

2024-2025 Newsletter 18 (20th-24th January 2025)

Catholic Life and Mission



Today, Friday 24th January 2025, was Jubilee Launch Day and our Chaplaincy Team led the whole school in a launch service in church with Canon Pat.

During this Jubilee Year, Pope Francis is asking us to go on a special journey of prayer and action ...a journey which will bring hope to all people of the world.

Let us pray,

May we journey as pilgrims of hope in this Jubilee Year, seeking to come together to build a better world for all people and all creation.

Amen



Important events for your diary

Tuesday 28th January 2025

Classes Year 2/3 and Year 3 at the Armley Mills Victorian Schoolroom experience

Class Year 4 cooking lesson

Football after school club - Year 5

Wednesday 28th January 2025

Class Year 2 at the Armley Mills Victorian
Schoolroom experience

Reception and Reception/Year 1 Chinese New Year cooking experience

Swimming lessons for classes Year 4 and Year
4/5

Diocesan Singing Programme lessons for classes Year 3 and Year 4 followed by hymn practice for classes Year 1, Year 2 and Year 2/3

Melodica instrument whole class lesson for classes Year 5/6 and Year 6

Thursday 30th January

Djembe instrument lessons for classes Year 3 and Year 4

Fridays

Artforms whole class music specialist lessons Choir after school club

Wednesday 5th February 2025

7.00pm Confirmation in Corpus Christi Church for the candidates

Friday 14th February

3.20pm School closes for half term

Monday 24th February

School reopens



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This year is a special year for our global Church family. Pope Francis, the leader of the Catholic Church, announced that 2025 would be a Jubilee Year entitled 'Pilgrims of Hope' which started on Christmas Eve, 24th December 2024 and continues through to The Feast of the Epiphany on 6th January 2026. To launch the Jubilee Year, the whole school went on a pilgrimage journey to Corpus Christi Church. There our school's Chaplaincy Team prepared and led a service for the whole school community to officially launch the Jubilee Year for school. The Chaplaincy Team created a 'Door of Hope' in Corpus Christi Catholic Church which each class walked through the as a sign of their commitment to follow Jesus and his way of love, justice and forgiveness.

Well done and thank you to our Chaplaincy Team and Miss Guy!







In their whole school Collective worship, **Year 2/3** shared the story of St Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus. They explained that this bible story teaches us that God completely transforms a person's life when they believe in Jesus. God chose St Paul to be His instrument to share the Good News throughout the world and that God has a purpose and plan for each person who places their faith in Jesus.





Mission-our faith in action

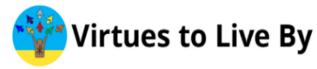
Each week we send the children out with a 'mission' to actively live out their faith in their everyday lives.

Year 2/3 led the whole school in a thoughtprovoking collective worship about the Conversion of St Paul on the road to Damascus. This event is a great example of how God can change someone's life for the better.

In the week ahead, let us all try to be like St Paul and make one change for the better.







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

Our 'Virtues to Live By' for the Spring term are <u>Faith</u>, Simplicity, Charity and Forgiveness. We are currently focusing on the virtue of <u>Faith</u>.

Faith is to trust. Faith helps us grow in friendship with Jesus and his friendship helps us become the best we can be by becoming more like him. Growing in friendship with Jesus means learning to trust him and knowing that he is always with us. Faith is always open to new things. A person of faith believes in God and all that God has done. But faith is not simply a belief that something is true, it is a way of living. We are called not only to keep the faith but to live a faithful life filled with hope and love.

Faith

"For we walk by faith, not by sight."

(2 Corinthians 5:7)

Signs we are being Faithful

- We know that faith is a gift from God.
- Faith helps us grow in friendship with Jesus.
- We show our faith by living our lives filled with hope and love.
- ♦ Our words and actions show our faith in God's love.

To trust God in the light is nothing, but trust him in the dark - that is faith.

Charles H. Spurgeon



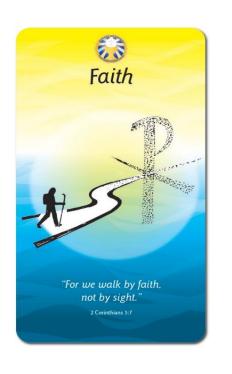
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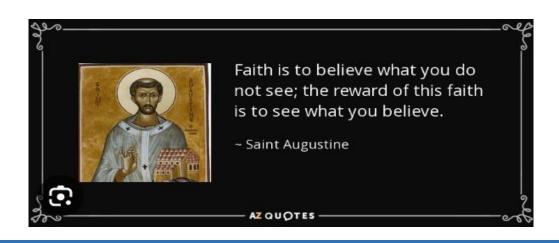


Virtues to Live By

	(20 th -24 th January 2025)		
Class	Recipient	O	
Reception	Eleesha		
Reception/Year 1	Gianna		
Year 1	Mackenzie		
Year 2	Darasime		
Year 2/3	Kunashe		
Year 3	Jeremiah		
Year 4	Ella		
Year 4/5	Jensen		
Year 5/6	Kayden		
Year 6	Keyla		

Our focus 'Virtue to Live By' is **Faith**.







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Our Wonderful 'Stars of the Week' (20th-24th January 2025)









Class	Star of the week	Reason for the award			
Reception Miss Horkan	Jovan	For learning to copy his name onto a whiteboard.			
Reception/Year 1 Miss Kirk	Reilly	For his excellent effort in our gymnastic lesson.			
Year 1 Miss Laxton	Arna	For a huge improvement in her writing.			
	Ademidie	For always having a fantastic attitude towards her learning			
Year 2 Mrs Child	Oscar	For persevering in spelling, he is trying so hard to apply his wonderful phonic knowledge to his written work.			
	Marvellous	For improving his attitude towards his learning in all areas. Well done Marvellous!			
Year 2/3 Miss Currie	Whole Class	For leading a wonderful Collective Worship.			
Year 3 Mrs Hossack	Nene	For always working hard and trying his best in every lesson.			
	Atarah	For being a wonderful role model in Year 3.			
Year 4 Mr Goodall	Molly	For always being eager to contribute to class discussions.			
	Sophia	For working hard to improve the fluency of her reading.			
Year 4/5 Miss McBride	Teddy	For brilliant knowledge of his timetable and a great effort during the times table competition!			
	Harper Rose	For working hard to find the area of a rectangle and compound shapes. Well done!			
Year 5/6	Jenson	For an improved focus in his learning including some excellent contributions to class discussions.			
Mr Doyle Miss Guy	Keyla	For being enthusiastic towards her learning and always encouraging others to give their best.			
Year 6 Miss Oxley	Oliver	For working incredibly hard to improve his handwriting style.			
	Ewan	For fabulous contributions and concentration in reading lessons.			







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



Learning and academic wellbeing outcomes



Careers and opportunities

Skills Builder Award (20th-24th January 2025)

Class	Recipient			
Reception (Miss Horkan)	Chiziterm			
Reception/Year 1 (Miss Kirk)	Ariya			
Year 1 (Miss Laxton)	Ava			
Year 2 (Mrs Child)	Grace			
Year 2/3 (Miss Currie)	Connie			
Year 3 (Mrs Hossack)	Violet			
Year 4 (Mr Goodall)	Krisha			
Year 4/5 (Miss McBride)	Lexi			
Year 5/6 (Mr Doyle/Miss Guy)	Mia			
Year 6 (Miss Oxley)	Annabel			



Staying Positive

The ability to use tactics and strategies

Our focus Skills Builder skill is....Positivity

This skill is all about individuals being equipped to manage their emotions effectively and being able to remain motivated, and ultimately to motivate others, even when facing setbacks.

The early steps focus on identifying emotions - particularly feeling positive or negative. Building off that is the ability to keep trying and then staying calm, thinking about what went wrong, and trying to cheer up and encourage others.



These children have all displayed amazing **positivity** skills for this week.









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Attendance



Attendance (20 th -24 th January 2025)								
Our school target this year is 97%. ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW	Class	This week	Since 3.9.2024		This week	Since 3.9.2024		
	Reception 1	96.5%	96.6%	Year 3	93.7%	96.8%		
	Reception/Year 1	96.5%	95.9%	Year 4	98.1%	95.5%		
	Year 1	95.3%	95.8%	Year 4/5	95.7%	94.9%		
	Year 2	97.6%	95.6%	Year 5/6	96.1%	96.4%		
	Year 2/3	95.7%	95.5%	Year 6	99.3%	97.9%		
ATTENDANCE WORKS	This week's whole school attendance 96.5%							



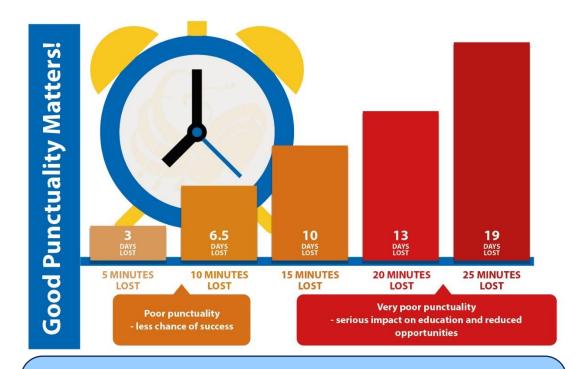
This week's attendance is 96.5% which is just below our school target. Let's hope we can improve our attendance next week.

Year 6 Miss Oxley have the highest attendance this week with 99.3% and along with Year 2 and Year 4 are the only classes to reach school target, so well done to Year 6, Year 2 and Year 4!





Good time keeping at Corpus Christi Primary means being in school...ON TIME...And ready to learn!



DID YOU KNOW?

If you are 15 minutes late each day, you will have missed 2 full weeks of learning in one year.

Gates open at 8.40am promptly and close at 8.55am.

Please be on time so you give your child the best chance of success.



Look what has been happening in school.







Wow, what an achievement!
Congratulations to all the pupils and staff and especially Mrs Kilvington.

Corpus Christi Primary School achieves accreditation as a Centre of Excellence for Financial Education.

Corpus Christi Primary School in Halton Moor, Leeds has been recognised as a Centre of Excellence in Financial Education by the national financial and enterprise education charity Young Enterprise.

Centres of Excellence is a whole-school improvement programme that identifies children and young people's learning needs, embeds good financial education practice into the curriculum, and equips teachers with the knowledge, skills and confidence to deliver practical and sustainable financial education.

Accredited Centres of Excellence provide young people with access to a meaningful financial education that has the potential to change their lives while simultaneously building financially capable communities.

Corpus Christi Primary joins a network of over 110 Centres of Excellence across England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. This network is committed to empowering their young people and networks to discover, develop and celebrate their skills and potential while positively impacting the communities they live in.

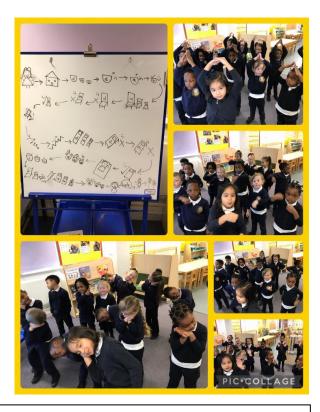




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In Reception and Reception/Year 1

the children have been enjoying their new role play area 'The Three Bears Cottage'. In writing they have been learning the story of Goldilocks and the Three bears and as a class they created a story map to help them retell it.



In the workshop area, they have been making their own Goldilocks and the Three Bears masks and they even got to make and taste some of Mummy Bear's porridge. All of the children have really enjoyed taking part in the different activities.

Well done Reception and Reception/Year 1!







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On Thursday some of the children in Reception and Reception/Year 1 had a wonderful treat. Mrs O'Leary and Mr Manku brought the djembe drums into class for them to play. They really enjoyed playing and copying the rhythms. Some of the children even managed to lead too. It was lovely to see all the children getting involved and being so engaged in making music together.





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Year 2/3 enjoyed a visit from the Franciscan Sisters, and listening to a story about Mary, Our Mother. The Sisters led the children in learning a new song. Year 2&3 also got the chance to perform the song 'Blinded By Your Grace' from their Collective Worship to the Sisters who were very impressed!





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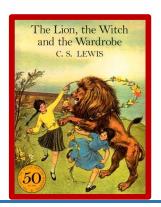


This week, our **Year 4** children took part in a times table competition, competing against 900 other schools across the country and have qualified as one of the 30 finalists. The children did an amazing job and came in 3rd place in their league! There were four children in the year group who came in the top 10 for individual scores. The teachers are all very proud of the children's efforts!

Good luck in the final!



Year 4/5 had a fantastic afternoon at the West Yorkshire Playhouse watching The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance and the staff are very proud of how well they represented the school.







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Year 5/6 enjoyed making and eating their own fish cakes this week. They were able to safely demonstrate the key skills of peeling, chopping and mashing.

The fish cakes were absolutely delicious and were enjoyed by everyone.























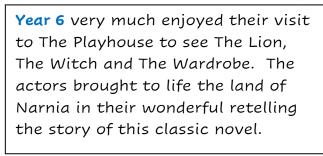


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Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend!

From Mrs Walsh

and the team at

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School