

2022-2023 Newsletter 19 (24th February 2023)



marked the beginning of Lent.



During this liturgical season of Lent, we remember the words of Pope Francis, "Lent is a time for drawing near to Christ by listening to the Word of God and celebrating the sacraments."



The season of Lent prepares us for Easter and for the renewal of our baptismal promises. Lent means 'springtime' and so it is a good time to 'spring clean' our lives by praying, fasting and carrying out acts of love so that we can truly be ready to celebrate Easter.



Our 'Virtues to Live By' during Lent are

- Self-control
- Reflection

Pray

Keeping a Lenten promise is a way of showing Jesus we are His friend and praying is a way of talking to Him. During Lent, we have asked the children to try to remember to say 'Good morning' and 'Goodnight' to Jesus by saying a prayer when they wake up and just before they go to sleep. In the morning, the children can tell Jesus about their plans for the day and in the evening, they can talk to Him about how they feel things have gone during the day. (Reflection)

Fast

St Peter explains that we can build on our faith each day so that we become more like Jesus and live our lives by following Jesus' teachings. Lent is a time for us to give up things that distract us and fast from things so that we can make more room in our lives for others. (Self-control)

Acts of Love

The season of Lent is a season of love. Jesus performed selfless acts of love throughout His ministry by healing, teaching, and giving of Himself to the needy. His ultimate act of love was His death on the cross. He opened the gates of Heaven through this one noble deed so that we might have the opportunity to be happy with him for eternity. One good way to

show appreciation for Jesus' sacrifice is through deeds of love and charity. We can all do this by performing one little act of love each day of the Lenten season. **Together we can make this world a better place!**





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Our Wonderful 'Stars of the Week'

21st-24th February 2023











Class	Star of the week	Reason for award	
Reception 1 Miss Horkan	Aisha	For being a kind and caring friend.	
Reception 2 Miss Kemp	Raphael	For being a good friend.	
Year 1 Selome		For a wonderful start to her time at Corpus Christi and for settling in so well.	
Miss Kirk	Terrance	For his excellent independent Maths.	
Year 1/2 Bakary impi		For his new positive attitude to his learning and making improvements to his handwriting.	
Mrs Child	Ella	For applying her positive attitude to her maths and beginning to work more independently.	
Year 2		For excellent work in maths, focusing on multiplication and division facts.	
Mrs Kilvington	Milania	For a great effort in her maths work, persevering and now achieving!	
Year 3	Heidi	For consistently great effort, focus and resilience.	
- The state of the		For being helpful and kind in his words and actions.	
Year 4	Kieran	For working hard and for representing the school in the football tournament.	
Miss Moore	Archie	For working hard and for representing the school in the Football tournament.	
Year 4/5	Phoebe	For showing persistency and determination in and out of lessons.	
Mr Goodall	Aylar	For a growing confidence in class and at swimming.	
Year 5/6 Mr Doyle	Damian	Wonderful maths work applying his arithmetic skills to problem solving questions.	
Miss Guy	Baba	For always giving his best in every lesson.	
Year 6	Aston	For working extremely hard in writing lessons to create an effective description.	
Miss Oxley	Nathan	For working extremely hard in writing lessons to create an effective description.	



STARS OF THE WEEK





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Notices



School success starts with attendance This week our overall attendance is **98%** which is fantastic!

Thank you and well done to all our children, parents and carers.

<u>Safeguarding</u>

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform one of the school's Designated Safeguarding Team- Mrs Walsh, Miss Horkan, Mr Doyle and Mrs Collins. In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a statutory duty to discuss the issue with one of the Designated Safeguarding Leads.



Easter Traditions

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We will be once again taking part in our Easter traditions of Easter Bonnets and decorated eggs. Advance notice to get busy! These will take place in our final week before closing at 1.00pm on Thursday 6th April.





Diary Dates

<u>Sunday 2nd April</u> Palm Sunday

Thursday 6th April
School closes at 1.00pm

Monday April 17th
School reopens at 8.45am



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NHS

How long should you keep your child off school

Should I keep my child off school?



Yes

Until			-	٠	
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Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over	
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode	
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.	
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics	
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared	
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started	
Scabies	they've had their first treatment	
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics	
Whosping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antihintics	



but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek





Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.

Do I need to keep my child off school?

Chicken Pox

Until all spots

Conjunctivitis

No need to stay ornursery should be

Mumps

5 days from

48 hours from

Scabies

Until after first

Head Lice

No need to stay ornursery should be

No need to stay should be

Scarlet Fever

commencing antibiotics

Threadworms

No need to stay should be

No need to stay or nursery should be

or nursery should be informed

Tonsillitis

No need to stay should be informed

Impetigo

Until lesions are rusted & healed o 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics

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Shrove Tuesday is a Christian festival celebrated in many countries across the globe. It falls on the Tuesday before the beginning of Lent – a period of around six weeks leading up to Easter. During Lent, Christians give up luxuries to remember when Jesus went into the desert for 40 days to fast and pray. The exact date of Shrove Tuesday changes from year to year. But one thing stays the same — it's always 47 days before Easter Sunday. And yes, you guessed it, it's always on a Tuesday! The name comes from the old word 'shriving', which means to listen to someone's sins and forgive them. In Anglo-Saxon England, Christians would go to church on Shrove Tuesday to confess their sins and clean their soul. In other words, they would be 'shriven'. In the United Kingdom, Shrove Tuesday has another name... Pancake Day! Traditionally during Lent, Christians would give up rich, tasty foods such as butter, eggs, sugar and fat (some Christians continue to do so, in fact). Shrove Tuesday was the last chance to eat them — and what better way to do so than with a delicious pancake!

Year 5/6 celebrating Shrove Tuesday; the children made and tossed pancakes!



















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This week the children in Year 1/2 have enjoyed celebrating Shrove Tuesday. They all had a pancake and then chose their toppings. There were some very sticky fingers and faces but they enjoyed this Christian tradition.







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Year 4/5 giving us a wonderful display of flipping pancakes.



















































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Year 2 had great fun flipping pancakes and enjoyed eating them even more!







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Year 3 sampling and flipping pancakes.















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Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a 40-day season (not counting Sundays) marked by repentance, fasting, reflection, almsgiving and ultimately the celebration of Easter.

To mark Ash Wednesday, all the children in school respectfully received ashes and reflected on the significance of this day which marks the start of Lent. As we began our Lenten journey together, we were united in prayer and reflection as we made promises to help one another and follow the teachings of Jesus.



















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LENT

REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and is the period of 40 days that comes before Easter.

It is a time of reflection and spiritual renewal in preparation for Good Friday and Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday.

40 is a significant number in the Bible:

- In Genesis, rain fell for 40 days and nights in the great flood.
- The Israelites spent 40 years in the wilderness before entering the promised land.
- Moses fasted for 40 days before receiving the Ten Commandments.
- Jesus spent 40 days fasting in the wilderness before starting his ministry.

During Lent:

- Catholics fast from (give up) meat on Fridays and some meals on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- Almsgiving (giving to the poor) is particularly encouraged.
- The Stations of the Cross are prayed in our churches.









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Today the children in Years 1 and 2 began their new History topic 'Space Explorers' by visiting a mobile planetarium dome. Their visit enabled the children to have a 360-degree view of the Milky Way as well as looking at Earth and what makes it special. The children had a look at the Sun and the Moon and how important they both are to life on Earth. Finally, the entire night sky was projected onto the inside of the dome and the children could see the beautiful stars and constellations in our night sky. The presenter explained how to identify certain stars and constellations and also told some magical stories dating back to the times of Ancient Greek mythology. All the children were wowed by their experience and had a wonderful time. Maybe we will have inspired the children to be space explorers in the future...





Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend!

God Bless

From Mrs Walsh

and the team at

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School