



# CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

ONE BODY, MANY PARTS

2022-2023 Newsletter 11 (2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022)

## Catholic Life of the School



### Advent

At Mass for the second weekend of Advent, the second purple candle on the Advent Wreath is lit. This candle signifies **Peace**.

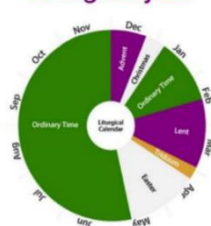
This candle is sometimes referred to as the Bethlehem candle as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem. During the second week of Advent, we are asked to think about peace. At the birth of Jesus, the angels proclaimed, "Peace on Earth." Sometimes it can be difficult to believe peace is possible when we listen to the news. However, with God everything is possible and this Advent it is especially important for us all to look for opportunities to share the message of peace at home with our families, in our school and in our communities so that God's peace can spread across the world.



Let us pray that this season of Advent  
may fill us all  
with hope, peace, joy and love. Amen



### Liturgical year



### Important dates for your diary

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December**– Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day



50p donation for CAFOD World Gifts

#### **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

Movie Events with popcorn and drink

**1.30-3.15pm**– Reception, Y1, Y1/2, Y2

**3.30 - 4.30pm**– Y3, Y4, Y4/5, Y5/6 and Y6.

#### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

**10.00am**–Reception Nativity in school (Ticket only)

**2.00pm**– Year 1, Year 1/2, Year 2 Christmas Service in Corpus Christi Church

#### **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

**1.45pm**– Year 3, Year 4, Year 4/5, Year 5/6 and Year 6

Christmas Service in Corpus Christi Church

#### **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

am–Pantomime in school



pm–Christmas Parties



#### **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

Am–Santa will be visiting our school

#### **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

School closes at 1pm

#### **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

School reopens



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## Virtues to Live By – Prayer and Generosity

During this season of Advent, we will be focusing on the virtues of **Prayer and Generosity**.

### Prayer

**"Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you."**  
(Jeremiah 29:12)

**"Ask, and you will receive; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks will receive, and anyone who seeks will find, and the door will be opened to those who knock."**  
(Matthew 7:7-8)

**We are good prayerful when**

- we spend time with God.
- we listen to God.
- we rest in His presence.
- We tell God we love Him.
- we grow in friendship with God.
- we pray from the heart.

**"Prayer is simply talking to God like a friend and should be the easiest thing we do each day."** (Joyce Meyer)

Pope Francis popularised this simple aid to prayer.



### Generosity

**"Do not forget to do good and to help one another, because these are the sacrifices that please God."**  
(Hebrews 13:14-16)

**"Freely you have received, freely give."**  
(Matthew 10:8)

**We are good generous when**

- we notice someone needs help.
- we think of others before ourselves.
- we give freely without the need of a reward.
- we give more than what is expected.
- we are willing to make sacrifices for others.







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Year 2 preparing for Advent



*Advent*



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## Our Wonderful 'Stars of the Week' 28<sup>th</sup> November to 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022



Class	Star of the week	Reason for award
Reception 1 Miss Horkan	Jesse	For listening and sharing stories with adults.
Reception 2 Miss Kemp	Oscar H-Mc	For being a responsible class member and following school rules.
Year 1 Miss Kirk	Lewis	For his fantastic listening and thirst for learning
	Jonatan	For his excellent effort in Gymnastics.
Year 1/2 Mrs Child	Ella	For her lovely retelling of the story of Jesus' birth.
	Bakary	For independently writing the story of Jesus' birth.
Year 2 Mrs Kilvington	Damian	For always trying his best especially when learning symmetry.
	Salma	For always being kind and considerate to others.
Year 3 Mr Herron	Ryan	for his consistently excellent attitude - Ryan's <i>always</i> a superstar!
	Mia	for maintaining high standards of presentation across all her work.
Year 4 Miss Moore	Jessica Z	For focusing in all lessons and for trying her best in P.E.
	Jeremy	For being more focused in lessons and for great enthusiasm in P.E.
Year 4/5 Mr Goodall	Deshaun	For a big improvement in his focus during lessons.
	Jack	For making a big effort to broaden his friendship group.
Year 5/6 Mr Doyle Miss Guy	Elise	For improving her focus and resilience in her maths lessons.
	Caitlyn	For a brilliant attitude to all of her work.
Year 6 Miss Oxley	Olivia	For working hard to improve her reading skills.
	Thabisile	For improving her participating in class discussions.

STARS OF THE WEEK





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## Skills Builder Award

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Each week we award a Skills Builder Award to one child in each class.

Research shows that building essential skills supports:




Social and  
emotional  
wellbeing



Learning and  
academic  
outcomes



Careers and  
opportunities

Class	Skills Builder Awards	
Reception 1	Grace	<p>Our focus for this half-term is</p> <div>  <p><b>Leadership – learning to lead others. Supporting, encouraging and developing others to achieve a shared goal.</b> This skill is relevant not only for individuals in positions of management with formal power, but also for individuals working with their peers in teams. At the earliest stages, the focus is on basic empathy - understanding their own feelings, being able to share them, and recognising the feelings of others. The focus is on managing - dividing up tasks, managing time and sharing resources, managing group discussions and dealing with different opinions. Individuals build their awareness of their own strengths and weaknesses, and those of their teams. This allows them to allocate tasks effectively. They then build techniques to mentor, coach and motivate others. At the highest steps, individuals will be able to reflect on their own leadership style and understand its effect on others. Ultimately, they should be able to build on their strengths and mitigate their weaknesses and adapt their leadership style to the situation.</p> </div>
Reception 2	Enoch	
Year 1	Khadija	
Year 1/2	Filip	
Year 2	Isla	
Year 3	Shaylan	
Year 4	Keyla	
Year 4/5	Amelia	
Year 5/6	Chloe	
Year 6	Tommy	

These children have all displayed amazing leadership skills this week.

selfless leader  
humility action  
servant  
leadership  
good-listener open-minded  
ethical role-model



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## What's been happening in school

Year 6 were invited to the college for a taster afternoon and enjoyed a session of Japanese Taiko drumming, Djembe drumming and a dance workshop. This was all in aid of supporting the children with their transition to high school.



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This week, Miss Gilby, from Classroom Kitchen, visited Reception to teach them how to make fruit yoghurt pots. They listened carefully as Miss Gilby demonstrated different chopping techniques and then they all took turns to chop a variety of fruits. Each pot was layered with fruit, yoghurt and porridge oats. Finally, the children enjoyed their healthy snacks.

One of the children commented, 'It's the best thing I've ever had!'



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Reception had a great time when PCSOs Eric and Gemma visited their class to talk to them about their roles in the community as part of their 'People Who Help Us' topic. The children learnt all about the different parts of uniform and the role of a PCSO. It was very exciting when they had the opportunity to dress in police outfits. Eric and Gemma stayed to play in class and joined in some learning activities. What a lovely way to learn all about people who help to keep us safe!



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Year Four have been continuing to develop their Hockey dribbling skills and controlling the ball around cones using the figure of 8 pattern. Also, they learnt about attacking and defending.

Well done Year Four!



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## Notices

### Corpus Christi Church and the St John Henry Newman Parish

The Franciscan Sisters invite us all to  
their Live Nativity

Your invitation from the Franciscan Sisters  
To all our neighbours and friends,  
Please join us for our

## Live Nativity



Live animals!



Free drinks and  
biscuits!

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December  
2pm  
Corpus Christi Church  
Neville Road  
LS9 0TT**



Carol singing!



Children's Christmas activities!

### Christmas Masses in the Parish

#### Saturday Christmas Eve 24th December

##### Children Family Masses:

St Theresa's 4.30pm

Corpus Christi 5.00pm

St Gregory's 5.30pm

If your child would like to be involved in  
the Mass please see a member of the  
children's liturgy team for each church.  
The more children involved the better.

##### Sunday Christmas Day Masses:

St Theresa's 8.15am

St Gregory's 9.00am

St Theresa's 10.15am

Corpus Christi 10.30am

**NO EVENING MASS**

## Cost Of Living Support

### A Message from Temple Newsam Community Partnership

Please follow the following link to the TNCP website  
Where there are details on local food bank options for  
families over the Christmas period.

<https://tncp.co.uk/children-young-people/food-banks>

Food Banks



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## Starting School in September 2023

### Applications for Starting Primary School in September 2023

Applications for parents of pupils who will be starting **primary school** in September 2023.

You can apply from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022.

The deadline to apply is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

The link for applying for places online is: <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-for-a-primary-school>

If you are applying for a place at Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School, please do remember to hand in the Supplementary Information Form (SIF) to the school office in addition to completing the online application with Leeds. You can find the school SIF form on the school website <https://www.corpusprimaryleeds.org/key-information/admissions>



Thank you for your continuing support  
Have a lovely week  
God Bless  
From Mrs Walsh  
and the team at  
Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School