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2023-2024 Newsletter **19** (29th January- 2nd February 2024)



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' - Simplicity

Our 'Virtues to Live By' for the Spring term are Faith, Simplicity, Love/Charity and Forgiveness. So, for the next few weeks, we will be focusing on the virtue of Simplicity which means appreciating the little things in life and knowing what really matters.

Simplicity

Signs we are living the virtue of Simplicity.

- We know what really matters in life.
- We give time to think of others, do good and care for our world- God's creation.
- Living simply helps us put more trust in God.



Key Dates for your diary

Wednesday 7th February

7pm-Confirmation service in Corpus Christi Church for candidates who have completed the sacramental preparation programme.

Wednesday 7th
February
3.45- 6.30 pm

Parent Consultations

Thursday 8th February 4.30-7.30 pm

Parent Consultations

<u>Friday 9th February</u> School closes for half term holiday

<u>Monday</u> <u>February 19th February</u> School reopens





Simplicity means knowing what really matters and appreciating the little things. In our whole school Collective Worship, Mrs Walsh shared these words from St Matthew's Gospel.

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:21)

This Gospel reading reminds us to think about what really matters and to appreciate the little everyday things.









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Mission-Simplicity Week 1

Knowing what really matters



Our mission in the week ahead is to know what matters and appreciate the little things.







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Catholic Life and Mission



Virtues to Live by - Simplicity

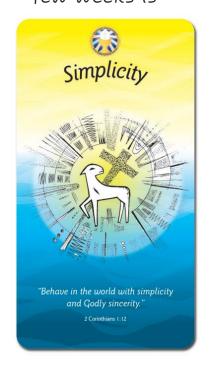


Certificates given in recognition of living out the virtue of **Simplicity**.

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Class	Recipient			
Reception	Arna			
Reception/Year 1	Tsolayemi			
Year 1	Caleb			
Year 1/2	Lottie			
Year 2	Scarlett H			
Year 3	Bella			
Year 3/4	Harriet			
Year 4/5	Faith			
Year 5	Adam			
Year 6	Daniel			

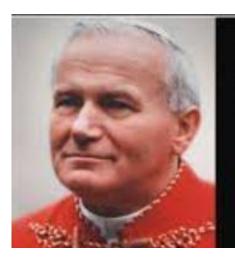
Our Virtue for the next few weeks is



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







What really matters in life is that we are loved by Christ and that we love Him in return. In comparison to the love of Jesus, everything else is secondary. And, without the love of Jesus, everything is useless.

- Pope John Paul II -

This week **Year 1/2** welcomed Sister Chiara and Sister Therese into their class. The children were very engaged when taught the different names of the clothes the Sisters wear. The children listened intently as Sister Chiara described how she had heard a message from God saying 'Follow Me'. It was a proud moment for staff when one pupil then asked if the class could sing the hymn 'Follow Me' for them. Well done, Year 1/2!













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

The children in Reception have continued their Chinese New Year celebrations by learning about pandas. During Art, the children have independently completed their own version of collage pandas based on the work of Megan Coyle. Don't they look fantastic?

















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This week the children in **Year**1/2 have been carrying out
investigations about materials in
Science to find out about their
different properties.

In Year 1, the children had to test materials to see if they were waterproof or not. Then they had to find which materials were transparent.

The Year 2s investigated which materials they could squash, bend, twist or stretch and recorded their results.









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Year 2 enjoyed investigating which materials were magnetic and which materials were not. The children identified that the metal objects that were magnetic. The children enjoyed investigating whether all types of metal were magnetic and they found that some metal items in the classroom that were not.

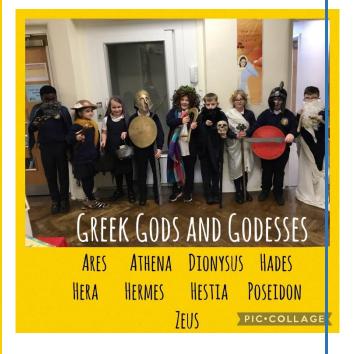
After this, the children loved making a magnetic game by: creating a map, using a magnet and a paper clip. Using a magnet, they moved the paper clip towards the treasure!





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Year 3 and Year 3/4 had the most fantastic day learning about Ancient Greece. The children took part in a range of enjoyable, enhancement activities to learn about democracy, Greek gods, Greek battles and the first Olympic Games. The children enjoyed dressing up as Greek warriors to take part in the Battle of Marathon. The grand finale was the Olympic games which included a torch procession, flag display and a chariot race. What a fun filled day of learning the children had to reinforce their prior learning about Ancient Greece!



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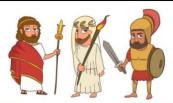
This week, **Year 4/5** had a brilliant day working with The Past Present looking in depth at the Ancient Greeks. They learnt about Greek social classes and which citizens were the least and most powerful. They then looked at the different battle tactics used by the Ancient Greeks and had their own Battle of Marathon. Later they explored different artefacts from the time period, looking at weapons, maps and even a boat! They were also able to spend some time looking at the different Greek Gods. The day ended with the classes been split into areas of Ancient Greece and competing in an Olympic event with an opening ceremony, flag bearers and chariot racing.

































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Year 5 had their cooking session earlier this week. They used the skills they had learnt from previous lessons to bake savoury scones.







Parent and Child Cooking Club

This week the group made a quick and easy veggie pasta bake. The children are becoming more confident with their chopping skills. The group work well and even helped with the washing up!





Attendance







Attendance (29.01.24 - 02.02.24)						
Our school target this year is 97%. ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW ATTENDANCE WORKS	Class	This week	Since 5.9.2023		This week	Since 5.9.2023
	Reception 1	96.1%	94.6%	Year 3	97.2%	97.1%
	Reception/Year 1	97.6%	95.2%	Year 3/4	97.8%	96.8%
	Year 1	98.3%	95.9%	Year 4/5	99.6%	95.9%
	Year 1/2	96.6%	96.9%	Year 5	99%	97.1%
	Year 2	96.3%	96.9%	Year 6	97.8%	97.5%
	This week's whole school attendance 97.8%					

Wow, just wow!! This week's attendance is 97.8% which is even up on last week – that is an amazing achievement, well done to everyone who made this possible! Congratulations go to the whole of Key Stage 2 on being above school target, brilliant.



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

You are all amazing!





Our Wonderful 'Stars of the Week' (29.01- 02.02 2024)











Class	Star of <mark>the</mark> week	Reason for the award
Reception Mrs Fothergill	Ademide	For trying so hard with her writing and feeling proud of her hard work.
Reception/Year 1 Miss Kemp	Reynauld	For being a super friend and for trying hard with his writing.
Year 1 Miss Kirk	Giovanni	For his excellent work in Maths this week.
	Joel	For excellent work in Maths this week and having rapid recall of doubles to 20.
Year 1/2 Mrs Child	Devantae	For independently applying his reading comprehension skills to improve his scores.
	Damilare	For his independent work in Maths and for improving his listening skills.
Year 2 Miss Laxton	Khadija	For showing such improvement and making sure she is writing in clear sentences.
	Rohaan	For his amazing sentences in his writing. You used some brilliant descriptions.
Year 3 Miss Currie	Krisha	For excellent retrieval skills during Guided Reading and home reader.
	Skylar	For always contributing and trying her best during class discussions.
Year 3/4	Lara	For always listening and trying her best in all subjects.
Mrs Hossack Mrs Kilvington	Bang	For always taking pride in the presentation of her work.
Year 4/5 Mr Goodall	Liam	For joining in class discussions and asking questions to extend his learning.
	Faith	For being a great role model and always working hard across the curriculum.
Year 5	Andrew	For his excellent contributions in his writing lessons.
Mr Doyle Miss Guy	Yaelle	For wonderful ideas in her writing work.
Year 6 Miss Oxley	Jayden-Joe	For representing our school at the Leeds Cathedral Choir.
	Laroya	For always being a conscientious and hard-working pupil in every lesson.









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.







Careers and opportunities

Skills Builder Award (29.01-02.02)

Class	Recipient
Reception	Logan
Reception/Year 1	Joseph
Year 1	Shyra
Year 1/2	Denis
Year 2	Scarlett C
Year 3	Damian
Year 3/4	Nathan
Year 4/5	Raine
Year 5	Amelia
Year 6	Evie

Our focus for this half-term is.....



The ability to use tactics and strategies to overcome setbacks and achieve goals.

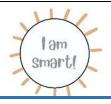
This skill is about pupils being equipped to manage their emotions effectively, staying motivated and then motivating others, even when facing setbacks.

The early steps focus on identifying emotions, either feeling positive or negative. Following that, if feeling positive, trying to cheer up and encourage others. If feeling negative, having the ability to keep calm and identifying what went wrong.

Finally pupils support each other to stay positive and help others to see opportunities and creating plans to achieve them.

These children have all displayed amazing skills for staying positive this week.









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Friday 9th February 2024

1.30pm - 3.00pm

Tickets: £1.50

(Payment online or request a barcode from the office)

An afternoon of dancing with some heart shaped treats.

Wear pink, red or your favourite party clothes to school.







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FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY - 8PM KICK OFF

JOIN US FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE NIGHT AT OUR SEASON OPENER OF THE 2024 BETFRED SUPER LEAGUE!

BOOK YOUR TICKETS

VIA SCHOOL BY MONDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2024

All children who purchase tickets through school will be invited to take part in the pre-match pitch side parade!

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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

