

# Newsletter

CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY

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## Welcome to the Spring Newsletter



Headteachers address  
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### Briars trip

Recently some of our year 8 students attended a week long residential to the Briars Catholic Youth Retreat Centre in Derbyshire. During the visit the students got the chance to explore their personal faith and identity but also build stronger relationships with other students in their year group. On the first day, students were split into smaller groups with whom they would be closely working with over the coming week. In these groups and as a whole, the students got the chance to undertake a range of activities including preparing their own prayers to be sung at breakfast each morning and preparing their own morning mass. On the Wednesday, students spent the afternoon on a walk around the Tors of Crich in Derbyshire in glorious sunshine. The final night saw students take part in a talent show with some excellent acting, singing and dancing taking place along with Sopuru, our resident security guard! The final day saw students reflecting on their time at The Briars and writing positive affirmations for all the other members of their small groups. It was a lovely experience when we saw students opening the affirmations that others had written about them. The Briars team expressed how enthusiastic our year 8s were in every activity they took part in and they thoroughly enjoy having them stay.

**Mr Hudson, Mrs Fancett and Mr Dickin**



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## Geography news

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**Over the Christmas break** Year 7 and 8 students were invited to complete projects using their knowledge from the latest topics. Year 7 students have been looking at a range of geographic concepts whilst studying Russia and were tasked with completing a presentation on the same themes about another country. Year 8 have been studying tectonic hazards and were asked to complete an investigation into a volcano of their choosing.

We received lots of brilliant entries and all participants were awarded certificates and CARE points to recognise their hard work. 4 in particular stood out and along with the certificate and CARE points they received a copy of 'No One Is Too Small To Make A Difference' by Greta Thunberg to hopefully inspire them to continue their hard work in Geography:

**Zuva Stevens** for her model of Mt Etna (which erupted) and her presentation about the volcano to the class

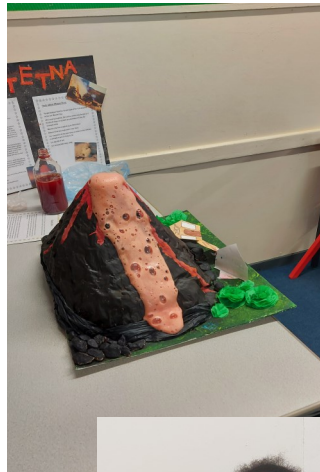
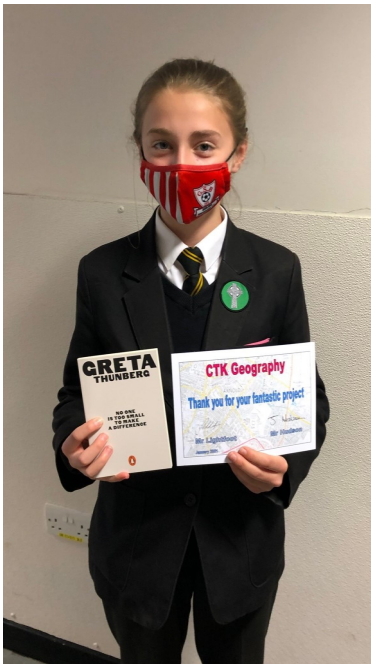
**Izzy Barson** – clay models of different types of volcano

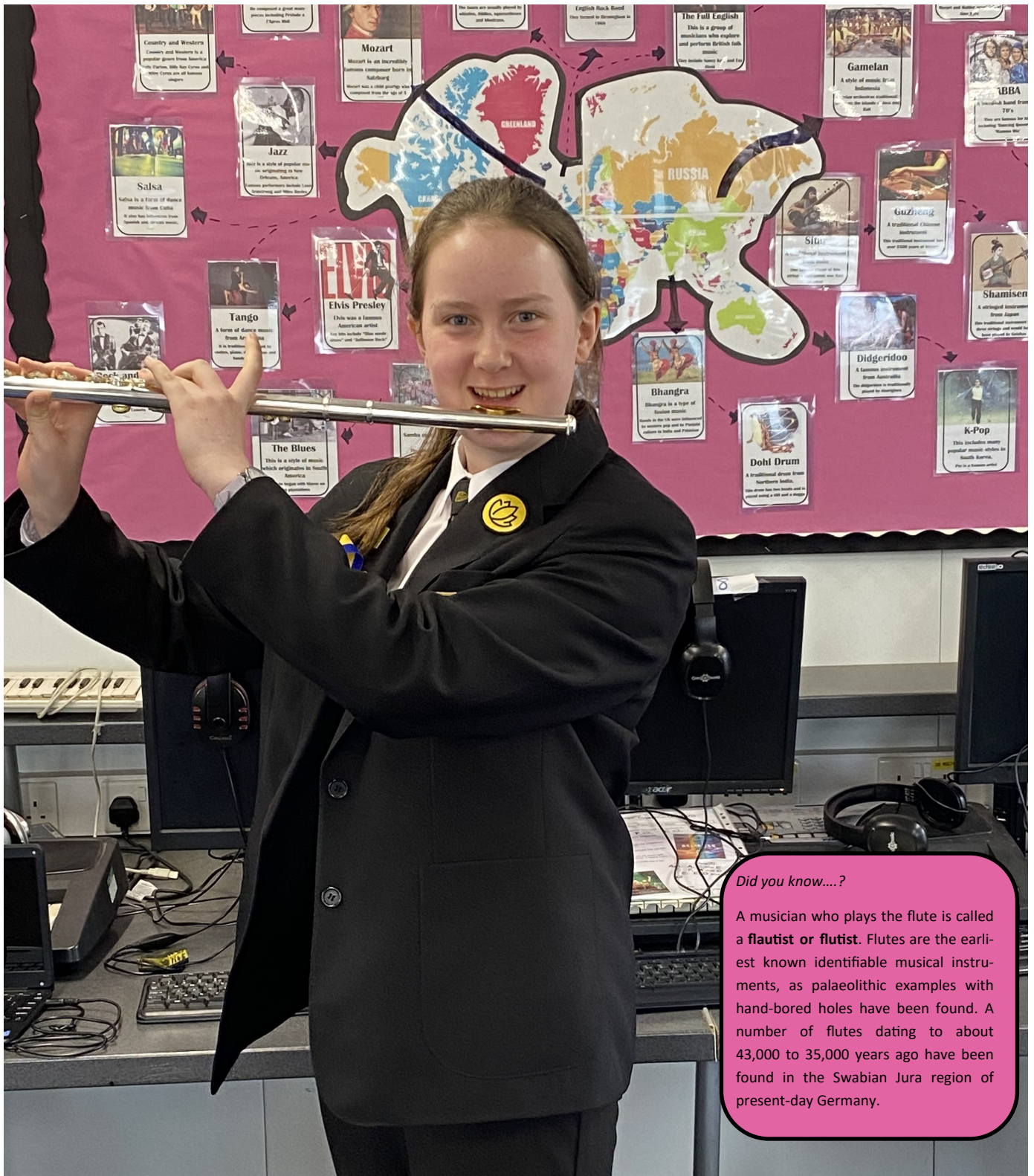
**Hannah McCormack** – presentation about volcanic activity in the Canary Islands

**John Stevenson** – presentation about Latvia

We will be running more projects this year and would encourage students to take part!

### ***Mr Lightfoot and Mr Hudson***





*Did you know...?*

A musician who plays the flute is called a **flautist** or **flutist**. Flutes are the earliest known identifiable musical instruments, as palaeolithic examples with hand-bored holes have been found. A number of flutes dating to about 43,000 to 35,000 years ago have been found in the Swabian Jura region of present-day Germany.

**Well done Olivia Brogan.** She has just passed her grade 7 flute exam!

This is fantastic news as it takes a lot of hard work dedication and practice time.

She is a wonderful musician and can now begin her Grade 8.

Ms Harvey

### Samuel Murphy is the first CtK student to have read over 10,000,000 words!

Since 2017, 55 students have achieved the title of 'Reading Millionaire' for quizzing on Accelerated Reader to prove they have read in excess of 1,000,000 words. Moreover, 17 students have become 'Reading Multimillionaires' for exceeding 2,000,000 words. All students who achieve this are rewarded with a Millionaire or Multimillionaire's Club pin badge.



However, as a fitting marker of DEAR's 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Christ the King are immensely proud to acknowledge the achievements of Sammy Murphy who is our first student to cross the 10,000,000 word marker. Sammy has developed a real love of reading and has quizzed on an impressive 48 different titles since Year 7.

***Congratulations, Sammy!***

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## Modern Foreign Languages

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Students were asked to follow a recipe in French to make crepe and then decorate them how they chose.

Ellie managed to recreate the CTK school badge on hers, fantastic! Also a big well done to Maia.R, Orla.D, & Lilia T who were runners up.