



# Newsletter

October 2022

### Principal's Welcome

It has been an exciting start to the academic year with our electives programme running onsite, our student hub areas open for students to study outside of lessons.

We were thrilled to have started our new T Level programmes, with our T Level in health and science (Nursing) and the T level in engineering. We have created a new mock ward for the T level in Health and Science, our students have already been in the area learning essential nursing skills. In our new engineering area we have developed an electronic manufacturing hub where students will perfect the skills required to control and maintain the machinery which drives the manufacturing unit.

As we return for the second half of the Autumn term, I would like to wish students who are sitting GCSE examinations in November the very best.

Mr Spearman CTK Emmanuel Principal



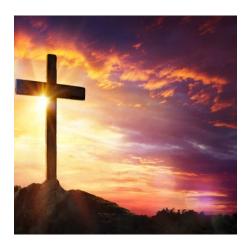
# **Chaplaincy Thought**

The Chaplaincy has been a hub of activity during the 10:10 Mission week.

Activities that offer space for reflection, mindfulness, discussion, film viewing, and charity fundraising contributed to our aim to live life to the fullest. Engaging student ingenuity and talents, the Chaplaincy hope to foster a deeper sense of community and encounter. We're proud of our student Chaplaincy reps, volunteering with enthusiasm to raise funds and awareness for worthy causes such as CAFOD's work in overseas development and the Sickle Cell society's aim to alleviate the suffering of those with this disease. Bringing healing and hope connects with the focus of the planned half-term day retreat to Aylesford Priory when the relics of St Bernadette of Lourdes will be on display for veneration. Her story of encounter with the Virgin Mary whose message of prayer, pilgrimage and penance continues to inspire us, to be a place faith and devotion to Christ as our center.

As October is the month of the Rosary and Black History Month, we combine the spiritual and personal for the common good of all. To those who read this newsletter, thank you for your interest in our community and be assured of our prayerful support for you, and your loved ones.

God bless!



# **Open** Day

Find out more about CTK at one of our upcoming Open Events <u>here</u>. Join us in November to discover our wide range of courses and explore our impressive state of the art facilities

9.30am – 1.00pm CTK Aquinas - 5th November CTK St. Marys -12th November CTK Emmanuel -19th November

#### We are seeking a new PARENT GOVERNOR at CTK

If you are the parent/carer of a Year 12 student currently studying at Christ the King Sixth Forms, then you are eligible to apply to become a Parent Governor.

The Governing Body are currently seeking applications from parents/carers who are interested in becoming the CTK Parent Governor. Members of the Governing Body have a broad range of skills and expertise; they help to set the strategic direction of CTK and they work towards the common goal of providing an excellent education for all of our students.



This is a voluntary role that is both interesting and fulfilling, representation of a parent/career is actively encouraged.

For further details on becoming a CTK Parent Governor, please contact Linda Harrison, Clerk to Governance at

governance@ctksfc.ac.uk

Closing date, Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Macmillan Cake Sale



Students at CTK Emmanuel raised funds to support Macmillan Cancer Support this half term by holding cake sales. The events were organised by the Chaplaincy Team and staff and students baked cakes and sweet treats to raise vital funds for people living with cancer. The total raised was a great achievement by everyone.

#### **Maths Week**



We were promoting all things numeracy at CTK Emmanuel during maths week 3 - 7 October 2022. Students took part in short daily activities and challenges promoting the importance of numeracy and learning how it impacts their everyday lives. Some of the topics covered were Interest Rates and Savings, Tourism Exchange Rates, Loan Repayments, Wages and Inflation and Maths in Health.

There was also a competition for our teachers to answer three GCSE maths questions correctly!

## **Trips & Visits**

**Kew Gardens** 

CTK Emmanuel's BTEC Media & Art Students recorded first hand observations of the environment, architecture, and natural forms at Kew gardens last month. Sketching and photographing subjects as a springboard for term one portfolio assignments on composition. The visit also promoted discussion and debate around environmentalism, climate change and decolonising the curriculum by examining Empire and the contemporary relevance of botanical collections and pleasure gardens in the 21st-century.



#### Health and Social Care Students Visit to Greenwich Maritime Museum and Park

On Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022, 28 Level 2 BTEC First Health and Social Care students visited the Greenwich Maritime Museum and Park as part of their elective and Unit 8 on Equality and Diversity. It was a memorable event for all.



#### Beginning of Year Mass at St George's Cathedral, Southwark

At the end of September students enjoyed a visit to the Education Commission's Beginning of Year Mass at St Georges Cathedral, Southwark with Archbishop John Wilson. The mass was a special occasion to mark the beginning of the new school year and the Archbishop thanked all the students for their brilliant contribution and enthusiastic singing at the wonderful celebration

## **Black History Month**

As part of CTK Sixth Forms Black History Month activities all Learning Resource Centres have displays and literature about black British Icons who have shaped history. Many students form across all three sites have participated in a poetry competition marking Black History Month and this year's theme "Time For change: Action Not Words"

#### **Black History Month Tutorial**

During October tutorials have been focussed on Black History Month looking at the achievements and contribution of African people to world civilisation and history through science, medicine, art and culture and the Influence and contribution that African history has had on European and world history. The ALS students across the sites will be working on biography posters of people who has inspired them

As an inclusive Sixth Form we are keen to review and take forward our work in relation to equality, diversity and inclusion. Our EDI focus for 2022/23 is on Neurodiversity

As part of our celebrations for Black History month CTK Sixth Forms were privileged to welcome a panel of judges to speak to our students about their experiences and their judicial roles. Their talk was inspiring for students and staff and reminded us of this year's Black History Month 2022 theme: Time for Change - Action Not Words.

Special thank you to:

HHJ Barbara Mensah - the first circuit judge of African origin in England and Wales.

HHJ Judge Kwame Inyundo - Circuit Judge on the South Eastern Circuit, presiding over Crown Court jury trials and sentencing hearings.

Employment Judge Adenike Balogun - tribunal cases include discrimination on the grounds of disability and how mental health issues are addressed in the workplace.

Employment Judge Andrew Zimuto - tribunals cases include discrimination on the grounds of race, sex, age and unfair dismissal







#### Femi Bola MBE

We were delighted that as part of Black History Month we had Femi Bola M.B.E. speak to our science students. Femi was in her own words 'the first black scientist to work for the Medical Research Council in the United Kingdom.' Femi spoke to students about her studies and career as a biochemist with the Medical Research Council and running a laboratory, which undertook vital research for Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital.

Femi passed on lots of useful advice about finding work experience, wider learning, how to research university choices, and extracurricular activities. We are always delighted to have speakers such as Femi join us to advise and inspire our students as well as to help us celebrate Black History Month



### Enrichment Fair

Students from CTK Emmanuel have been taking part in a broad range of Enrichment Activities this half term. These opportunities provide a chance to meet new people, try something new or learn new skills. Just some of the activities on offer are table tennis, boxing, gospel choir, trampolining, basketball, unbaked bakes, mindfulness, football, dance club, debating club and chess club.

### New Mock Hospital Ward

We are delighted to have a new state of the art mock hospital ward - named St Theresa's, at CTK Emmanuel.

This term the students have been helping to set up the ward which will be invaluable in helping them to practice their nursing skills and gain real life experience of working on a hospital ward. The students are now looking forward to starting their work placements in January 2023. Our new T Level Nursing students, in their new uniforms.





### **External Speaker Programme**

Our annual External Speaker Programme got off to a flying start with John Kerr, former MD of Global Consulting, Deloitte, speaking to our Business students. John explained to students his role as the Managing Director of Global Consulting at Deloitte which is a \$10bn, 45,000 person practice, and the largest Consulting practice in the world. It forms part of the even bigger \$32bn, 200,000 person worldwide firm, Deloitte. In his leadership roles, John explained to students how he had visited over 30 countries around the world and he has met executives who operate in most of those countries.

Of interest, he was in New York on 9/11, London on 7/7, Paris on the day of the Concorde crash and experienced an earthquake in Taiwan.



# Unloc Leaders Event with Local Schools

We were delighted to hold our annual Student Leadership Training with local schools in partnership with award winning organisation Unloc. The event supported local student leaders in understanding their roles and how they can make the most impact. Students were represented from many local schools including; Bonus Pastor, Addey & Stanhope School, Trinity Church of England School, Prendergast Ladywell School, St Mary's Catholic High School Croydon, Saint Gabriel's and Ark Greenwich Free School.





John was born and raised in Motherwell, Scotland. He attended a comprehensive school and was the first member of his family to go on to university. He is a Chartered Accountant and has spent his entire working career in two firms, Arthur Andersen, where he became a member of the global board, and Deloitte. John explained how the biggest challenge of his career was a member of the Andersen board when it faced the Enron crisis, which led to the winding up of the firm.



For those not aware, Unloc is a leading education non-profit founded in 2013 by award-winning young leaders and advocates Hayden Taylor and Ben Dowling. They help schools, colleges and organisations inspire and empower young people to be changemakers through bespoke and innovative programmes in entrepreneurship, leadership, career pathways and student voice.

### Student Food Bank



Following discussions with members of our community and as part of our mission to improve student experience, we have decided to set up a small Student Food Bank at CTK Emmanuel. Our goal is to provide snacks to those students that would otherwise go hungry. The mini food bank will thrive on donations from staff, students, parents/carers and other people within our wider community and any donation is gratefully received.

We need the following items:

- Crisp/biscuits
- Low fat choc bars
- Breakfast bars
- Canned fruits
- 330/500ml bottles of water
- Canned soups

All donations will be collected by our chaplains in the chaplaincy at Emmanuel or can be handed into reception.

### Charity Table Tennis Tournament

Students took part in a charity table tennis tournament to raise funds for the Sickle Cell Society. Congratulations to Oluwatobi who won the competition! He won a £20 Amazon Voucher!



### College Prayer

### Mission 10:10 Week



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.

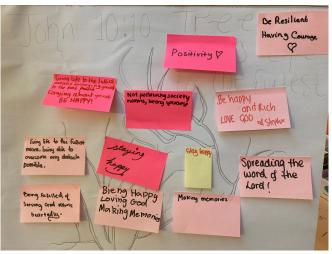
Shine your Light into our lives that we may become brighter beacons of faith, hope and love in our community.

We make this prayer through Christ the Lord. 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> October was 10.10 Mission Week with this year's theme of "Living Life to the Fullest" to be grateful and show gratitude for who we are. Students had the opportunity to take part in a range of spiritual, reflective, creative, charitable and social events led by the Chaplaincy teams. Some of these included creating a Tree of Life, taking part in reflection and mindfulness activities, attending talks from external speakers, arranging and participating in charity events, and worship. During the week several speakers visited the Sixth Forms:

**Fr Paschal** was a member of Brentwood Catholic Youth Service before beginning to train for the priesthood at St Mary's, Oscott. He says, "I first became involved with BCYS through my sister, who had been to Lourdes with our Stratford parish. But it wasn't until I went to World Youth Day in Sydney that I began to think about priesthood. He went on to study pharmacy at Nottingham University.

Jackson Ogunyemi better known as "Action Jackson" is a lover of cheesecake, running and inspiring people. He founded a company dedicated to empowering UK Education called Fixupseminars.co.uk in 2001 whilst studying Mechanical Engineering at Middlesex University, where he developed a passion for public speaking.

Margaret and Barry Mizen have become prominent and vocal campaigners for peace within our communities after their son Jimmy was killed in a random act of violence in a southeast London bakery the day after his 16th birthday in 2008.



**Fola Oyeleye** is a former student at Christ the King Sixth Form (2000 - 2002) and worked as part of the Chaplaincy Team while on placement as part of his theology degree. Fola is an operations and business development consultant for small businesses and Christian-faith charities.

**Magdalene Adenaike** founded Music Relief out of a harmonious blend of her personal experience as a teenage mum and expertise as a singer/songwriter. Her ambition is to create platforms where others can share their story, become empowered and develop selfconfidence.

**Fr Michael** is a local Roman Catholic Priest that works Archdiocese of Southwark. He belongs to the Holy Ghost Father's missionary group that work in almost 67 countries in the world. The missionary group work among the poorest of the poor in the world and Fr Michael has worked in Nigeria, Trinidad and Tobago and the United Kingdom.









Christ the King Catholic Sixth Forms warmly invite you to a

# Celebration Mass of Thanksgiving

on the occasion of the 30th Anniversary since its founding

In the presence of Canon Victor Darlington, Episcopal Vicar for the South East Pastoral Area

Taking place at St George's Cathedral, SEI 6HR

Wednesday 16th November, 2pm

Refreshments will be served in the Amigo Hall afterwards rsvp l.harrison@ctksfc.ac.uk