor?

Anyone over 18 years of age can serve as a governor, but the Government of Maintained Schools (Wales) Regulations 2005 provides some exceptions.

You will not be eligible to become a governor or continue to hold office as a governor if any of the following statements apply to you:

- 1 I am intending to apply for an additional governor position at the school at which I am already a governor;
- 2 I am already a governor at two schools;
- 3 I am the governing body clerk at the school for which I am applying;
4. I have been disqualified to serve as a governor at the school for which I am applying during the last 12 months for non-attendance;
 - 1 I am able to be detained under the Mental Health Act 1983;
 - 2 I am subject to a bankruptcy restriction order or an interim order;
 - 3 I have had my estate sequestered and the sequestration order has not been discharged, annulled or rescinded;
 - 4 I am subject to:
 - a) A disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors disqualification Act 1986
 - b) A disqualification order under Part 2 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1989
 - c) A disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002
 - d) An order made under section 492(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under a County Court Administration Order)
 - 1 I have been removed from the office of charity trustees or trustee for a charity by the Charity Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement or under section 7 of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990 from participating in the management or control of any body;
 - 2 I am included in the list of people whose employment is prohibited or restricted under Section 1 of the Protection of Children Act 1999;
 - 3 I am disqualified from working with children or am the subject of a direction by the Welsh Government under section 142 of the Education Act 2002;
 - 4 I have been disqualified from being the proprietor of an independent school;
 - 5 I have received a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months (without the option of a fine) in the five years before becoming a governor or since becoming a governor;
 - 6 I have received a prison sentence of two and a half years or more in the 20 years before becoming a governor;
 - 7 I have at any time received a prison sentence of five years or more;
 - 8 I have been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the 5 years prior to or since appointment or election as a governor;
 - 9 I refuse a request at anytime by a governing body to make an application to the Disclosure and Barring Service for a Disclosure and Barring Certificate (DBS Check) formerly known as CRB Check.

Academic year dates

Christmas Performances

Tuesday 1st December	2pm	Reception
Wednesday 2nd December Thursday 3rd December	2pm	Years 1 and 2
Tuesday 8th December	2pm	Year 3
Wednesday 9th December Thursday 10th December	2pm	Years 4 and 5
Tuesday 15th December	6pm	Year 6

Class liturgies

Friday 9th October	9.15am	Year 1
Friday 16th October	9.15am	Year 5
Wednesday 11th November	10.50am	Year 6
Friday 27th November	9.15am	Year 4
Friday 12th February	9.15am	Year 3
Friday 14th May	9.15am	Year 2
Friday 28th May	9.15am	Reception

Christ The King Primary

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION - NOMINATION FORM

1 Parent / guardian details:

Title	
Surname	
First Names	
Address	
Telephone	
E-Mail	

1 I confirm that I wish to stand as a candidate for a place as a parent governor for

Christ The King Primary School

and confirm I am eligible to do so (please see attached list of exceptions).

1 Signature of parent / guardian _____ Date _____

My child is in Class/Year _____

1 If an election is held, I would like the following information about myself to be circulated to all parents with the ballot paper (**Strictly limited to 50 words maximum. Please note any submission over 50 words would be referred back to you and would delay this process**). If you do not wish to provide any information or the submission space is left blank, your name will still go forward for election without any further details.

The data collected in this form will be used for recruitment purposes. It will be shared with the Headteacher, Clerk to Governors and Local Authority on appointment and will be processed in line with the requirements of the Data Protection Act 2018. For further information on how we process your personal data please refer to our Privacy Policy. This form will be destroyed after 6 months.

*For further information on the School's data protection requirements please contact Katie England, Data Protection Officer, Room 357, County Hall, CF10 4UW,
email: SchoolsInformationManagement@cardiff.gov.uk*

IMPORTANT: This form must be returned to the Headteacher by 3:30pm on Friday 26th September.



Cardiff Council
www.cardiff.gov.uk

Apply now for September 2027 **Secondary School places**

Applications for secondary school places for children due to start Year 7 in September 2027 opened on Friday 4 September 2026. Applications must be submitted by Friday 30 October 2026.

Cardiff Council is urging families to apply on time and make full use of all five school preferences available on the application form.

Choosing only one school can significantly reduce the likelihood of securing a preferred place, while listing multiple preferences gives children the best chance of receiving an offer that meets their needs.

All Year 6 children have received a letter. If you have not received it or it has been misplaced, please let us know.



Cardiff Council
www.cardiff.gov.uk

Apply now for the **School essentials Grant**

If you receive certain benefits, you could get help towards the cost of uniform and school supplies for your child.

You will be entitled to a payment of £125 if your child:

- **attends a maintained primary school**
- **attends a maintained secondary school, or**
- **is aged between 4 to 15 and attends a special school, special needs resource base, or pupil referral unit.**

If your child is starting year 7, you will get £200.

The grant is also available to any looked after child that attends a Cardiff school.

For more information and to apply, follow this link:

<https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/schoolessentialsgrant>

For any other information on grants, follow this link:

<https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/article/2712/Education-and-school-costs>



Cardiff Council
www.cardiff.gov.uk

Free School Meals

All primary school pupils in Cardiff get free school meals through the Universal Free School Meals scheme. Additionally, If your household has a low income, you can apply for Free school meals - Cardiff Council and apply for the school essential grant to help with other school related costs.

Families invited to apply for expanded free school meals scheme for secondary school pupils

Families with children in Years 7 and 8 who receive Universal Credit are now being invited to apply for free school meals.

As part of the Welsh Government's expansion of free school meals for secondary school learners, **all pupils in these year groups living in households claiming Universal Credit are eligible, regardless of income.**

Applications are now open, and families can apply online at: Free school meals - Cardiff Council

Meals will become available no later than January 2027.

After an application has been received, it will be assessed and parents and carers will be contacted once eligibility has been confirmed.

Cardiff Council is working closely with schools and catering teams across the city to prepare for the rollout and preparations are underway to understand the expected demand. This will ensure the necessary staffing, catering capacity and kitchen facilities are in place so that schools are fully prepared to accommodate the additional demand and that eligible learners across Cardiff can benefit from the scheme efficiently.

Once planning work has been completed, a start date for the introduction of meals as soon as is practically possible will be announced. This will be no later than January 2027.

Cardiff Council's Cabinet Member for Education and Lifelong Learning, Cllr Sarah Merry said: "This expansion of free school meals is welcome news for many families and will help ensure more young people can benefit from a meal during the school day.

"We would encourage all parents and carers of eligible Year 7 and Year 8 pupils to apply as soon as possible.

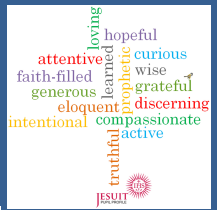
"Cardiff Council is working hard with schools and catering teams across the city to make sure the right staff, facilities and resources are in place to make sure we are ready to deliver the scheme successfully. Eligible pupils will begin receiving free school meals over the coming months and no later than January 2027."

Academic year dates

Term	Term begins	Half term begins	Half term ends	Term ends
Autumn 2026	Tuesday 1st September	Monday 26th October	Friday 30th October	Friday 18th December
Christmas Break Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January				
Spring 2027	Monday 4th January	Monday 8th February	Friday 12th February	Friday 19th March
Easter Break Monday 22nd March 2027 - Friday 2nd April 2027				
Summer 2027	Monday 5th April	Monday 31st May	Friday 4th June	Tuesday 20th July

Dates to note	
Friday 23rd October	Inset Day
Monday 15th February	Inset Day
Monday 7th June	Inset Day
Tuesday 20th July	Inset Day
Monday 3rd May	Bank holiday

Faith-Filled & Hopeful



Faith-filled

We are faith-filled when we are living life as God inspires us to live it, putting the Gospel into action through our deeds. Faith gives us belief and trust in God and in other people. We have to build on it every day through prayer, being part of a faith community and living out the gospel values. Faith gives us hope.



Jeremiah 17:7-8

Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him.
They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green.
It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.

Hopeful

We are hopeful when we are optimistic about the future, we trust ourselves and others, and we don't give up. Our faith teaches us that God is hope – that Christ walks before us and gives us the courage to follow. Hope makes us unafraid to step into the unknown and face challenges. Hope can deepen or restore our faith.



A prayer for hope...

Heavenly Father,
We are your humble servants,
We come before you today in need of hope.
There are times when we feel helpless,
There are times when we feel weak.
We pray for hope.
We need hope for a better future, a better life and for love and kindness.
We need your light, Lord, in every way.
We pray to be filled with your light from
head to toe. To bask in your glory. To know that all is right in the world, as you have planned,
and as you want it to be.
Help us to walk in your light and live our lives in faith and glory.
In your name we pray. Amen.



THORNHILL ATHLETIC RECRUITING NEW PLAYERS

U6 U7

sports
Xtra



TUESDAYS
5PM - 6PM



LLANISHEN HIGH 3G
NORTH CARDIFF



FUN, FRIENDS
& FOOTBALL



COME &
JOIN US!



WWW.SPORTS-XTRA.COM



ADMIN@SPORTS-XTRA.COM