



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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2023-2024 Newsletter 24 (11th-15th March 2024)

Catholic Life and Mission

Lent 2024

Sunday is the **fifth Sunday of Lent**. This weekend the statues and crosses in Church are covered. These last two weeks of Lent are meant to be a time of immediate preparation for the Triduum of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the covers are a fast for our eyes and a reminder to get ready by focusing on the words being said at Mass.

IMPORTANT DATES

Dates for your diary

Sunday 17th March

St Patrick's Day Parade
Leeds Millenium Square
11am
School are walking in the
Parade- all welcome to
join us.

Monday 8.15am or 3.30pm

SATs Reading
booster class

Tuesday 8.15am or 3.30pm

SATs Grammar
booster class

Tuesday 19th March 6.30pm

Corpus Christi Church
Children to receive the
Sacrament of
Reconciliation(confession)

Thursday 21st March

NSPCC visit for
Speak Out Stay Safe
Years 2,5 and 6

Thursday 8.15am or 3.30pm

SATs Maths booster class

Sunday 24th March

Palm Sunday

Mon 25th Tues 26th Wed 27th

March

BOOK FAIR after school
each evening

Thursday 28th March

**School closes for Easter
break at 1.30pm**



Virtues to Live By

"I have come that they may have life and have it to the full." John 10:10

Every day we have the opportunity to act as Jesus' disciples. A virtue is a good habit that helps us to act according to God's love for us.

Our 'Virtue to Live by' – Forgiveness

Forgiveness

"Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you."

(Colossians 3:13)

Signs we are showing Forgiveness:

- ❖ We accept God's forgiveness.
- ❖ We show our love for God. by forgiving others and ourselves.
- ❖ We give others a new start.
- ❖ We let go of our hurt feelings and give ourselves a new start.





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Mission- our faith in action

Each week we send the children out with a 'mission' to actively live out their faith in their everyday lives.

St. Patrick's Breastplate



Christ with me,
Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ inside me,
Christ under me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right hand,
Christ on my left hand,
Christ where I'm lying down,
Christ where I'm sitting,
Christ where I'm standing,
Christ in the heart of each person who remembers me,
Christ in the mouth of each person who speaks of me,
Christ in each eye that looks at me,
Christ in each ear that listens to me.



In the week ahead, let us make sure that our words and actions ensure that

- **Christ is in every eye that sees us**

and

- **Christ is in every ear that hears us.**





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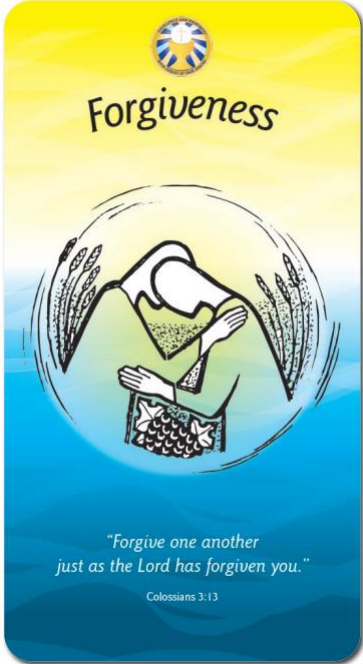
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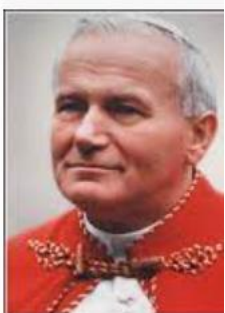
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'Virtues To Live By' Award

Forgiveness (11th-15th March 2024)

| Class | Recipient | Our Virtue for the next few weeks is  |
|------------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Reception | Issacc K | |
| Reception/Year 1 | Leveah | |
| Year 1 | Una-Rai | |
| Year 1/2 | Gabrielly | |
| Year 2 | Ava | |
| Year 3 | Keith | |
| Year 3/4 | Kyle | |
| Year 4/5 | Scarlett | |
| Year 5 | Lucie | |
| Year 6 | Modestas | |

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



Pope Saint John Paul II said,

"We all need to be forgiven by others, so we must all be ready to forgive."



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During Lent, Year 5 have been raising money for the Bishop Marcus' chosen charity – The Good Shepherd Appeal. Members of the Mini-Vinnies created and displayed posters in each class. They have sold Bible keyrings and Rosary Beads to contribute to our overall figure!





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

As part of British Science Week **Reception and Reception/Year 1** have been learning about how things grow and change over time. This week the children received a special delivery ... some caterpillars! They observed the caterpillars growing throughout the week. They read 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' to find out how the caterpillars will change over the coming weeks.

Also, after planting their sunflower seeds a couple of weeks ago the children have been very excited to see shoots starting to appear each day.





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Reception's Whole School Collective Worship about St. Patrick.

Reception and Reception/Year 1 led the whole school in their first Collective Worship which was all about St Patrick. The gospel reading from Matthew's gospel told us how Jesus commanded his disciples to baptise people in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The children explained to the rest of school, parents, grandparents and visitors how St Patrick used the shamrock to teach that there is one God who eternally exists as three distinct Persons – the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Finally, they sang 'O be careful little eyes what you see' which teach us to be Christ-like just like the words on St Patrick Breastplate.



Corpus Christi Primary School staff and children will be walking in the parade this Sunday 17th March and would love as many of our pupils as possible to join us. There will be lots of fun and activities for everyone, so come along and enjoy the day!



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For the past couple of weeks, the children in **Year 1**, **Year 1/2** and **Year 2** have been learning about the historical event of The Great Fire of London. They have researched when, where and how the fire began, how it spread so quickly and how it eventually died out. They have looked at significant buildings which were destroyed and then thought about how they would have rebuilt London by designing their own 'New London'. The children have also been lucky enough to be visited by a historian who helped them recreate a miniature Pudding Lane, where the fire began. During her visit they were able to see how the fire spread so quickly and destroyed parts of London!



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Year 2 have been learning all about 'Growing Things'. They have observed the school environment to find the different types of plants growing on our school grounds.

They have planted bean seeds to learn about the different things seeds need to germinate.



The children also learnt that when potatoes begin to sprout it is called 'chitting'. The potato has then become a seed potato. They looked at the seed potatoes and planted them. As they watch the plants grow, they will talk about all the things a plant needs to be healthy.





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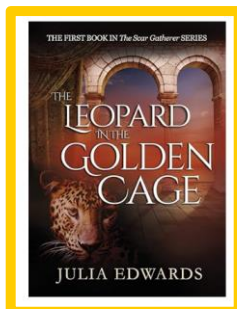
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Last week, **Year 4/5** took part in a traditional Irish music workshop. The group demonstrated the different sounds that instruments used in a traditional folk band and also taught them some traditional Irish dances to accompany to the music. They are all in the spirit now for St Patrick's Day!



Continuing our World book day celebrations, we had a visit from the author Julia Edwards. She spoke to the children about her time travelling series of books that link to significant key points in history such as the Vikings, Tudors, Great Fire of London and World War Two. She was amazed by the children's recall of prior learning.



Julia read an extract from her first book, 'Leopard in the Golden Cage'. There were also books by Julia on sale and she would like to thank all the children who bought books.



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Year 6 have really enjoyed being reading buddies with the children in Reception class during World Book Day. Lots of stories were shared!



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Last week, school welcomed the governors into school as part of their monitoring role. The focus was on the leadership, teaching and learning of History throughout the school. The governors were blown away with the children's incredible knowledge of the past as they spoke with such enthusiasm about both their current and prior learning. The children are a real credit to our school community. Thank you to all the staff for continuing to provide our children with highest quality of education!



HISTORY



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Our Wonderful 'Stars of the Week' (11th- 15th March 2024)



| Class | Star of the week | Reason for the award |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Reception Mrs Fothergill | Arna | For growing in confidence with her reading and writing. |
| Reception/Year 1 Miss Kemp | Ava | For trying hard with her writing and phonics. |
| Year 1 Miss Kirk | Vienna | For always giving 100% in everything she does. |
| | John | For being such a good friend to everyone. |
| Year 1/2 Mrs Child | Ronnie-May | For consistently showing how to be a good friend to others and treating people with kindness and respect. |
| | Selome | For showing respect to all adults and peers around school and for being an excellent role model. |
| Year 2 Miss Laxton | Elliot | For persevering and working hard towards his goal. |
| | Finley | For an amazing attitude towards his work. |
| Year 3 Miss Currie | Maizie | For extra effort in reading at home and in school. |
| | Pete | For improvement during independent writing. |
| Year 3/4 Mrs Hossack Mrs Kilvington | Nathan | For showing great enthusiasm in our writing topic. |
| | Sampson | For challenging himself and persevering in maths. |
| Year 4/5 Mr Goodall | Zuzanna | For showing great subject knowledge during our author visit with Julia Edwards. |
| | Kylarae | For a big improvement in focus during lessons and excellent work in Maths with decimals. |
| Year 5 Mr Doyle Miss Guy | Kieran | For excellent work involving converting between fractions, percentages and decimals. |
| | Tessa | For brilliant contributions in her topic work during the last few lessons. |
| Year 6 Miss Oxley | Jayden-Joe | For a significant improvement in his grammar knowledge. |
| | Baba | For a great improvement when answering questions in his reading papers. |





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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 (11th-15th March 2024)

| Class | Recipient | Our focus for this half-term is.....  The ability to set clear tangible goals and devise a robust route to achieving them. 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 for an individual. |
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| Reception | Reggie | |
| Reception/Year 1 | Khadim | |
| Year 1 | Gloria | |
| Year 1/2 | Giovanna | |
| Year 2 | Nora | |
| Year 3 | Haylo-Grace | |
| Year 3/4 | Smith | |
| Year 4/5 | Heidi | |
| Year 5 | George | |
| Year 6 | Tommy | |

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.



**AIM HIGH! THE
FUTURE YOU SEE, IS
THE PERSON YOU
WILL BE.**



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Every Day Counts



| Attendance | 11 th –15 th March.2024 | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Class | This week | Since 5.9.2023 |
| Reception 1 | 87.8% | 94.4% |
| Reception/Year 1 | 98.8% | 95.8% |
| Year 1 | 98.3% | 96.1% |
| Year 1/2 | 98.3% | 97.1% |
| Year 2 | 97.8% | 97.1% |
| Year 3 | 99.3% | 97.1% |
| Year 3/4 | 97.9% | 97% |
| Year 4/5 | 97.9% | 96.2% |
| Year 5 | 98% | 97.5% |
| Year 6 | 97.2% | 97.6% |
| This week's whole school attendance | | 97.5% |



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



Well done to all our pupils who have been in school each day so that these fantastic attendances have been achieved this week. 😊

Recently, our attendance has been consistently above target! This week nine out of ten classes are green meaning they are at or above target and giving us an overall brilliant result of 97.5%.

Congratulations everyone! - Corpus Christi simply the best!

Thank you.





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Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend
and
best wishes for the week ahead!

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

