



CHRIST THE KING SIXTH FORMS

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NEWSLETTER



SIMON SPEARMAN

As we celebrate St David's Day it is hard to believe it is already March. We are all starting to enjoy the warmer spring weather and snowy February already seems a long time ago.

We are looking forward to our CTK community coming back together for face to face teaching. Our staff have really missed having the students onsite for their learning.

I was delighted this month to have a number of Alumni help our students celebrate National Apprenticeship week. Our Alumni are always so inspirational, and such role models for our students.

Simon Spearman

Principal CTK Emmanuel

National Apprenticeship Week



Aiste Adomaityte

We are delighted that so many students got involved with the various internal and external Apprenticeship Activities which took place the week beginning Monday 8th February. One of the biggest highlights of the week was our alumna Aiste Adomaityte's talk about her experiences of being an apprentice.

For any parents wishing to find out any more information, please check out the key websites which are:

www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk and
www.amazingapprenticeships.com

In essence, an apprenticeship is a job. Students spend 80% of the working week at their place of employment, and 20% at their place of study. They earn a salary, and the course fees are covered by both the employer and the government. There are many different apprenticeships students can apply for across a broad range of different industries.

Charity in Lockdown

The Lockdown experience for all of us has proven to be a really difficult time for not only ourselves but the people and community around us. As a charitable person I felt the best thing for me to do to better my well-being and the well-being of others, was to take on some charitable work in and around my community. From donating food tins - to helping cleaning up nurseries for children- to helping once a week with bulk work in my community, having this charitable aspect in my life (especially in these uncertain times) feels really rewarding for my community and myself. I want to inspire those reading that it's never too late to take up some charity work because there are always people in your community who need help and knowing that you are making a difference by donating a single can of soup or helping with cleaning local areas, I personally believe it will better your well-being and mentality whilst giving your community a helping hand.

By DaeJean Samuels

Year 13 student





CTK PRAYER

God of Love

As members of the Christ the King Sixth Forms family we ask for your continued blessing upon our work and study. You are the source of all truth and wisdom.

May we experience in full the Life that you offer us each day, to become the best that we can be.

Let no distractions or fears prevent us from trusting in your endless care for us.

Shine your Light into our lives that we may become brighter beacons of faith, hope and love in our community.

We make this prayer through Christ the Lord.

Amen.



Chaplaincy Corner

Keeping Lent

The Chaplaincy team are inviting students and staff to engage in the season of Lent by finding more time for prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Lent as a time for preparations for Easter, gives 40 days of walking closely with Jesus, growing spiritually and personally in service of others. A video introduction to Lent was shared with students which you can see [here](#).

Resources for students to engage in opportunities for retreat and prayer include the following online links:

<http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/followme> and <https://pray-as-you-go.org/article/growing-back-better-a-lent-retreat-2021>



Chaplaincy Reps

The students and Chaplaincy hosted a talk on *Hope and Mental Health* with Fr Paschal Uche, a Catholic priest, who spoke inspiringly of the importance of faith bringing hope in times of challenge. The students were greatly helped by his powerful words and authentic witness. Many thanks to Miss Katama, SM Chaplain, for organising this event.



Eco Reps

The students have designed logos to promote their work and promoted weekly eco challenges to the college. See the images below:



Eco challenge for the week: Record how much waste your household goes through in one day.



- The amount of waste we produce is bad for the planet.
- This week, work out how much waste your household produces in one day from food, travel and stuff.
- You can find out your environmental footprint using [WWF's Footprint calculator](#).
- Email your findings and how to reduce household waste to: EcoReps@Ctksfc.onmicrosoft.com



National Numeracy Day

We have signed up to be a National Numeracy Day Champion! Join us and help our CTK community get their number confidence on with free resources and activities.

#NationalNumeracyDay

National Numeracy Day takes place on 19 May 2021.

Sign up to become a Champion now...

https://www.nnchallenge.org.uk/?utm_source=707



About the Challenge

The Nation Numeracy Challenge is a free online assessment tool. It's designed to give you an accurate picture of your everyday Maths skills.

You start by registering and completing the Check-up, which gives you your numeracy level. It then gives you the tools to learn in manageable steps, building confidence along the way as you improve your skills with numbers.

The Challenge focuses on the number skills that everyone needs to function at home and at work. These are the skills that help you manage your money, work out measurements and make sense of figures in the media.

Start practicing now before 19th May 2021.

Marketing Fairtrade Fortnight



The Chaplaincy team have been promoting *Fairtrade Fortnight* in the sixth forms by inviting students and staff to explore the issues that cause the unjust production of consumer goods whereby producers are not given a fair wage. Products with the Fairtrade logo ensure that farmers and workers in developing countries earn a decent livelihood. The continuing climate crisis is threatening food production. A video presentation of the issues has been circulated to students and staff including an ecumenical service of prayer (see images below):



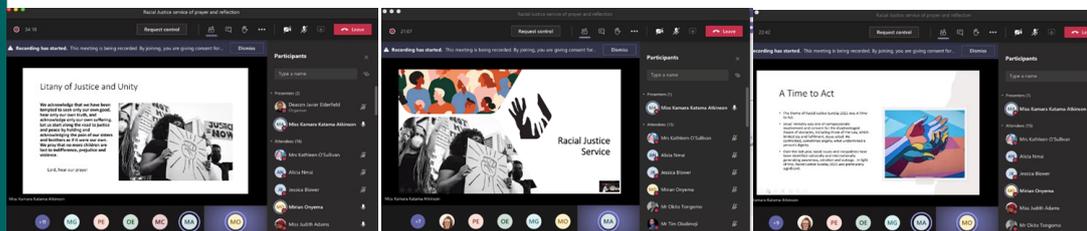
We had a winner for the eco-competition to design something out of recyclable material. See photos below.

Sophie Oughton (AQ) submitted her design of a turtle named Terry, which she made out of butter tub, a hand sanitiser bottle, loo roll, bottle caps and paper. Well done to Sophie for being so creative and winning the eco-competition organised by the student eco-reps group. Sophie will be awarded Amazon vouchers for her design.



Racial Justice service

Some screen shots from our Racial Justice service:





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LRC

The LRC team would like to highlight some resources that we think are very useful for our students that parents/guardians should be aware of:

ProQuest Ebook Central

Students can access a wide range of textbooks here by clicking on this link here and using their college email address:

[ProQuest Ebook Central](#)



The Guardian

To keep up to date on the latest news students can read the award winning Guardian for free by clicking here: [The Guardian](#)



Shakespeare's Globe

For students wanting a bit of culture please check out one of the free plays that have previously been shown at the world famous Globe Theatre:

[Shakespeare's Globe](#)



Spring Term Jack Petchey Achievement Award Winners

Three students were successfully nominated and awarded for this award as detailed below:

Congratulations to **Michaella Abroje**, a former pupil of St Ursula's, Greenwich. Nominated by the Chaplaincy team for participating and leading the singing at

Chaplaincy masses and offering prayers during the college prayer times, Michaella said, 'It's an honour to serve God and I'm so happy that CTK have acknowledged my efforts. May God in his infinite mercy continue to guide and bless us, Amen.'

Congratulations to **Jessica Blower**, a former pupil of St Catherine's School, Bexleyheath. Jessica was nominated by staff, not only due to her commitment to her studies during lockdown, but especially because of her generous nature and willingness to contribute in practical ways to the work of the student Eco Rep group. Jessica has been planting bulbs as a start to the onsite wildflower meadow. On hearing the news, Jessica remarked, 'I was so surprised [and] I feel really good about it.'

Congratulations to **Amal Ahmed**, a former pupil of Bacon's College. According to staff who nominated her, Amal is an outstanding student whose work has been of an exemplar standard even during lockdown. Amal has contributed to all her online lessons with enthusiasm and is regarded as role model for her fellow peers. When informed of the award, Amal said, 'I am humbled to have received this award, but I'm also very grateful, appreciative and proud of myself for getting nominated. I know that I have worked hard in my studies.'



Curriculum



Good work from Arin Awojobi (Year 12)

Students have just started a new unit of the BTEC Level 3 Art and Design called Utopia, where they were asked to record from life (as they always do at the start of a project) and they used the technique/style of chiaroscuro photography and drawing.



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The Church designated February 8th as the Feast Day of [St Josephine Bakhita](#).

St Josephine, also known as 'Mother Moretta' (our Black Mother) was born in Sudan. She was kidnapped at the age of nine and sold into slavery. She lived a life of physical pain as she bore 144 physical scars from torture.

A significant landmark in her life started when she was rescued by the Catholic Church and served as a nun for the rest of her life doing many charitable and selfless acts.

She is the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking.

(Posted by Head of Durham School-Mrs J. Okolo-Erokwu)

The BTEC Extended Diploma Applied Science students have been invited to a talk, by Speakers for Schools held by Emma Wadey, Head of Mental Health Nursing for NHS England and NHS Improvement.

Emma is a mental health nurse with over 20 years' experience across a wide range of health, emergency care and criminal justice settings. Maintaining clinical practice throughout her career has always been a priority and Emma continues to work as a consultant nurse in a local psychiatric liaison service. Emma will be sharing insights into the role of a mental health nurse and answering questions about a career in nursing.



BTEC Extended Diploma Business students have been taking part in online Team Building tasks.

They put together an elevator pitch for a new product aimed at a certain target audience and presented their idea to a potential investor. They also competed against each other to get the best score on a geography-based quiz.

This was all conducted online to allow students the opportunity to communicate and work as a team remotely, experiencing what it is like for the current workforce working from home.



The Wormery has arrived for the Eco Project. This will make our first worm compost. This will be an excellent medium to grow our plants in for our community garden. We are hoping to grow beans and peas as our first crops.

Fam-House
All in one

Fam-House (products)

- About
- App
- Partner it with Netflix, Amazon Prime, Disney plus
- Available on Android and IOS
- Internet from the mobile phone company (02)
- Functions
- Get connect with our lovers
- Interact from distance
- Relief the stress of being in lockdown

Fam House (price)

- We provide a different range of subscriptions/Membreship
- Subscription/membership
- Unlimited calls and videos calls £10 pm
- Movies all available £8.99 pm (10% off when you invited 2 people)
- Movies and games £15 per 2 months (some movies may not be available.
- All inclusive £30 every 3 months



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Photos of the snow taken by Christian Lashore (BTEC L3 Art and Design Lower Sixth)

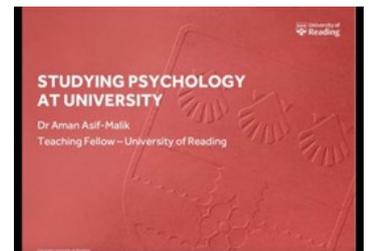


Partnerships

Jonathan Bridges, from Goldsmiths University, gave an informative talk to our students about studying Psychology at university. He described the many course options available at Goldsmiths for students interested in the subject, as well as outlining the scholarships and bursaries on offer, before inviting on a few Psychology Student Ambassadors to talk about their university experience thus far. He then ended the session with an insightful pre-recorded 'mini-lecture' on the Psychology of Art, that was designed to give the students a taste of what could be expected from studying Psychology at a degree level.



Dr Aman Asif-Malik, Teaching Fellow at the University of Reading, spoke to our students about studying Psychology at university. She outlined the various branches of interest Psychology covers, highlighting engaging studies, before speaking about the many career opportunities a degree in Psychology opens up. She then illuminated the students on what to expect from their university studies, from teaching methods to assessments, and the courses available at the University of Reading and their entry requirements.



Recordings of all our External Speaker Programme sessions can be found in the Careers section on Moodle.

CTK Emmanuel Open Day

CTK Emmanuel will be holding an Open Evening on 10th March, if you know any Year 11 students looking for a Sixth Form place they can sign up on <https://www.ckemmanuel.ac.uk/news-and-events/open-events/>