



Newsletter: Friday 13th February 2026

I can't believe how quickly the first six weeks of term have flown by. I have very much enjoyed being back in school and seeing all the wonderful learning and growing that our children have been getting up to! I am a very proud Head Teacher.

We marked Safer Internet Day on Tuesday with a focus on online safety and responsible digital citizenship. Miss Kirby led our Assemblies sharing the Key Messages around Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI. Top tips for families can be found by clicking [here!](#)

Our Staff Meeting this week focused on the use of Drama to support the curriculum, continuing our commitment to creative teaching approaches. Miss Douglas and I have had the privilege of joining our classes for special times of prayer this week. Mrs Selby attended SEND training at Holy Cross Primary School with Mrs Bannon to further enhance our provision and knowledge.

There has been a real focus on Belonging during this week, with children taking part in various webinars and activities. Years 1 and 2 took part in Emotional Literacy Workshops helping children develop skills in recognising and managing emotions. Mr Heery put in a special guest appearance on Thursday afternoon as we hosted Head Teachers and SENCOs from our SEND Learning Partnership Group, working in collaboration ) to enhance our understanding and delivery of SEND provisions, especially relating to Mental Health.

Year 2 children and their parents enjoyed a hands-on Design and Technology session in the Hall on Thursday afternoon, fostering creativity and family engagement. Thank you to the Year 2 Team for organising and the Year 2 families for attending.

Mr Brady and I visited Conway Centres in Anglesey and Cheshire today on a 'recce' as we are currently reviewing our residential offer and are committed to ensuring exciting and safe experiences for our children. I will be asking for volunteer parents to join a small working party to help us look at trips and visits as I am keen to hear different perspectives on costs, frequency and the opportunities we offer. If you feel you would like to be considered to be part of this group please contact the school office to be added to the list.

I am concerned about the dangerous parking that is constantly being reported in Charnley Drive. There have been instances of blocking pathways, driveways and near misses - with cars and children. Moving forward we will have to consider if we can safely keep the Charnley Drive gate open and maintain our walking bus. I can not put our children and staff in danger. I will write to you after half term regarding this.

The PTA are very excitedly preparing to welcome Happy's Circus back to Christ the King on May 15th 2026. Tickets are currently on sale but they are limited so please don't delay in securing yours, once they're gone they're gone. [www.pta-events.co.uk/ctkliverpool](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/ctkliverpool)



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As we begin the season of Lent this coming Wednesday, we enter a time of deeper prayer, mindful reflection, and compassionate giving as a school community. On Shrove Tuesday, you will hopefully enjoy pancakes at home. The word Shrove comes from the old word shrive, which means to say sorry, be forgiven, and prepare our hearts for Lent

Lent calls us to focus on three pillars: giving, praying and fasting. This year, in response to Jesus' invitation to care for those in need, our Lenten giving will take a local form: bringing in food items throughout Lent to support the South Liverpool Foodbank. The foodbank has asked for specific donations to help families in crisis, including instant coffee, long-life juice, noodles, tea bags, tinned custard, tinned fruit, tinned ham, tinned meat, tinned tomatoes, squash, shampoo and shower gel — items that are non-perishable and make a real difference to neighbours facing hardship. Please drop off at the school office or take in to class.

Alongside this local generosity, we are proud to be participating in CAFOD's Big Lent Walk. The Big Lent Walk invites individuals and communities to walk a total of 200 km over the 40 days of Lent — journeying in solidarity with our global neighbours who lack access to essentials like clean water. Funds raised will support CAFOD's work around the world to fight poverty and bring life-saving water to communities without reliable supplies. We have set up a [JustGiving page](#) for our school's challenge, and we encourage families to join in walking, praying, and fundraising together.

Prayer remains at the heart of our Lenten journey. There will be opportunities for staff, pupils and families to come together as our Key Stage Two children pray and walk the Stations of the Cross at 2:30pm on a Friday.

Friday 27th February - Year 6, Friday 6th March - Year 4, Friday 13th March - Year 5 & Friday 20th March - Year 3

As we share this special time as a community, may we all grow in awareness of God's presence with us — in the simple act of praying, in reaching out to those in need, and in offering small sacrifices that shape our hearts. Our Lenten journey is one of transformation, rooted in love, lived through compassion, and offered in service.

Well done on getting this far through... a bumper edition! Some reminders to finish off - It is always lovely to see our children in their smart school uniform and school shoes each day. Can you talk through the next part of our uniform policy with your children:

- Children who have hair that is long enough to be tied back should be tied back so it is off their face. School will provide bobbles where appropriate. Hair accessories are to be kept to a discreet minimum and in school colours – neither large bows nor headbands with decorative pieces are allowed.
- No jewellery allowed except for a watch and only small, plain studs if children have pierced ears. These need to be covered with tape during PE if they can not be removed. Watches – to be analogue or digital. No smart watches. Basic Fitbits are allowed. Dyed hair or shaved tramlines are not allowed. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn in school.



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Both our teaching staff and lunchtime team have asked me to remind you that children should not be bringing in toys including cuddly toys in to school without prior conversation with their class teacher, they are causing a distraction in class and getting lost or dirty on the yard - especially with all our puddles at the moment.

We have had a focus on 'Wonderful Manners' these past two weeks - and I am so proud of the children who show these both verbally with their pleases and thank yous and excuse mes and in their actions - holding doors open for others, moving to one side to let people pass. It really does make a difference to our school family.

Father Colin would love to see as many children and families as possible in church on Wednesday to receive their Ashes as we start this wonderful season. Mass times for are 12:00noon and 7.00pm. If you are travelling to far away places you might notice a difference in the way you will receive your ashes -not the traditional cross on the forehead we have in our country.

Finally a big thank you to all staff, parents, and children for your enthusiasm each and everyday. Together, we continue to live our misson: We love, aspire and serve with Christ our King. Have a fantastic half term break and I look forward to seeing you on Monday 23rd February at 8:45am ready to start our new half term!

Kind Regards

David Delaney  
Head Teacher

## **Lenten Prayer for Our School**

Loving God,  
Guide us in this holy season of Lent.  
Help us to give generously with joyful hearts,  
to pray with open spirits,  
and to fast with humble trust.  
May our actions reflect Your love,  
drawing us closer to You and to one another.  
Strengthen our school community to walk with Christ our King,  
serving with compassion and hope every day.  
Amen.



**...we're here for you if you need support with your mental health.**



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