



# CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

ONE BODY, MANY PARTS

2022-2023 Newsletter 13 (21<sup>st</sup> December 2022)

## Catholic Life of the School

### Advent Week 4



The fourth candle of Advent is also known as the "Angels' Candle" and symbolises love. It reminds us that God is love. Love is a gift, a gift from God. At Christmastime, we believe that God's greatest gift of love.

On behalf of myself and all of the staff at Corpus Christi Catholic Primary, I would like to thank all our parents and carers for your support this term. Although it has been a long, busy term and we have still seen wonderful achievement and happy children.

I know that all the staff in school have appreciated your generous gifts, kind words and thanks. We would also like to wish you all a joyful, holy and peaceful Christmas and hope that you have a lovely break with your families. We look forward to welcoming all the children and you back to school on Thursday 5th January.

#### A Christmas Blessing

May love come alive within your heart  
As Christmas time draws near  
May hope fill each room you decorate  
And bring joy to those you hold dear  
May peace be before you at every meal  
And faith ring through every song  
For Christ is alive, the light of the world  
May he bless you all season long.



### Important dates for your diary

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023**  
School reopens

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January**  
The Feast of the Epiphany



9.30am-Mass with the parish

**Pm-Year 2, Year 3**  
Pantomime at the City Varieties theatre

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January**  
Year 5/6 and Year 6 trip to Magna Science Museum

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January**  
Theatre trip for Years 4, 5, 6 to see Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February**  
7pm Confirmation Service for candidates

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February**  
Training Day for staff

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>-Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February**  
School closed for mid-term break

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February**  
Training Day for staff

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**  
School reopens



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## Virtues to Live By – Prayer and Generosity

During this season of Advent, we focused 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)**



**The children in Key Stage 2 staged the Nativity story in Corpus Christi Church. 'Bethlehem, The Musical' was superbly narrated and acted by Year 5/6 and Year 6 supported by the pupils in Year 4/5, Year 4 and Year 3 with their fantastic singing. All who came to watch were very impressed with the children. Well done**







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An  
outstanding  
performance  
by Key Stage  
Two!



What a  
sheer  
delight it  
was and  
wow the  
singing  
was  
beautiful!

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The nativity and the children were excellent. I love to come and see the plays as they are always fantastic.



Amazing show! Never fails to show how much effort and work is put in by the staff and children alike. Well done CCPS!







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Reception performed a wonderful Christmas Nativity, 'The Cheeky Cherubs', for their parents. They retold the story of the birth of Jesus perfectly. The audience were amazed at their wonderful singing, reading and acting.



The children are a credit to your teaching. They have come on lovely. A lovely, beautiful play.

Wonderful parent comments, thank you

Wow! What a fantastic performance! We enjoyed it so much! You all sang like professional singers and we were blessed to listen to these amazing songs!



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## Virtues to Live By – Generosity

During this season of Advent, everyone in our school community has demonstrated the virtue of Generosity.

We have had many fundraisers in the last few weeks and with the generosity of our amazing parents we managed to raise some wonderful amounts.



£96 from contributions from children wearing their Christmas Jumpers was raised for CAFOD gifts.



Our Movie Day raised a whopping £330 from contributions from generous parents and carers for the School Fund. School Fund is solely for the benefit of the children and helps with trips and special visitors etc. Thanks to Mrs Kilvington and the School Council for organizing.

£580 was raised from our raffles which is also for the school fund. A huge thank you to all staff who generously donated items for hampers.



Singing Christmas carols at Asda raised £148 from generous Asda



## Generosity

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

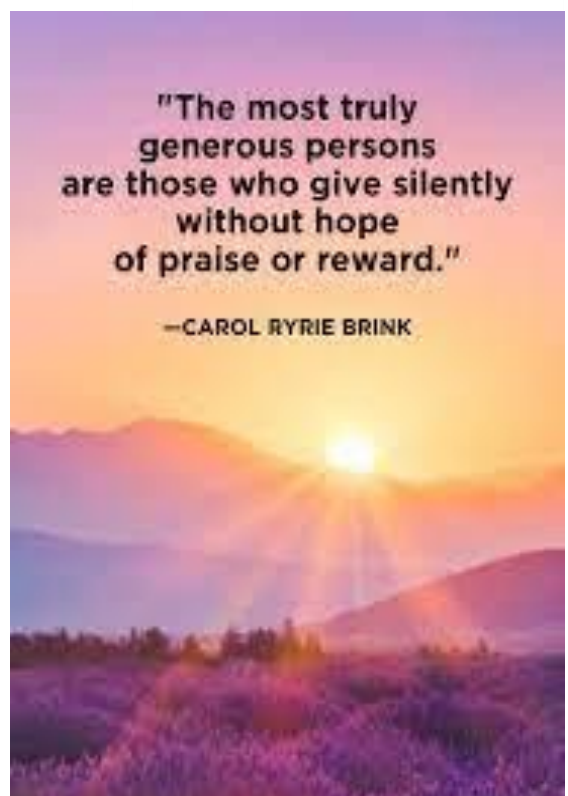
**"Freely you have received, freely give."**  
(Matthew 10:8)

**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.

**"The most truly generous persons are those who give silently without hope of praise or reward."**

—CAROL RYRIE BRINK







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The school was invited by the Community Champion at Asda Killingbeck to bring some festive Christmas cheer to their customers by singing in the entrance to the store whilst raising money for our school at the same time.

A group of Year 6 pupils spent some time brushing up on their carol singing with Mrs Clay for a week or so and then all headed off to Asda along with Mrs Midgley. They had a wonderful afternoon; many lovely comments were made and they managed to raise an amazing £148.00!







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Reception children had a wonderful Christmas party. There was lots of singing and dancing as they partied the afternoon away. Thank you to the parents for donating party food so generously. Any surplus food was donated to the Franciscan Sisters to support others in our local community. They were very grateful and asked us to pass on their thanks and blessings during this Christmas time.



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The whole school were so excited to visit the Cinderella pantomime today....oh yes they were! It was such a wonderful experience full of laughter, singing, dancing and clapping. It really put everyone in the Christmas mood ready for the Christmas parties in the afternoon.







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Guess who called in to see us even though he has a very busy schedule at the moment. The children were thrilled to see Santa and tell him how good they have all been this year!



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Pupils in all classes who had 100% attendance were rewarded with a cooking session with Classroom Kitchen making and baking mince pies!

Pictured here are Y4/5, Y5/6 and Y6,

Congratulations to all our 100% attenders - all superstars!

**100%**  
Attendance



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***Year 5 pupils were invited over to Corpus Christi College for Christmas activities. They made Christmas cards, sang carols and had juice and mince pies. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the visit and their behaviour was exemplary. Well done Year 5!***



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Well, after a busy 11 years as lunchtime supervisor, Mrs Westwood has made the difficult decision to retire and enjoy family time at home. No more cold lunchtime duties outside in the playground or the daily bus journeys to and from school. We send our love and thanks to Mrs Westwood for a long and happy retirement. Thank you for everything you have done for the children of Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School over the years.







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## 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



## Christmas Masses in the Parish

### 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 November 2022.

The deadline to apply is 15 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>



### A Message from Temple Newsam Community Partnership

Please feel free to share the following link to our website which provides 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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Thank you for your continuing support.

God bless you all this Christmas and may we wish you all  
the joy of the season.

Have a brilliant holiday.

From Mrs Walsh

and the team at

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

