



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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2023-2024 Newsletter 11 (20th-24th November 2023)



Virtues to Live By

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

Our 'Virtue to Live By' this week continues to be **HOPE**. The virtue of hope responds to the aspiration to happiness which God has placed in the heart of everyone.

Virtues to Live by

I am hopeful

when

I believe and trust that God will not give up on me.

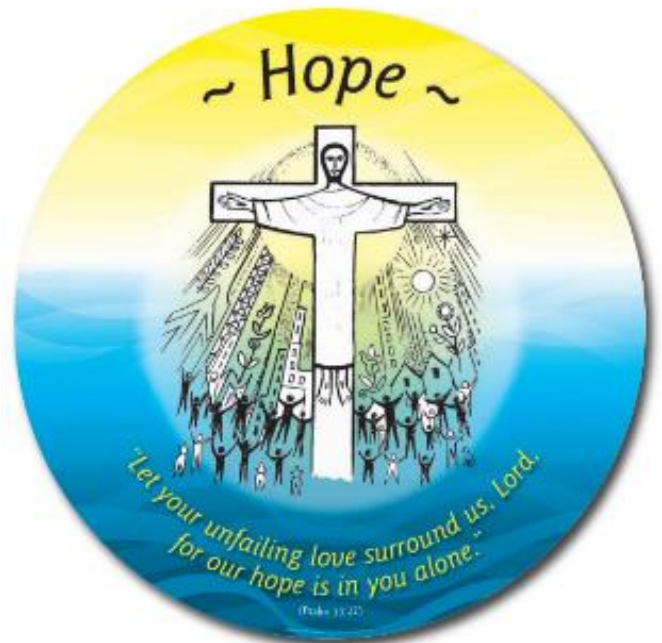
I am positive about the future.

I don't give up on myself.

I have hopes and dreams that we can all work for a better world.

I pray to God placing my life in his hands.

I know God has a plan for me.





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Sunday is the feast of **The Solemnity of Christ the King** which marks the end of the liturgical year.

In our Whole School Collective Worship, we listened to the words in Matthews's Gospel (Matthew 25:31-40) as Jesus explained how we can serve him through our love and kindness for others. We reflected upon how Jesus is the greatest king of all and how we can honour him in our lives. This links beautifully with our display in the school entrance 'Christ has

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.



Christ the King *Mission*

We want the world to know that
Jesus is the King of Kings.

How can you follow in
Jesus's footsteps?

Let Christ The King live
in you and in your
actions this coming
week.

Remember to show kindness and love to everyone.



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Important dates for your diary

Sunday 26th November
10.30am-Family Mass

Thursday 30th November
Christmas Movie night
Reception, Year 1 and
Year 2



2nd December
1st Sunday of Advent



Tuesday 5th December
9.30am Open morning for
Reception 2024 starters
4.30pm Open evening for
Reception 2024 starters

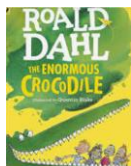
Thursday 7th December
Christmas Movie night
Years 3, 4, 5, 6



9th December
2nd Sunday of Advent



Tuesday 12th December
Year 3 visit to Leeds Playhouse
to see The Enormous Crocodile



Important Christmas dates for your diary



Wednesday 13th December
Year 1, Year 1/2 and Year 2 at 'The Polar
Express' experience



Thursday 14th December
Starts 9.30am-Reception and
Reception/Y1 Nativity play for parents and
carers.
Please be on time!

Monday 18th December
2.00pm Years 3-6 Christmas Performance in
Corpus Christi Catholic church

Tuesday 19th December
Pantomime in school

Wednesday 20th December
2.15pm KS1 Christmas Story for parents in
Corpus Christi church

Thursday 21st December
- Christmas dinner
- Christmas parties

Friday 22nd December
1pm-School closes

Monday 8th January 2024
School reopens



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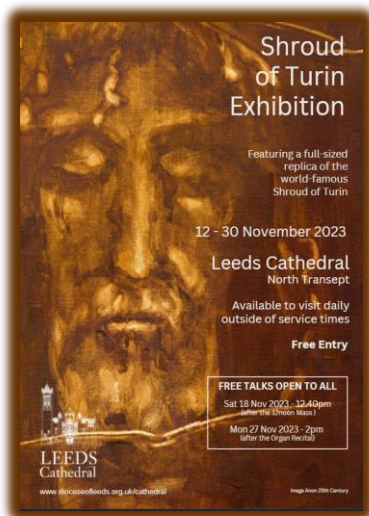
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Catholic Life of our School



Shroud of Turin

This month the replica Shroud of Turin Exhibition is visiting Leeds Cathedral. This week Year 5 and Year 6 pupils went to see the exhibition which featured a full-sized replica of the world-famous Shroud of Turin. The children were blessed to be present for a talk by Pam Moon who explained the features of the shroud and answered any questions the children had. She was very impressed by how much the children knew! Then her husband guided the children through the displays. The children were extremely well behaved and thoroughly enjoyed learning about the Shroud of Turin and how it related to the Easter Story.





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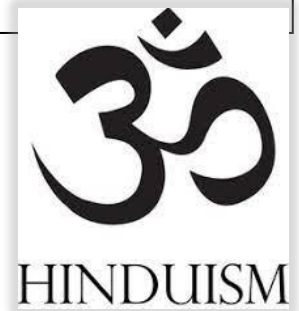
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Look at what else has been happening in school this week!



As part of the RE curriculum, a whole school assembly was held to learn more about the Hindu faith. It was led by Seema, who spoke about key features of this world religion and the children participated by answering questions, dancing and trying on clothes worn for special occasions. The children were amazed at the length of a sari and Seema then showed them how to put one on. All the children were respectful, listening carefully to our visitor and Seema complimented the children.





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Year 1

This week Year 1 took part in some Diwali dancing. Vanessa, our visitor, taught the children a short piece of choreography to some music. The children worked really hard to follow the moves and everyone had a great time. Well done Year 1!



Year 3 welcomed Vanessa who came to teach them all about Diwali which is an important festival in the Hindu faith. Diwali is a festival of lights that celebrates the triumph of light over darkness, good over evil and knowledge over ignorance. Vanessa taught the children some Diwali dance moves and how to Bollywood dance. The children worked well together and really enjoyed performing the different dance moves.



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HAPPY
Diwali

Reception and Reception Year 1

The children in Reception and Year 1 also enjoyed the Diwali Dancing workshop. The children copied the moves carefully and joined in wholeheartedly. At the end of the session, they split into two groups and performed the dance for each other.



Year 3/4

Year 3/4 enjoyed their session with Vanessa learning about Diwali and performing their Diwali dancing.





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Year 1

On Tuesday afternoon the children took part in their first cooking lesson this year. They worked with Miss Gilby to make a 'Crunchy Salad'. The children worked in groups to cut up a variety of different fruit and vegetables such as celery, cucumber and peppers. They used two cutting methods, the claw and the bridge. Every child was able to practise each cutting method to make a group salad. They worked well as a team and all enjoyed their tasty salad at the end of the lesson.





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Year 1/2

Last week in Year 1/2, the children had the opportunity to participate in our Classroom Kitchen. The children made a range of veggie snacks. The children practised using their bridge and claw method to cut up the vegetables.



Year 1/2

In their writing lessons, the children have continued to develop their instruction writing. This week the children made jam sandwiches and then planned and wrote their own instructions for an alien to follow.





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Key Stage 2

On Thursday afternoon, pupils from across KS2 classes took part in a musical celebration. Year 3 and Year 3/4 amazed us with their body percussion and rhythm skills as well as playing the Djembe whilst Year 5 and 6 came together to play their melodicas in unison. The children showed fantastic concentration, focus and confidence to perform. It sounded amazing! Thank you to all the audience members who came to support the pupils, we all appreciate your support.



'A fantastic performance from all the classes, it brought a smile to my face and brightened up my afternoon.'

Parent comment

'These musical celebrations are amazing as always. The children and staff did amazingly.'

Parent comment





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Year 3/4

This week Year 3/4 started their new Geography topic - North America - with an amazing Virtual Reality workshop. The children explored the countries found in North America and identified some of the famous landmarks. This was such a fantastic way to explore the continent. The children were fascinated by the experience.



Year 4/5 Year 4/5 also had a Virtual Reality workshop visiting different landmarks of North America. The children visited Canada, Alaska, New York and California, exploring the Golden Gate bridge, Central Park, The Empire State building and many others. The children were able to discuss facts associated with each place and to explore each destination as if they were actually there!



As part of their History Topic, Year 5 and Year 6 used Virtual Reality to learn more about the trenches in World War 1. They used VR through goggles or through a hand-held device which really helped the children to understand the conditions soldiers lived in whilst fighting in Europe.





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Year 6

Although this is last week's news- we could not leave this happy crowd out!



PIC-COLLAGE



Year 5

Year 5 enjoyed wearing non-uniform, some dressing in Pudsey Bear outfits, to raise money for the charity 'Children in Need'. We think they all looked fantastic!



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Our Wonderful 'Stars of the Week'

(20th -24th November 2023)



Class	Star of the week	Reason for the award
Reception Mrs Fothergill	Evie	For super singing during our Nativity practice.
Reception/Year 1 Miss Kemp	Luqman	For super listening and joining in.
Year 1 Miss Kirk	Zion	For his excellent working attitude and for listening well and following instructions.
	Freddie	For his excellent work during our cooking lesson and using the claw and bridge method well.
Year 1/2 Mrs Child	Marvellous	For his wonderful achievements in his assessment papers, he has work so hard!
	Isla	For trying very hard to use her phonics and write sentences independently.
Year 2 Miss Laxton	Lewis	For making some amazing contributions in the lesson.
	Norah	For persevering on a task. What a positive attitude you had!
Year 3 Miss Currie	Halo-Grace	For growing in confidence every day.
	Isobelle	For being an enthusiastic reader.
Year 3/4 Mrs Hossack Mrs Kilvington	Bang	For always listening and trying her best.
	Chidiebube	For being an enthusiastic learner.
Year 4/5 Mr Goodall	Alfie	For writing a fantastic winter poem and presenting it to the class with confidence and clarity.
	Kylarae	For being engaged in lessons and always trying her best.
Year 5 Mr Doyle Miss Guy	Annabel	For fantastic maths work over the last week.
	Teddie	For wonderful reading in class.
Year 6 Miss Oxley	Amelia	For working very hard to improve her reading.
	Madison	For being fully focussed in writing lessons and creating an excellent piece of work.



Congratulations!





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Social and emotional wellbeing

Learning and academic outcomes

Skills Builder PARTNERSHIP

Careers and opportunities

Each week we award a Skills Builder Award to one child in each class.

Skills Builder Award (20th - 24th November 2023)

Class	Recipient	<p>Our focus for this half-term is.....</p>  <p>Supporting, encouraging and developing others to achieve a shared goal.</p> <p>This skill is relevant not only for individuals in positions of management, but also for individuals working with peers in teams.</p> <p>The focus is on empathy – understanding their own feelings, being able to share them and recognising the feelings of others.</p>
Reception	Nathaniel	
Reception/Year 1	Ivory	
Year 1	Riaan	
Year 1/2	Denis	
Year 2	Bella	
Year 3	Zachariah	
Year 3/4	Daniel	
Year 4/5	Evie-Lea	
Year 5	Owami	
Year 6	Ramona	

These children have all displayed amazing teamwork skills this week.





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Sporting News

This week some of our Year 3s were selected to play in a round of fixtures for their league at Fives in Seacroft. The team played brilliantly. They were able to win all of their matches this time round, beating Christ the King 5-0, Wetherby St Joseph 5-0 and East Garforth 5-1! They put on a really dominant display across all three games with some excellent individual performances and playing some great football at times. Well done everyone!

WINNERS



PIC-COLLAGES



EWAN YEAR 5

East Leeds Rugby Club
Catches Player of the Year &
Sponsors Player of the Year

PIC-COLLAGES

Well Done!




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Attendance

At Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School, we want all of our children to attend school every day as we know that not only will this enable them to achieve their very best academically but that it also helps them to develop social skills, make friends, and experience a variety of different activities every day. We continue to focus on supporting all of our children to be in school every day and would like to thank our parents for their support with this too!

Attendance (20-24 th November 2023)						
Our school target this year is 97% . 	Class	This week	Since 5.9.2023		This week	Since 5.9.2023
	Reception 1	97.2%	95%	Year 3	97%	96.4%
	Reception/Year 1	98.1%	95.2%	Year 3/4	99.3%	96.5%
	Year 1	95.7%	96%	Year 4/5	96.9%	95.1%
	Year 1/2	97.6%	96.7%	Year 5	98%	97%
	Year 2	98.5%	96.5%	Year 6	97.8%	97%
This week's whole school attendance					97.8%	

This week's attendance is **97.8%** which is above school's target, a full 1% above last week and a great achievement. Eight classes have reached target this week which is fantastic! This is brilliant news for our pupils who will reap the benefits of being in school every day and learning. A massive thank you to all parents and carers who get the children in and on time every day, all your effort is appreciated. We are very proud to have such committed families.



Punctuality

In school we are using an electronic signing in/out system for late arrivals and early leavers. Late stickers will be given to children arriving late to hand to their teacher and early leavers stickers will be given to children to authorise them to leave school early for appointments etc.

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, if Your Child is Late Every Day By...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

This will also allow us to monitor punctuality. All children should be in class ready to learn by 8.55am. If your child arrives after the start of the school day from 8.55am up to 9.15am they will be classed as late and marked as such in the register. If they arrive after 9.15am, their arrival will be marked as an unauthorised. Please endeavour to get your child in school for learning at 8.55am. Children arriving late lose valuable learning time.



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Corpus Christi School Council Presents



Christmas Movie Night



Reception, Year 1 and 2 - Thursday 30th November

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Thursday 7th December

£2.50 per ticket

pay online or use barcode 'Other'

This includes watching a Christmas movie, a drink, popcorn and a chocolate bar.

Finish 4.30pm

Come and join in the fun!





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Is your child due to
start primary
school in
2024?



Applications are open for Reception places
to start in **September**

You can apply online until **15 January 2024**

Before you apply, find out more at
www.leeds.gov.uk/apply

- Learn about the admissions process
- Research schools so you can list your 5 preferences
- Read each school's admissions policy
- Understand where your child might be offered a place
- Check if your home address gives you priority

Call us on
0113 222 4414

Watch our quick
guide to school
admissions



Applying for primary school or junior place for September 2024

When and how do I apply?

Applications are open between 1 November 2023 and 15 January 2024 (national closing date). There is no advantage in applying early, all applications made by the national closing date are treated equally.

If you live in Leeds, you apply online at www.leeds.gov.uk/apply.

If you don't live in Leeds, you must apply to your home local authority (whoever empties your bins) but you can still ask for Leeds schools. We will work with other local authorities if you ask for schools in their area.

Do I have to include 5 schools?

You should apply for 5 schools to give your child the best chance of getting a place at a school you want. Asking for only 1 school, or the same school 5 times, does not increase your chances of being given a place at that school.

You need to list the schools in your order of preference when you apply. Schools don't know your preference order so this doesn't have any impact on whether your child will be offered a place. On offer day if a place is available at more than 1 school on your list, we offer you the highest school on your list.



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Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely week!

God Bless

From Mrs Walsh

and the team at

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School.