



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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2024-2025 Newsletter 27 (31st March – 4th April 2025)

Catholic Life and Mission



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 – Forgiveness

Forgiveness

In whole school Collective Worship this week we listened to the Parable of the Prodigal Son.

This wonderful gospel story has a message for each and every one of us. The arms of God are open wide to forgive us. He calls each of us, despite our mistakes, to return to and receive his loving embrace. God the Father loves us.



Signs we are living the virtue of Forgiveness

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

Important events for your diary

Monday 7th -Friday 11th April

Holy week events in school for pupils

Thursday 10th April am-Easter Bonnet and Easter Garden parade

2.15pm- Year 4
Easter Production
All welcome

Friday 11th April
9.30am- End of term
Mass
All welcome

Friday 11th April
1pm-School Closes

Tuesday 22nd April
School gates open
8.40am

Friday 9th May
Remembering VE
Day

**Monday 12th-
Thursday 15th May**
KS2 SATs



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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 un their everyday lives.

The Parable of the Prodigal Son tells us that God is always ready to forgive and welcome back anyone who is willing to ask for forgiveness, no matter what mistakes they have made.



In the week ahead,
let us have the
strength and
courage to say
sorry and to
forgive others for
their mistakes.



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Class	Recipient	Our focus 'Virtue to Live By' is Forgiveness 
Reception	Anaiah	
Reception/Year 1	Ayanda	
Year 1	Evie	
Year 2	John	
Year 2/3	Archibold	
Year 3	Luca	
Year 4	Keith	
Year 4/5	Liam	
Year 5/6	Jenson	
Year 6	Joseph	

Forgiveness means

letting go of anger toward someone who hurt you and to think, feel, or act with kindness toward that person.

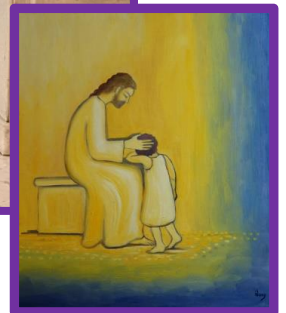
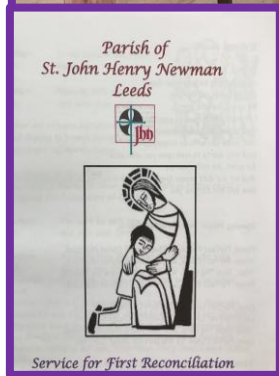
Forgiveness is not being weak—it takes strength and courage to forgive.





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As part of their sacramental journey, pupils celebrated their first Sacrament of Reconciliation in Corpus Christi Church on Wednesday evening. Canon Pat led the children in a beautiful Reconciliation Service. The children listened to the story of Zacchaeus, followed by a simple examination of conscience before making their first confession with either Canon Pat, Father Benjamin or Father Rino.

Congratulations to everyone!

Quote from Fr Rino - Reconciliation is about three things...
-**Commitment** to attending the Sacrament of Reconciliation
Confession- saying sorry
Celebration- celebrating forgiveness and having a fresh start.

Oh my God,
Because You are so good,
I am very sorry that I have sinned
against you,
And by the help of Your Grace,
I will not sin again.





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For their Lenten fundraising activity, Year 5/6 and Year 6 sold snap bracelets which had religious messages. They also sold some popping candy. Thank you to everyone who bought them.





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This week in Religious Education **Reception** and **Year One** pupils have been thinking about Holy Week and have created prayer gardens and Easter gardens for us to enjoy.



Planting in our Prayer Garden.



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In **Year 2/3**, the children shared wonderful stories about their Eid celebrations. Rohaan kindly brought in his special clothes and photos to show the class, giving everyone a glimpse into his family's traditions. We also admired Shyra's beautiful henna. It was a lovely way for the children to celebrate and learn about each other's cultural traditions!



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Our Wondewrful Starss of the Week (31st March – 4th April 2025)

Class	Star of the week	Reason for the award
Reception Miss Horkan	Victoria	For completing lovely sketches during our spring walk.
Reception/Year 1 Miss Kirk	Elsie	For playing snakes and ladders cooperatively and being supportive towards her friends.
Year 1 Miss Laxton	Emmie	For working with amazing focus during our writing sessions.
	Ava	For working with persistence to improve her handwriting.
Year 2 Mrs Child	Jasmine	Jasmine for her thoughtful reflections in RE and how she can follow in Jesus' footsteps.
	Grace	For her kind, caring nature for people who are less fortunate than us and sharing how she can help.
Year 2/3 Miss Currie	Rohaam	For providing the class with a fantastic insight into his families Eid celebrations.
	Shyra	For always being a kind and caring friend, to all members of the class.
Year 3 Mrs Hossack	Alana	For being an excellent role model in Year 3. Alana is always kind, polite and hardworking.
	Oye	For showing excellent knowledge and understanding in RE lessons.
Year 4 Mr Goodall	Mariama	For showing quick thinking and teamwork whilst representing our school.
	Isobelle	For showing persistence and determination when finding something difficult.
Year 4/5 Miss McBride	Alfie	For a fantastic attitude to learning this week and great contributions to class discussions – keep it up Alfie!
	Lexi	For working hard and beginning to recall more times table facts! Well done!
Year 5/6 Miss Guy	Sonny	For trying his best in his writing lessons.
	Shaylan	For working hard in all his lessons.
Year 6 Mr Doyle	Amy	For giving her all in every subject and always doing so with a smile.
	Archie	For an excellent attitude to his learning and lovely manners to his peers.



This week these star pupils have made us so proud.

Well done everyone!





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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

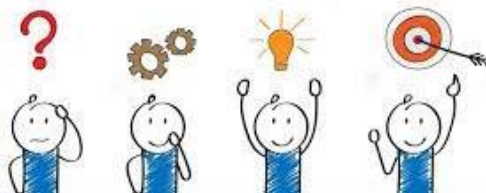


Careers and opportunities

Skills Builder Award (31st March – 4th April 2025)

Class	Recipient	<p>Our focus Skills Builder skill is.... Problem Solving <i>The ability to find a solution to a situation or challenge</i></p>  <p>This skill focuses on how to solve problems, recognising that while part of Problem Solving is technical know-how and experience, there are also transferable tools that individuals can develop and use.</p> <p>The first steps focus on being able to follow instructions to complete tasks, seeking help and extra information if needed. The next stage focuses on being able to explore problems by creating and assessing different potential solutions. This includes more complex problems, without a simple technical solution.</p>
Reception (Miss Horkan)	Harley	
Reception/Year 1 (Miss Kirk)	Logan	
Year 1 (Miss Laxton)	Jamal	
Year 2 (Mrs Child)	Michael	
Year 2/3 (Miss Currie)	Adomas	
Year 3 (Mrs Hossack)	Edward	
Year 4 (Mr Goodall)	Oskar	
Year 4/5 (Miss McBride)	Isabella	
Year 5/6 (Miss Guy)	Joe	
Year 6 (Mr Doyle)	Saffiya	

These children have all displayed amazing **problem solving** skills this week.





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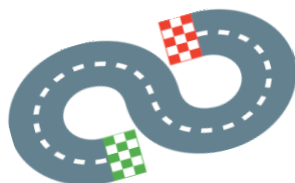
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Reception and **Reception/Year 1** went on a Spring Walk this week. They noticed signs of spring as they explored outside - leaves are now starting to grow, bees are flying around and the birds are singing. The children loved visiting the daffodils and remembered planting the flower bulbs earlier this year. They sat together and sketched the wonderful nature in God's world.



Children from **Reception** and **Reception/Year 1** have really enjoyed outdoor play activities this week. They have buried and found toys in the sand, followed a race track with cars, built and used a train track and played with the foam. It has been lovely to see them playing alongside each other and sharing all of the toys.



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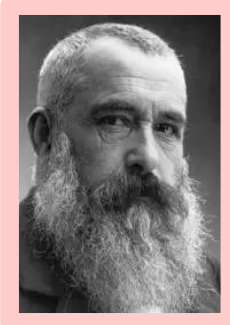


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In Art this half term, **Year 2** have been exploring the artwork of Claude Monet. This week the children had a wonderful art session with Mrs Robinson researching Monet's work discussing what they liked and did not like as well as what style of art Monet is well-known for.

The children have practised making their own water colour paintings in the style of Monet and then completed their final piece of Monet's famous Bridge over a Pond of Water Lilies.





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On Thursday, **Year 4** visited Skelton Grange to complete a survival adventure workshop aimed at developing teamwork whilst learning important life skills. The children and staff had a fantastic day and it was great to see the children working so well together out of their comfort zones.





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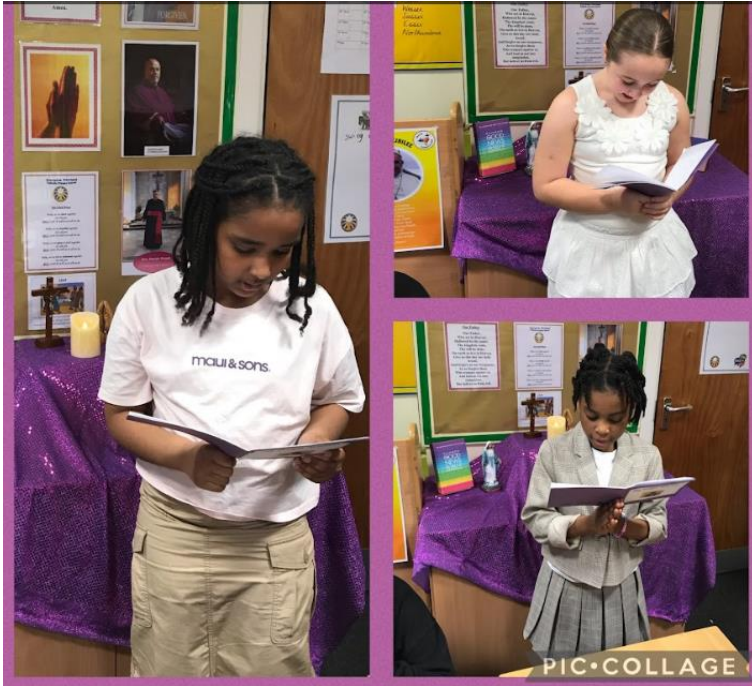


They completed a range of tasks including den building, scavenging and even fire making. Their fantastic behaviour made it a great day out and they really represented the school well. Every member of staff from Skelton Grange had positive words to say about the group's behaviour and enthusiasm whilst there. Well done Year 4!



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As part of our Catholic Social Teaching, Year 4/5 have looked on the principle of Solidarity. After learning about the major earthquake in Myanmar, the children wanted to create their own prayers asking God to help and support those in need at this difficult time. The children wrote these in their prayer journal and then shared these special prayers as part of our class worship

Solidarity
Showing we care

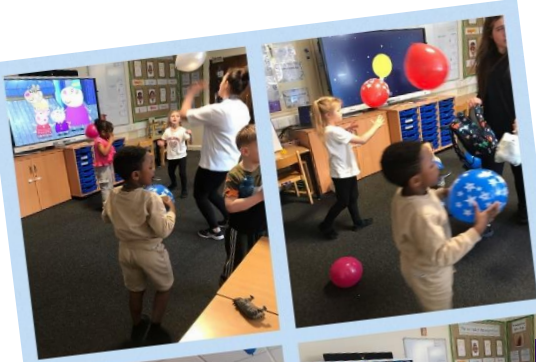




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Reception and Reception/Year 1 enjoying dancing at the disco.



DISCO



A big thank you to the School Council and all the staff who helped to organise the Easter Disco. It was a huge success, the children were amazing dancers and had a fabulous time!

The School Council collectively chose to use the money raised to donate to the charity Toilet Twinning, providing people with the correct sanitation and safe drinking water and also to support the diocesan Good Shepherd Appeal.

TOILET TWINNING

Your toilet can help transform lives around the world!

You can probably drink a glass of water, wash your hands or go to the toilet without it turning into a life-or-death situation. Yet dirty drinking water, **unhealthy hygiene and unsafe sanitation cause the deaths of 1.4 million people every year and over 1000 children under the age of 5 every day**, pay for medicines or food and fall into debt.

Toilet Twinning funds hygiene education via community-led workshops and sourcing local materials for families and communities to build their own toilets.





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Year 2 staff were so proud of Jesse for winning one of the dance competitions! Well done Jesse!



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Attendance

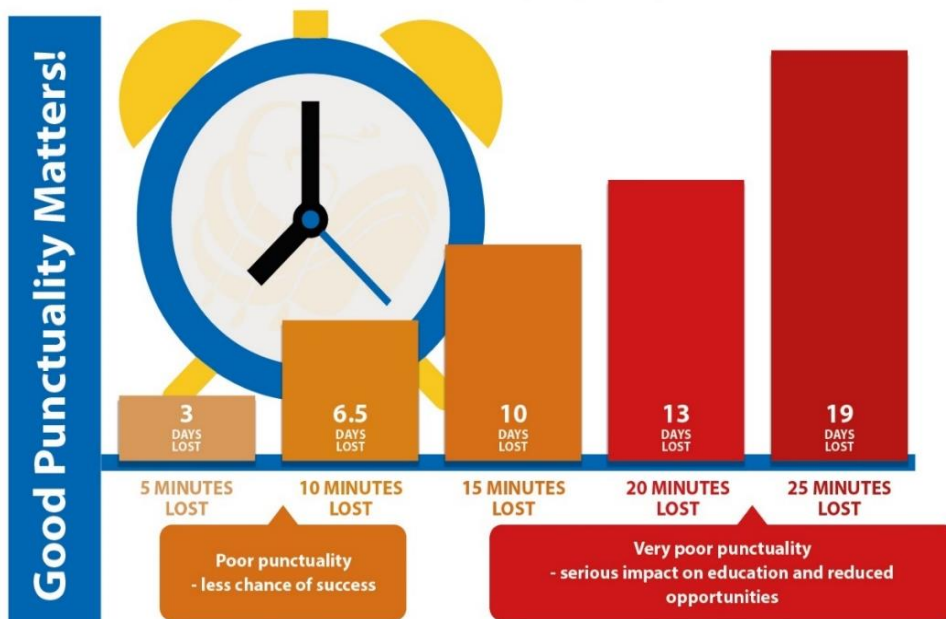
EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!
Our attendance target is 97%
 Every pupil, on time, every day.

GOOD ATTENDANCE FOR SUCCESS
Every Minute in School Counts

Attendance (31st March – 4th April 2025)

Our school target this year is 97%	Class	This week	Since 3.9.2024		This week	Since 3.9.2024	
		Reception 1	95.5%	96.7%	Year 3	97.8%	97.2%
Reception/Yr 1		96.7%	96.2%	Year 4	96.4%	96%	
Year 1		96.3%	96.4%	Year 4/5	98.2%	95.4%	
Year 2		99.6%	95.6%	Year 5/6	95.6%	96.6%	
Year 2/3		94%	96.2%	Year 6	98.5%	98.2%	
This week's whole school attendance					96.9%		

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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On Monday, some of our Year 2s were selected to play in a tournament at Fives against other schools in Leeds. This was the second time they have played together and the improvement was clear to see. They won one, drew one and lost two but played brilliantly with every game being competitive. Joel managed to score 6 goals whilst Eli and Giovanni both scored 1 each. Thank you to all the parents who came to support and helped with transport. Well done everyone!



Easter Egg Raffle
4 prizes per class - each
class to draw their own
tickets

Tickets 50p on sale
now



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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.

Most routine medical appointments are relatively short so your child should be in school before and/or after their appointment where possible. A whole day off is rarely needed.

We must have proof of your child's appointment to cover the absence from school.

Where it is unavoidable to book out of school hours, please send a copy or a photo of the appointment to the school office via email admin@corpusprimaryleeds.org at least three days before the appointment date.

Alternatively, you must call into the school at least three days before the appointment date and give in or show text information to school staff of the appointment.

Please also inform school 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 is delayed, please contact the school office so that your child can remain in class and not lose valuable learning time.

Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Opportunity to join Leeds Cathedral Boys Choir

The **Cathedral Senior Boys Choir** has a limited number of places available from the summer term for boys in **Y5 and Y6**. It's an amazing free musical opportunity and a wonderful way to contribute to the life of the Church.

The choir rehearses and sings for Mass at the cathedral every Monday and Wednesday (4.30-6pm) and every other Sunday morning during term time. Free singing lessons are available as well as the opportunity to have piano and accordion lessons.

To find out more and to arrange an informal audition at the cathedral, please contact Tom Leech (Director of the Schools Singing Programme) at office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk / 0113 244 8634





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Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine!

Best wishes for the week ahead.

God bless
from Mrs Walsh
and the team at
Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School