



# CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

ONE BODY, MANY PARTS



2024-2025 Newsletter 23 (3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> March 2025)

## Catholic Life and Mission



*Lent is a time for welcoming God into our lives and allow him to make his dwelling among us.*  
Pope Francis

On Wednesday

Like Advent, where we prepare for Jesus's birth at Christmas, Lent is also a liturgical season of preparation, as we get ready for Easter—the Church's greatest celebration.

The season of  
**LENT** is a  
season of **LOVE**.

**PRAY**  
IS LOVE FOR GOD  
**FAST**  
IS LOVE FOR YOURSELF  
**GIVE**  
IS LOVE FOR OTHERS

Important events for your diary

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March  
Year 2 cooking with Classroom Kitchen

Irish History Month  
Folk Museum workshops  
Year 4 and 4/5

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

Reconciliation Meeting in school 3.30-4.30

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March

Leeds St Patrick's Day Parade Millennium Square  
11.00am  
All welcome to join school staff to walk in the parade

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
Year 1 cooking with Classroom Kitchen

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March

Book Fair in School mornings and evenings  
**CASH ONLY**

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
Year 6 'Degree in a Day' enhancement experience at Leeds University



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# 40

The 40 days of Lent are based on two accounts: the 40 years of wandering by the Israelites and our Lord's 40 days in the wilderness at which point He was tempted by Satan.

Lent draws its inspiration from the 40 days Jesus spent in the desert. The Gospels tell us that after his baptism, Jesus fasted in the desert and then was tempted by the devil. He resisted these temptations and then went to Galilee to begin his public ministry.

**Lent** is an ancient English word meaning 'Springtime' and so it is a good time to 'spring clean' our lives by praying, fasting and carrying out acts of love so that we can truly be ready to celebrate Easter.





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



Our mission for Lent is to journey together in hope by following Pope Francis' advice.

## POPE FRANCIS' Advice for Lent

Fast from **hurting** words and say kind **words**.

Fast from **sadness**  
and be filled with **gratitude**.

Fast from **anger** and be filled with **patience**.

Fast from **pessimism** and be filled with **hope**.

Fast from **worries** and **trust in God**.

Fast from **complaints**  
and **contemplate** simplicity.

Fast from **pressures** and be **prayerful**.

Fast from **bitterness**  
and fill your heart with **joy**.

Fast from **selfishness**  
and be **compassionate** to others.

Fast from **grudges** and be **reconciled**.

Fast from **words**  
and be silent so you can **listen**.



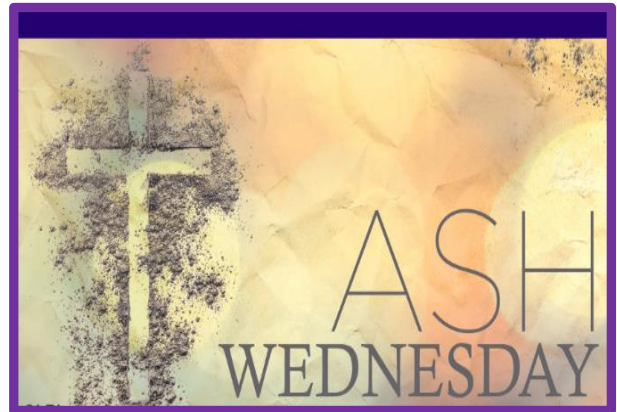




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On Wednesday, which was **Ash Wednesday**, we began the season of **Lent** remembering that God so loved the world and each one of us that he sent us his only Son to live and die for us.



**Year 5/6** led the whole school and the Parish community at Mass for Ash Wednesday. The pupils read reverently and all the children led the congregation in beautifully singing the hymns.





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During Lent, the Alleluia is not sung during Mass or collective worship. The Chaplaincy Team locked away the Alleluia in each classroom to await the Resurrection of Jesus at Easter.







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## PANCAKE PRAYERS

So why do we make pancakes on Shrove Tuesday?

Lent is the period of six weeks leading up to Easter. It starts on Ash Wednesday and ends during Holy Week. It lasts a total of forty days, not including Sundays.

The idea of Lent started in the fourth century – a long time ago. Back then baptisms took place at Easter.

The forty days of Lent gave people time to prepare for their baptism, and often they fasted – went without food to help them think about what they were about to do. Other members of the church would fast too. Gradually Christians began to associate the fast with the 40 days when Jesus went into the desert to fast and pray in preparation for his ministry.

The day before Lent starts is Shrove Tuesday. We also call it Pancake Day. Traditionally Christians gave up meat, fat, eggs and dairy products for Lent. (Today people often give up things like chocolate and crisps.) This was the last chance to use up these foods before Lent began.

So, in preparation for Lent and Easter, let's mix up some pancake batter – and share pancakes!

### **Mixing the pancake batter:**

When we make pancakes, and we think about the mix.

We come to God as we are: some bits good, some bits bad. We are not always sure what is right and what is wrong – we're here together in a mixture called life.

So we sift in some flour, smoothing out the lumps and bumps: the things we regret and the wrong things we have done.

We add a pinch of sugar, to make the ordinary better – with God's love.

We mix in some milk because we all need strength for our journey with God.

We add an egg, symbol of new life, and look forward to new possibilities.

We mix it all together, using up the ingredients of the past to give us the energy to move on towards the future, as we journey together through Lent to Easter.

*God, may this food we share give us strength to survive in the tough times:*

*may we walk on into Lent ready to face whatever comes our way.*

*God, may we never forget all those in the world who are hungry*

*God, give us hunger for justice – and for more of your good stuff!*

*God, as we eat these pancakes, help us to remember that it's the mix and variety that makes life really interesting – different people, different experiences, different views.*

*So, help us to choose our pancake toppings with a spirit of adventure, experimentation and fun.*



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On Tuesday great fun was had with children having a go at flipping pancakes and then choosing a yummy topping to taste them!







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HAPPY  
PANCAKE  
DAY







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Year 5/6 decided to hold pancake races to celebrate Shrove Tuesday. They also tossed pancakes, decorated them and then enjoyed eating them! Very yummy!







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Happy  
Pancake  
Day!  
4th March  
Year 6





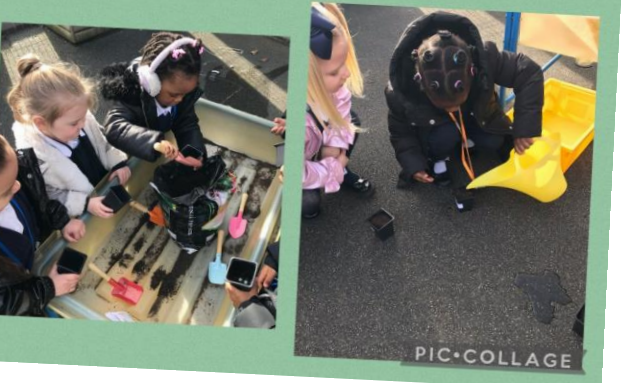


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This week the children in **Reception** and **Reception/Year 1** enjoyed reading a non-fiction book about sunflowers. They talked about the different parts of a flower and learnt what to do to take care of plants and flowers. The children were very excited to follow instructions to plant their own sunflower seeds and remembered to place them in sunlight and water them each day. They can't wait to see their sunflowers grow!



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Year 3 and the Laudato Si Eco-Ambassadors planted a mixture of trees that were donated by the Woodland Trust. The children learnt about the important role trees play in our world such as cleaning the air and providing food and shelter for animals. In order for the UK to reach its 2050 carbon net-zero target, millions of trees need to be planted. The Laudato Si Eco-Ambassadors have helped bring us a step closer to this important goal by planting trees on the field. We look forward to watching the trees grow over the coming years.



**We are guardians of God's creation, living sustainably and enhancing the wellbeing of our planet.**







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This week Year 5/6 and Year 6 had a visit from Leeds Rhinos who are working with East Leeds Rugby to try to engage more children in the sport. If anyone would like more information about getting involved, please call school.



The children thoroughly enjoyed the session and learnt aspects of dodging and weaving and working together as a team to defend... There are definitely some future Headingley stars in the making!

Leeds Rhinos  
PE session  
Year 5/6  
3rd March 25







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## Attendance

**EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!**  
**Our attendance target is 97%**  
 Every pupil, on time, every day.

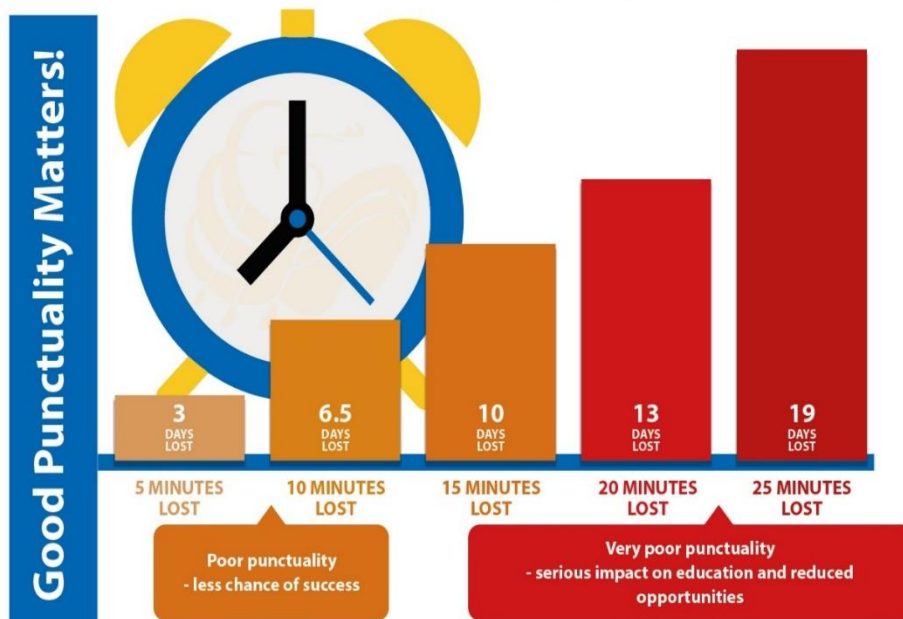
**GOOD ATTENDANCE FOR SUCCESS**  
**Every Minute in School Counts**

### Attendance (3rd -7th March 2025)

Our school target this year is <b>97%</b> . 	Class	This week	Since 3.9.2024		This week	Since 3.9.2024
	Reception 1	99.4%	96.7%	Year 3	100%	97%
	Reception/Year 1	100%	96.2%	Year 4	99.4%	95.9%
	Year 1	99%	95.9%	Year 4/5	97.7%	95%
	Year 2	95.9%	95.1%	Year 5/6	96.4%	96.7%
	Year 2/3	100%	96.1%	Year 6	100%	98.1%
	This week's whole school attendance					98.7%

**Fantastic attendance this week – well done to everyone who has been in school each day!**

Good time keeping at Corpus Christi Primary means being in school...ON TIME...And ready to learn. Gates open at 8.40am and close at 8.55am!



**Please make punctuality a priority!**

**DID YOU KNOW?**

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



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Government and NHS advice  
on when to keep your child off school



## Should I keep my child off school?



### Yes

#### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

### No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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#### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfoc>.





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Corpus Christi Primary will be walking in the Parade and it would be wonderful if anyone could join in and walk with us - all welcome to join in this fun day!

## Leeds St. Patrick's Day Parade

Sunday 16th March 2025

LIVE MUSIC | DANCE | FLOATS | STALLS

Featuring

**TOMMY K THE DJ • LUKE FLEAR • SEAN HARRINGTON  
LEEDS IRISH CHOIR • LEEDS CCE  
AND MANY MORE**

Parade procession to leave Great George Street and entertainment to start in Millennium Square at 11am

Visit us at [f Leeds St Patricks Parade](#) [@leedsstpatricksdays](#)



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Just a gentle reminder to let us know if you change your mobile number, move house, want to change a meal choice or anything else you feel we should know. Please get in touch – 0113 248 3095

We must have 2 phone contacts at all times. in case  
Thank you

## Medical and dental appointments

Please book **routine medical and dental appointments** out of school hours or during school holidays in order not to disrupt your child's education.

Where this is unavoidable, please send a copy or photo of the appointment to the school office via email [admin@corpusprimaryleeds.org](mailto:admin@corpusprimaryleeds.org) at least three days before the appointment date.

We must have proof of your child's appointment to cover the absence. Alternatively, you must call into the school office at least three days before the appointment date and give in the information required.

In the email please also include the time you will need to collect your child.

On the day before the appointment, please send a Class Dojo or Tapestry message to your child's class teacher with the time your child is to be collected so that the teacher knows what time to send them to the school office.

If arrangements change or the collection delayed, please contact the school office so that your child can remain in class.

Thank you for your cooperation with this.





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SAT 22ND MARCH - 5:30PM KICK OFF - AMT HEADINGLEY STADIUM

## EXPERIENCE A RUGBY LEAGUE GAME DAY LIKE NO OTHER!

Ticket Type (AMT East Stand)	Adult	Junior (5-16)*
Standing	£12	£6
Seating	£16	£10

Book standing tickets via **SCHOOL MONEY**  
by 10am on Tuesday 18th March 2025

Prefer Seats? Book direct at [tickets.therhinos.co.uk](https://tickets.therhinos.co.uk)  
and use promo code **25LR024** to discount basket by 50%.  
Promo code expires at midnight on Friday 21st March 2025

\* Juniors under 5 are free on standing/ terrace areas. No ticket required.



SCAN FOR THE RHINOS  
MATCHDAY EXPERIENCE



### **Leeds Rhinos Family Ticket Offer**

As part of our partnership, and as a reward for all the great work that the children have been doing this year, Leeds Rhinos would like to offer children and their families an amazing opportunity to attend a match at AMT Headingley Stadium (LS6 3BR) at a special discounted school's rate.

**Date** – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2025

**Kick off** - 5:30pm

**Opposition** – Wigan Warriors

Standing tickets can be booked now through the school via **School Money** and are priced as follows. Please note that tickets will go off sale at **10am on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025**.

	<b>AMT East Standing/Terrace (undercover)</b>
<b>Adults (including Senior Citizens)</b>	£12
<b>Juniors (aged 5 - 16)</b>	£6
Children under 5 do not need a ticket in standing areas.	

Tickets will be distributed to the school and will be available for collection from (*INSERT COLLECTION POINT HERE*) by 2pm on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at the latest.

#### **If you would like to purchase seated tickets:-**

- 1) Head to [tickets.therhinos.co.uk](https://tickets.therhinos.co.uk)
- 2) Enter promo code **25LR024** into the promotional code box at the top of the page and click ok. This will give you access to tickets with 50% off.
- 3) You will be taken to the Exclusive Ticket Offer page, click 'BUY'
- 4) Select your chosen match. For the match that your promotional code is valid for you will see a blue 'Special offer' icon.
- 5) Select your tickets from the **AMT East Stand** – here you can choose your seat as well as the types of ticket you would like (e.g. adults, juniors, etc)
- 6) Once your tickets are selected, click 'ADD TO BASKET'
- 7) Double check your order. If it's correct click 'BUY NOW'
- 8) Log into your Leeds Rhinos Account, if you haven't purchased through Leeds Rhinos before you can create a new account.
- 9) Complete your order.

Codes are valid until midnight on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2025. For assistance call 0371 423 1315 (**Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm**) or email [tickets@therhinos.co.uk](mailto:tickets@therhinos.co.uk).

Schools that sell 50 or more tickets will receive a signed Leeds Rhinos ball and schools who sell 80 or more tickets will get a signed Leeds Rhinos shirt.

We look forward to welcoming you to AMT Headingley Stadium for what will be an unforgettable evening!



Ian Wilson

**Schools & Engagement Lead**





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## **Surprise Visitor**

A past pupil travelled all the way from Arizona, USA to see us this week. Molly visited with her husband and sister and we were thrilled to see her!

**Thank you for your continued support.**

Have a lovely weekend

and

best wishes for the week ahead!

From Mrs Walsh

and the team at

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School