

**Christ the King College**  
"The Way, the Truth and the Life"  
**Christian Secondary School on the Isle of Wight**  
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Easter is almost upon us! This Sunday is the 4th Sunday of Lent, traditionally called *Laetare*, a Latin word for 'rejoice'. Pink or rose is often worn by the clergy and the congregation to celebrate this event, as we approach Easter itself. It's also Mothering Sunday of course - happy Mother's Day to all you amazing ladies; have a wonderful weekend, and I hope you get spoiled!

Your children continue to receive amazing opportunities inside and outside the classroom. There are so many enrichment activities available for all students after school and (sometimes) at the weekend. We are well-blessed in our community with passionate and caring staff who devote time and effort in supporting our students' personal development. Please use these links to see the current [revision sessions](#) and [extra curricular activities](#).

Visitors regularly comment on the strong sense of community they feel when they visit Christ the King, and how we are 'different' from other schools. This was the case earlier in the week when the new Service Director for Education for Inclusion & Access for the Island - Naomi Carter - paid a visit to see the work we do with our hearing impaired students; she was very complimentary in terms of the atmosphere around school and the engagement of our students.

This is a key time for our Year 11 and Year 13 students, as they navigate their way through mock exams and the final run-in towards the public examinations which start in May. If there is anything whatsoever you are concerned about regarding your children's revision or their mental health, do please contact school immediately and we will endeavour to support you as best we can.

I leave you with a simple but meaningful message for all mums...Have a great weekend with your families everyone.

*A. Montrose*



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## 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.*

7 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 8 Parents Evening (remote)
11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 11 Mock Exams
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term
15 <sup>th</sup> April	First day back to school after Easter holidays

## Good News

### National Indoor Rowing

Well done to all our students who attended the National Junior Indoor rowing Championships on Friday. This was an amazing experience, where they were able to participate in a highly competitive National event. All the students showed real determination, they pushed themselves and each of them beat their personal records. Three of the students finished in the top 20 of their age group! Mr Haydon and I were so proud of their achievements. It was a pleasure to take the students to this event, we are looking forward to next year already. Mrs Glasbey



## Dragons Den

The le Rois team attended a Dragons Den pitching event today to present their business idea to three island business people. We will await news on whether they were successful or not in securing funding. We are proud of how well the team handled the pressure of presenting to the dragons!

The team are currently selling their own street wear brand on Teemill <https://leroisclothing.teemill.com/> as well as offering t-shirt and tote bag customising workshops in college and the local community.



## A-Level Geography Trip

On Wednesday A Level Geography Students visited the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park. Students learnt about the regeneration of the area and carried out fieldwork techniques to prepare them for their own NEA investigations over the summer term. The students demonstrated excellent understanding and engagement.

It was a pleasure to spend the day with them. Miss Calloway



## Creative Writing Workshops

On Thursday 29th February and Friday 1st March, local author Anna Britton came into school to run creative writing workshops with students in year 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Students were given tips on writing a story. had time to start their stories and get some feedback from Anna. They also had a chance to ask questions getting a book published and what inspires Anna to write.

Anna used examples from her debut novel Shot in the Dark (available in Waterstones) to help students understand the key elements of a story and she was really impressed with their creative ideas!

It was a great success and we plan to run similar events in future. Mr Britton

