



# CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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2022-2023 Newsletter 8 (11<sup>th</sup> November 2022)

## Catholic Life of the School

### Virtues to Live By – Citizenship

Our 'Virtues to Live By' for the Autumn term are Respect and Courtesy, Love of Learning, Citizenship, Prayer and Generosity.

For the next three weeks we will be focusing on the virtue of **Citizenship**. The word citizenship means everything that has to do with being a citizen or full member of a community. We are also citizens of the world.



### Citizenship

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

**We are good citizens when**

- ❖ we show love for our neighbours through our actions
- ❖ we are a proactive part of our community
- ❖ we look for opportunities to serve others
- ❖ we make a positive difference
- ❖ we play our part in looking after the environment.



Be yourself. Be honest. Do your best. Take care of your family. Treat people with respect. Follow your dreams.  
*(Mel Burchard)*



### Important dates for your diary

#### **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

1.45 pm-Harvest Festival rearranged

#### **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

Wear odd socks to school in support of our Anti Bullying we

#### **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

Mr Whippy visit will provide a free ice cream or lolly for all our children. School will make a donation to Children in Need as a thank you.

#### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

Children in Need- wear something spotty or yellow. Donations of 50p per child will be collected for the charity.

#### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

Flu immunisations

#### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

5pm-Tour of school for new starters September 2023

#### **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas jumper day  
Christmas dinner in school  
This is open to the whole school- more information nearer the time.

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

Cinderella Pantomime in school

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

School closes at 1pm

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

School reopens



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The Catholic Church designates November as a special month, to remember and pray for those who have died. The month begins with the feast of All Saints -1<sup>st</sup> November and the feast of the Holy Souls -2<sup>nd</sup> November.

## November is the month of the Holy Souls

In the Catholic Church's liturgical year, November is the month dedicated to Holy Souls. This means that we remember and pray for those who have died. On November 1<sup>st</sup>, we celebrated the feast of All Saints Day which is a Holy Day of Obligation so the whole school went to Mass. On this day, we commemorate the lives of holy men and women who have been recognised by the Church as people of virtue- saints.

Pope Francis has said saints, "are not perfect models, but are people whose lives God has crossed," and can be compared with the stained-glass windows of a church, "which allow light to enter in different shades of colour."

Saints are people just like us. They lived good lives, cared for others, prayed and tried to make the world a better place. Father Pat told us that we all have the potential to be saints if we are kind and think of others!

The Month of November reminds us of Jesus' promise that those who believe will never die but be born into new life in Christ. We are reminded of Jesus' promise to Lazarus' sister Martha.

Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. (Jn 11:25-26)

During this month of November we will pray daily for our loved ones who have died and returned to heaven.



*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace.  
Amen*





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## Notices

### 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>

Please pass this information onto any families or friends who you know might be interested.

A second group tour of our school will be on:

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 5pm.**

Places must be booked so please contact the school office once dates are announced.



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This is a copy of the letter you should receive from School Admissions if you have a child due to start primary school in September 2023. Families do not need a letter to apply for a reception place and can check all dates on the website [www.leeds.gov.uk/apply](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/apply)

The closing date is **15 January 2023** and all applications made by that date are treated equally – so there is no benefit in applying any earlier. Please reassure parents who may be worried about this.

## **Applying for primary school for September 2023**

We think your child is due to start primary school in September 2023. You'll need to submit an application to get a place for them.

### **How to apply**

Applications are open between 1 November 2022 and 15 January 2023. You apply by visiting [www.leeds.gov.uk/apply](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/apply)

You should apply for 5 schools to give your child the best chance of getting a place at a school you want. You can apply for any schools, but based on distance your 5 closest schools are:

1. School\_Name1
2. School\_Name2
3. School\_Name3
4. School\_Name4
5. School\_Name5

### **If you have any questions**

We've included a checklist for things you should think about before applying.

If you have any questions about the admissions process, please contact us by phone 0113 222 4414 or by email: [startingprimary@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:startingprimary@leeds.gov.uk)

Yours faithfully

The Admissions Team  
Leeds City Council  
[www.leeds.gov.uk/apply](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/apply)

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## **Before you apply checklist**

### **Apply for 5 schools**

You should apply for 5 schools to give your child the best chance of getting a place at a school you want. You'll need to list the schools in your order of preference when you apply. If a place is available at more than one school, we'll offer you the one highest on your list.

### **Check if your address gives you a priority for any schools**

You can check this on our website. If you live in a school's catchment area, you should include it as one of your preferences.

### **Read school admissions policies**

Each school has its own set of rules which they use to decide which children to offer a place to. This is called their admissions policy.

You should read the admissions policy for each of the schools you want to apply for. This will help you to check what chance your child has of getting a place. Check admissions criteria at [www.leeds.gov.uk/apply](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/apply)

### **Look at the school website**

Schools may hold open days. Look at school websites for more information. We will also run some virtual advice sessions on our Facebook page.

### **Check if you need to provide extra information**

If you think your child should get a place due to a specific admissions criteria, you may need to submit extra information to support your application. You may need to submit extra information if your child:

- has spent time in care (fostered, adopted or looked after)
- needs to show proof of religion
- qualifies for a specific admissions criteria

### **Tell us if your circumstances change**

If there is a change to your circumstances, such as a house move, you will need to tell us and we may need to see evidence of the change. You should look at our website for information or contact us for advice.



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## Our Wonderful 'Stars of the Week' 011.11.2022



Class	Star of the week	Reason for award
<b>Reception 1</b> Miss Horkan	Una-Rai	For being a wonderful member of the class who always listens and tries her best.
<b>Reception 2</b> Miss Kemp	Harper	For working hard to write her name.
<b>Year 1</b> Miss Kirk	Edward	For his fantastic effort during Gymnastics in PE.
	Nellie	For her fantastic effort during Gymnastics in PE.
<b>Year 1/2</b> Mrs Child	Maizie	For her amazing attitude to learning; completing extra spelling homework and her wonderful ideas in writing.
	Lara	For being an excellent role model to others in class and having a great attitude to all areas of her learning.
<b>Year 2</b> Mrs Kilvington	Damian	For being a kind, caring friend to everyone in the class.
	Dwayne	For working really hard in all areas of his learning.
<b>Year 3</b> Mr Herron	Oscar	For the fabulous effort he has put into his persuasive writing this week.
	Kylarae	For the fabulous effort she has put into her persuasive writing this week.
<b>Year 4</b> Miss Moore	Kieran	For making great contributions in the Amazon Rainforest workshop and for always being focused in all lessons.
	Julia	For contributing in all lessons and working hard especially in Maths.
<b>Year 4/5</b> Mr Goodall	Stephanie	For showing wonderful confidence when speaking to a class in Brazil and translating for the rest of her peers.
	Faith	For setting the standard in Year 4/5 and being a great role model.
<b>Year 5/6</b> Mr Doyle Miss Guy	Jayden-Joe	For working hard in all subjects this week.
	Khadijah	For working hard uplevelling her writing.
<b>Year 6</b> Miss Oxley	Fatou	For being an exceptional creative writer.
	Kavan	For amazing work in his maths lessons and listening exceptionally well.



STARS OF THE WEEK



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## Skills Builder Award 11.11.2022

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



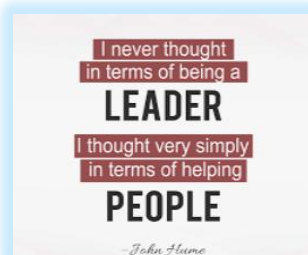
Learning and  
academic  
outcomes



Careers and  
opportunities

Class	Skills Builder Awards	Our focus for this half-term is
Reception 1	Adomas	 <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>
Reception 2	Raphael	
Year 1	Scarlett C	
Year 1/2	Fatima	
Year 2	Jensen	
Year 3	Lucas	
Year 4	Lucie	
Year 4/5	Temidayo	
Year 5/6	Isaac	
Year 6	Jayden Fomet-Nembot	

These children have all displayed amazing leadership skills this week.







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## What's been happening in school



### Remembrance Day 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Today is a special day known as Armistice Day, or Remembrance Day. It marks the very day that World War One ended in 1918. A two-minute silence is held at 11am on the 11th day of the 11th month to remember those who have died in any conflict so that we can live in peace.

In school all the children held a two minute silence to remember the fallen.

The red poppy symbolises remembrance, hope for a peaceful future and commemorates the soldiers who fought and died in conflict. Poppies were chosen as a symbol because they often grew in the battlefields after the soldiers stopped fighting.

**We will remember them.**



*Children in Years 2 to 6, stood in respectful silence at 11am in the playground to remember all those who have lost their lives in conflict around the world.*



*Year 1 and Year 1/2 observed the 2 minute silence in their classrooms.*



*Reception children were very respectful during the Remembrance Day silence. They wore their poppies with pride as they thought about all the brave soldiers who fought in the war.*



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## Autumn Walk

This week Reception had a walk around the school grounds looking for signs of autumn and evidence of how the seasons have changed. They looked for different coloured leaves to tick off on their checklist. They even found some berries!



## Autumn walk



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A collection of pictures and information from Year 3, Year 4 and Year 4/5 who all had an interactive Amazon Rainforest workshop via Zoom.

**Year 3** studied rainforests, finding them on maps and exploring what it would be like to live there.

They talked directly to a class of schoolchildren from the Kambeba tribe in Brazil and created some artworks out of natural materials. It was such a memorable day!



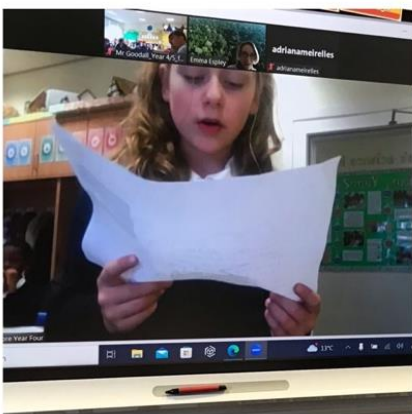
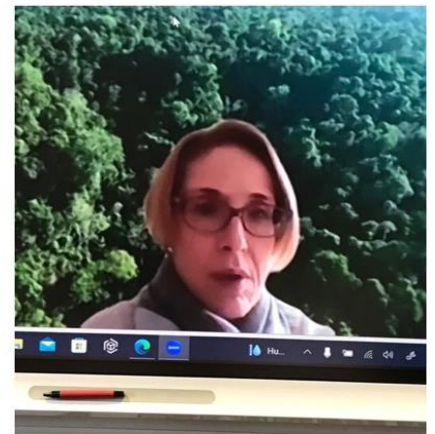
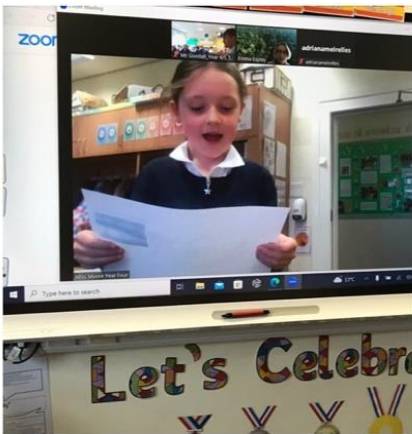
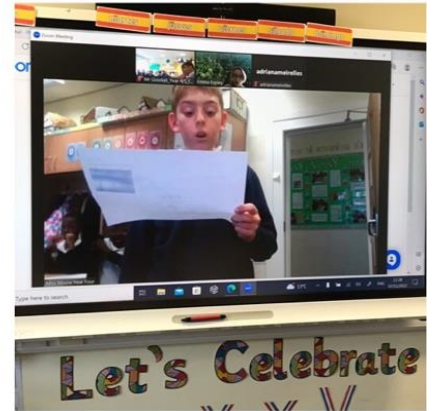
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**Year Four** had an exciting, informative and inspiring Amazon Rainforest workshop. In the morning the children learnt about the location of the Amazon Rainforest, they wrote about what their dream Amazon Rainforest would be like and then looked at the similarities and differences in the physical geography of a region. In the afternoon they joined a Zoom call with school children from the Kambeba tribe in the Amazon Rainforest and were able to ask them questions. Also, the children shared artworks they had created of an Amazon Rainforest or a forest in the United Kingdom.





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## Year 4/5

The class focused on which countries the Amazon Rainforest is spread across, the weather and climate over a year, and the impact the rainforest has across the world.

The children were even lucky enough to live call a classroom in the middle of the rainforest where they were able to communicate with children living there as well as complete an art task.



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We believe every child should have the opportunity to create, compose, and perform, as well as to visit, experience, participate in and review extraordinary work. Artsmark can help unlock the potential of children and young people, help to develop character and talent, and increase their knowledge and understanding. That's why Artsmark was created: to bring this ambition to life in every classroom.

## Arts Council England

Over the past few years at Corpus Christi Primary, we have been developing our Arts curriculum in school. This includes further improving music, art and drama opportunities and teaching as well as much more. We have worked on developing the creative curriculum so that all pupils get to experience a wide range of activities including theatre visits, learning to play both an untuned and tuned instrument as well as taking part in drama workshops. This makes a real difference to our pupils' overall development.

**We are very proud and delighted to share that we have been awarded **Gold** level Artsmark award.**



**Artsmark  
Gold Award**  
Awarded by Arts  
Council England



*Below is a quote from the feedback we were given:*

*'It is clear that you value the Arts and recognise their contribution to your ethos at Corpus Christi. You have worked to embed your creative curriculum, and clearly evidenced the measurable effects on your school community in relation to increased participation, inclusion, and teacher confidence in delivering the Arts.'*

**Congratulations and thanks to all the staff who have worked hard for this, especially Mrs Clay.**

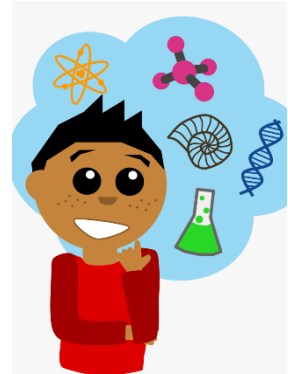




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In Science, Year 6 have been investigating the properties of materials. They carried out an experiment to find out which material makes the strongest carrier bag. Everyone enjoyed testing their predictions about the strength of the materials using their water bottles and reached the conclusion that fabric bags are the strongest.





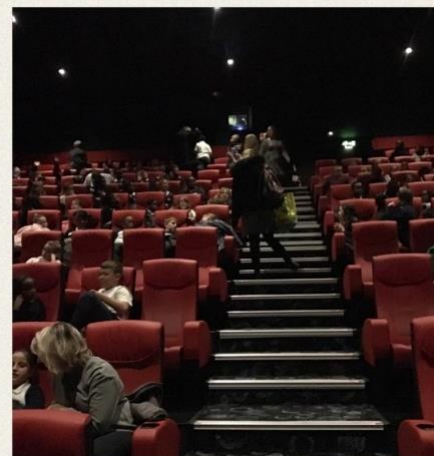


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On Thursday Year 4, along with Years 4/5, 5/6 and 6 were very fortunate to travel to a cinema in Wakefield to watch the film 'Sing 2'. For some children, this was their first visit to a cinema and so they were very excited as were the rest of the children. The pupils listened carefully to the story about friendship and about believing in yourself and others and they joined in with the singing. Thank you to Into Film and Cineworld Wakefield.

It was a really special and enjoyable experience!



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## Children in Need 2022

We have some wonderful  
Pudsey prizes to raffle  
for Children in Need this  
year.

Tickets are 50p each and  
are still on sale in  
school.







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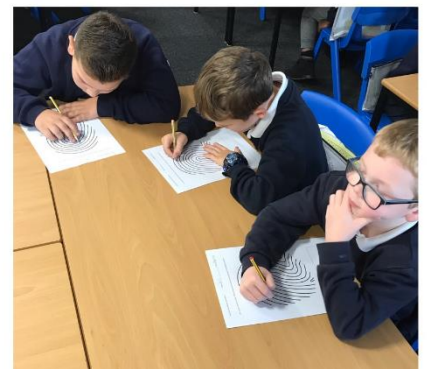
This week we welcomed Lindsey, our guest speaker from Diversity Matters who worked with pupils in Years 3-6. They learned about embracing difference, our diverse world and how we should always be kind. The children and staff took the time to reflect on our own individuality and identity and enjoyed learning about different lifestyles.

*'Embrace difference,  
End Bullying'*

Lyndsey said afterwards...

'All the pupils today were amazing, so well behaved and respectful. They asked some really mature questions and showed fantastic knowledge. They are a credit to the school and their parents.'

**What a credit the children are to themselves, their families and our school!**





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Thank you for your continuing support

Have a lovely weekend

God Bless

From Mrs Walsh

and the team at

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School