

**Christ the King College**  
"The Way, the Truth and the Life"  
**Christian Secondary School on the Isle of Wight**  
Headteacher: Mr A R Montrose

14<sup>th</sup> June, 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Today saw the last of the larger exams for our Year 11 students, with only a few exams now remaining to be sat next week for a small group of students. I would like to publicly acknowledge and congratulate all of our Year 11 and Year 13 students on how focused and committed they have been throughout what has been a challenging time for them. With the on-going and unquantifiable support they have been given by teaching and support staff, and indeed yourselves, the young people have navigated their way through two or three months of revision and exams. They have done their utmost to give themselves the best opportunities for their post-16 and post-18 plans. Well done to every single one of them – we are very proud of them all.

There are only 6 weeks left of this academic year, and we are very much into the planning stage for 2024/25. There will be several changes to staffing, roles and systems, and I plan to appraise you of these over the next few weeks to give you advance notice. In the meantime, our community are still engaged in their learning journeys in all subjects, as we continue to prepare students academically for September. Students are also still actively and enthusiastically involved in enrichment activities (as you can see in today's newsletter), and staff continue to give their time and effort to give students opportunities outside the classroom to flourish.

Looking ahead to the last week of this academic year, all students in Years 7-10, as well as Year 12, will be taking part in what we are calling an Activities Week. In this week, there will be a few days when normal lessons will be replaced by activities and events to engage students in a variety of different and creative ways. Our own staff and agencies from outside CtK will deliver these sessions to students. We will also have some Worship activities and events taking place. More details to follow...

Please continue to remind your children that our expectations of behaviour, uniform, and work ethic are still the same as they have been all year; our drive to maintain high standards and to live out our values is at the core of everything we do at Christ the King.

Finally - on behalf of the whole community here - thank those of you who have sent in cards, messages and edible gifts to thank staff who have supported students over the time they've been with us. It really is a privilege to be able to help shape our young people (your children) into being the best they can be in all areas, and to be positive role models for them. This is only possible in collaboration with yourselves; I am very grateful for the on-going support you give to us in this process.

I shall leave you with a traditional Irish blessing, which is dedicated to the students who are leaving us in the very near future for pastures new.

*A. Montrose*



**Diary Dates** All Diary Dates can be found on our website homepage  
*If you click this on the bottom right of that calendar, it can add this calendar to your mobile device or computer.*

W/C 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr 10 Mock Week
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr 13 Leavers Ball
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr 13 Leavers Service 11.45am
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 11 Prom
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Student Awards Evening
26 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term – Finish at 1pm



## **Spare Seat Application Window – Academic Year 2024/25**

Dear Parent/Guardian

The dates for the spare seat application window for academic year 2024 have been finalised. Should you wish to apply for a spare seat for your child to use the school bus service you will need to apply between **9am on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 and 4pm on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024** for children in school years 0 – 11, only. You will not be able to apply for spare seats for sixth form students (school years 12 – 14) at this time. Please note that the online form will only be live between the above times and that applications received outside of this window will not be accepted.

Further information on the spare seat process can be found online, here: [Spare seat scheme \(iow.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/spare-seat-scheme)

If you scroll to the bottom of the above webpage you will see the bus services for which you can apply. **This information will be live from 9am on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024.** Should the service you require not be listed you will not be able to apply for that service at this time.

Do bear in mind that making an application for a spare seat does not guarantee a seat on the school bus.

## **Ticket costs and payment**

The cost of a ticket will increase from academic year 2024. This was agreed following a Cabinet decision made on 9th May 2024 following the recent [School Transport Policy Consultation](#). Spare seat prices will then rise each academic year in line with CPI (Consumer Price Index) rate at March in the year that you are applying for.

Spare seat ticket prices are set costs as follows.

- Up to a full term £190.00
- Up to half a term £95.00
- Up to a full term AM or PM only £95.00
- Up to half a term AM or PM only £47.50

Should you have any queries please contact the Transport Team at the Council via email: [transport.info@iow.gov.uk](mailto:transport.info@iow.gov.uk) or telephone: 823780.

## **Good News**

### **Year 10 GCSE Geography Fieldwork**

The Geography department were delighted to be able to take Year 10 GCSE Geography students on a fieldwork trip to Sandown Bay on the 13th and 14th June. Students investigated how coastal management impacts on coastal processes and communities in Yaverland and Sandown, collecting primary data which will then be used in class. The students worked exceptionally hard on both days and were a credit to the College. Thank you to all staff who supported the trip over the two days.

Miss Joynes



## Talent Tap

Talent Tap is a charitable organisation that seeks to give students equal access to wider career opportunities, regardless of socio-economic background and geography. They look for students from less advantaged areas, who do not necessarily have contacts and family connections or even the awareness of some of the career opportunities out there.

Talent Tap offers an on-going programme to introduce students to relevant professions and enable them to secure city based placements and work experience that will give them a helping hand in seeking future professional employment. They undertake a two week residential programme with opportunities for networking, mentoring and public speaking training alongside their individually tailored work experience.

This year's successful applicants are as follows and have been offered the work placements listed below

Max Jackson	Adam Smith International
Melanie West	Praetura Group
Millie Hunter	The Hut Group
ShaoFen Qiu	News International
William Ridley	Culture Shift
Phoebe Barry	News International
Jade Serjent	FTI Consulting
Marius Plamadeala	Addleshaw Goddard LLP
Rebecca O'Regan	Tony Blair Foundation
Holly Serjent	Emap
James MacDonald	FTI Consulting
Abigail Caya	Roke
Mabel Lewis	Newcore Capital
Bethann Lamanna	Roke

Well done to one and all! Mr Davie

## U15 Cricket

Well done to the U15 boys who played The Free School today . The Free school batted first and with some great batting and catching kept their score down to 102 for 6. In reply after the opposition took an early wicket Oliver F and Nat W calm things down and put on a good early partnership. Oliver F was bowled on 16. In then came Josh B and he and Nat W put on a 75 not out partnership with Josh getting 27 not out and Nat W with 37 not out. CTK finished 106 for 2 off 15 overs. A great win against a strong side.

Mr Haydon

## Rounders Tournament

Well done to our Year 10 rounders teams who competed in the Isle of Wight schools Tournament yesterday. We were very pleased to be able to enter two teams into this competition, as so many of our students wanted to be involved.

Both teams showed excellent team work and sportsmanship throughout the afternoon and were a credit to the College.

After some close fought matches CTK1 won all their games and won the competition for a second year in a row.

Well done to all students involved.

CTK1 Josh, Oliver, Tolu, Nat, Luke, Darcy, Thea, Izzy, Lyla and Daisy.

CTK2 Harry, Shebin, Jackson, Tyler, Orla, Eleanor, Florrie, Evie and Ellie.



# ART, DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY SHOW

Showcasing the fantastic creative work from students across the College

Open Evening  
Thursday  
11th July  
3:30-6:30pm  
Sixth Form Hall

