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2023-2024 Newsletter 21 (19th -23rd February 2024)

Catholic Life and Mission



We are now in the **liturgical season of Lent**. This year Lent began on Wednesday 14th February while we were on holiday.

Lent prepares us for Easter and for the renewal of our baptismal promises. Lent means 'springtime', and it is a good time to 'spring clean' our lives. We do this by trying to be like Jesus, who went into the desert to pray for forty days before he began teaching people.





"Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ's victory over death."

- Pope Francis

During Lent we journey towards Easter, <u>fasting</u>, <u>giving</u> to others less fortunate than ourselves, <u>praying</u> and reflecting on what Jesus taught and did for us so that we can truly be ready to celebrate Easter.

Dates for your diary

<u>Sunday 25th February</u> 10.30am Enrolment Mass

Corpus Christi Church

<u>Monday 8.15am or 3.30pm</u> SATs Reading booster class for Year 6

Tuesday 8.15am or 3.30pm SATs Grammar booster class for Year 6

<u>Tuesday 27th February</u>

Classes Y5 (Miss Guy and Mr Doyle) and Year 6 (Miss Oxley) enhancement visit to Armley Mills

<u>Wednesday 28th February</u> 3.30pm

Reconciliation session in school for enrolled children and their parents

<u>Thursday 8.15am or 3.30pm</u>

SATs Maths booster class for Year 6

<u>Tuesday 5th March</u>

The Railway Children Production in school

<u>Tuesday 5th March</u> Author visit- Kate Pankhurst

<u>Thursday 7th March</u> Author visit- Carly Hart World Book Day lunch

<u>Friday 8th March</u> World Book Day Dress up

as favourite book character or onesie/pyjamas



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Praying is having a conversation with God. When you love someone, you find a way to spend time with them. Pope Francis said in his Ash Wednesday homily, 'Lent is also a privileged time for prayer'. When we pray or add to our prayer time, we are showing our love for God by carving out time to spend with God. It does not really matter what kind of prayers are said, what matters is our willingness to make time for prayer. During Lent, we have asked the children to say a prayer when they wake up and just before they go to sleep.





Lent is a time for us to fast from things or give up things that distract so that we can make more room in our lives for God and do more for others.



When we give alms during the Lenten season, we are showing God our love in our willingness to recognise Christ in others. When we give to those in need we should recall Jesus own words "Whatsoever you do to the least of my people, that you do unto me."

Whatsoever You Do

Whatsoever you do to the least of my people, That you do onto me.



When I was hungry you gave me to eat. When I was thirsty you gave me to drink.



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<u>Mission- Lent</u>



Lent is a time to pray, fast and give. We do this to make space in our lives for Jesus.

Go to Jesus in prayer and ask him how he would like you to complete these Lenten practices. Remember, every time you pray, fast or give, you are turning to face God.







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Virtues to Live by - Simplicity

Certificates given in recognition of living out the virtue of **Simplicity**.



Class	Recipient	Our Virtue this week i
Reception	lvory	
Reception/Year 1	Isabella	
Year 1	Jasmine	Simplicity
Year 1/2	Marvellous	
Year 2	Ryan	
Year 3	Isobelle	
Year 3/4	Smith	
Year 4/5	Joe	
Year 5	Amy	"Behave in the world with simplicity and Godly sincerity."
Year 6	Nicola	2 Corinthians 1:12

The people awarded the certificates this week have shown signs that they are living out this virtue.





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KS2 attended Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with our lovely neighbours the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal in Corpus Christi Church and Father Pat also led Benediction. The Sisters spoke about the **Year of Prayer**.

This year is a very special year for the church **The Year of Prayer**. Pope Francis said that **The Year of Prayer 2024** is dedicated "to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer, prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church and prayer in the world".

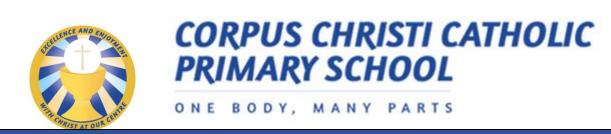
The Lord's Prayer offers us a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer with the prayer Jesus taught the disciples when they asked Him to teach them how to pray.

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.









Look at what else has been happening in school this week!

This week in **Reception and Reception Year 1** the children received a letter from the Gingerbread Man asking for their help. The Gingerbread Man explained he was being chased by an old woman, old man, cow, horse and a fox and that he had hidden somewhere and needed the children to find him. The children made 'Lost' posters to put around school so that everybody knew who to look for. Then they had to use their map to solve the clues, follow the path and find out where the Gingerbread Man was hiding.

Great detective and map skills everyone!





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In Science this week the children in **Year 1/2** looked at things that were growing in our school grounds for our new topic, Growing Things. They explored the outdoor area to find the different plants that they are growing in the grounds and discussed what they are and what they will look like when they are fully grown.





Moving on with their topic the children had great fun trying to find out what a spud is, otherwise known as a potato!







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This week, **Year 4** took part in a skipping festival. They have spent the past few months learning specific skills especially for this event. The children took part in both individual and group skips. They competed against five other schools in the Diocese. The children all worked extremely hard and had a great morning showcasing their skills. Well done everyone!

























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Rock On Corpus!!!

The Times-Table Rockstar winners from the competition held over half-term from Year 4/5, Year 5 and Year 6 classes.

Times-Table Rockstars is a great way to improve speed and accuracy of children's recall of multiplication facts. All children across school have access to this resource and it is available to use every day even when there are no competitions taking place.

Keep on times-table rocking!!!













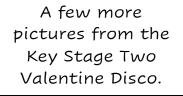


This week The Leeds United Foundation invited Jack, as a member of the Pan Disability Team, to the Leeds training ground. Jack was lucky enough to meet the team, get a free signed kit and have a fun football session with them.



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Luca and his dad took full advantage of the Leeds Rhinos offer of tickets at a reduced rate for Corpus Christi Primary. Luca thoroughly enjoyed the game and got to meet Harry Newman.



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To celebrate World Book Day on **Friday 8th March 2024** in Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School, fun-filled activities and events will be held to promote the love of reading books. During book week, there will be author visits from Caryl Hart, Kate Pankhurst and Julia Edwards.



£1 Book Tokens

Thanks to National Book Tokens, every child in school will receive a £1 book token. This can be swapped for one of the exclusive World Book Day books available at participating booksellers. You can also use it to get £1 off a full price book.

World Book Day Lunch

Thursday 7th March Theme: Harry Potter



Best Dressed Competition

- Friday 8th March

This year, come to school dressed either in a costume of your favourite book character or pyjamas or onesie!

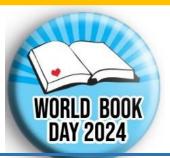
Please do not spend any money on this event.

Tuesday 5th March There will be an exciting performance from M&M theatre production company.

BOOK FAIR

On Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th March the Travelling Book Company will be in school with a Spring Book Fair bursting with top quality children's books for you and your child(ren) to enjoy together. You will need CASH to pay for the books.

Please visit our fair, which will be <u>open</u> <u>Monday and Tuesday at 3:25pm</u>, in the school hall and <u>8:40am Wednesday</u> at the front of school (weather depending). **We look forward to seeing you there!**





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Our Wonderful 'Stars of the Week' (19th-23rd February 2024)









Class	Star of the week	Reason for the award		
Reception Mrs Fothergill	Liliana	For trying hard in all lessons and joining in well.		
Reception/Year 1 Miss Kemp	Emmie	For being such a good friend.		
Year 1 Miss Kirk	Shyra	For such a big improvement in her maths work and her growing confidence.		
	Noah	For being such a superstar and always working to the best of his ability.		
Year 1/2 Mrs Child	Lottie	For applying her positive attitude to all areas of her learning and being an always child.		
	Giovanna	For working hard in all areas of her learning and being a positive role model for our class.		
Year 2 Miss Laxton	Orighoye	For his amazing sentences in his writing. You used some brilliant descriptions.		
	Luca	For showing such improvement in his wriritg and using some fabulous creative sentences.		
Year 3 Miss Currie	Joy	For fantastic effort in PE.		
	Mariama	For providing excellent answers during class discussions.		
Year 3/4	Oscar	For working hard to learn his spellings.		
Mrs Hossack Mrs Kilvington	Alfie	For always taking pride in his work		
Year 4/5 Mr Goodall	Amelia	For showing persistence and determination at the Year 4 Skipping Festival.		
	Tanatswa	For making a fantastic start to life at Corpus Christi.		
Year 5 Mr Doyle Miss Guy	Adam	Year 5 Times Table Rockstars Champion of half-term, Congratulations!		
	Jessica O	For continually pushing herself to give her best in all areas of the curriculum.		
Year 6 Miss Oxley	Joanne	For being the first student to reach 110,000 words read on Reading Plus!		
	Deshaun	For having an outstanding attitude to learning.		











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Essential Skills





Each week we award a Skills Builder Award to one child in each class who has displayed the skills focussed on that week.

Social and emotional wellbeing

Learning and academic outcomes

Careers and opportunities

Skills Builder Award (19th -23rd February 2024)

Class	Recipient	Our focus for this half-term is				
Reception	Luqman					
Reception/Year 1	Nova-Rae	HINING MIGH				
Year 1	Broden	The ability to set clear tangible goals and devise a robust route to achieving them.				
Year 1/2	Violet					
Year 2	Kunashe					
Year 3	Mikel	This skill is about being able to plan effectively-both to achieve organisational goals and also to set their own personal development targets. Initially, this is about knowing when something is too difficult and having a sense of what to do well looks like				
Year 3/4	Polly					
Year 4/5	Louie					
Year 5	Oliver	for an individual.				
Year 6	Oluwatishe					
These children have all displayed amazing skills for staying positive this						
week.						
If you aim higher than you expect, you could reach higher						

than you dreamed.





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Attendance



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Our school target this year is 97%. ACHIEVE TOMORROW ACHIEVE TOMORROW ACHIEVE TOMORROW	Class	This week	Since 5.9.2023		This week	Since 5.9.2023	
	Reception 1	95.6%	94.7%	Year 3	95.7%	97.0%	
	Reception/Year 1	99.4%	95.6%	Year 3/4	97.9%	96.9%	
	Year 1	96.3%	96%	Year 4/5	98.6%	96.1%	
	Year 1/2	99.3%	96.9%	Year 5	99.3%	97.4%	
	Year 2	96.3%	96.9%	Year 6	98.6%	97.4%	
	This week's whole school attendance 97.7%						

Wow! This week's attendance is 97.7% which is above target yet again – an amazing achievement. Well done to everyone who made this possible! Congratulations this week go to our Key Stage Two who are nearly all green, our Key Stage One are only just below target too - Corpus Christi simply the best! Thank you everyone- parents, carers and children.



A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who constantly get their children to school and on time each day.

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You are all amazing!





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Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend!

God Bless From Mrs Walsh and the team at Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School