



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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2024-2025 Newsletter 31 (6th – 9th May 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

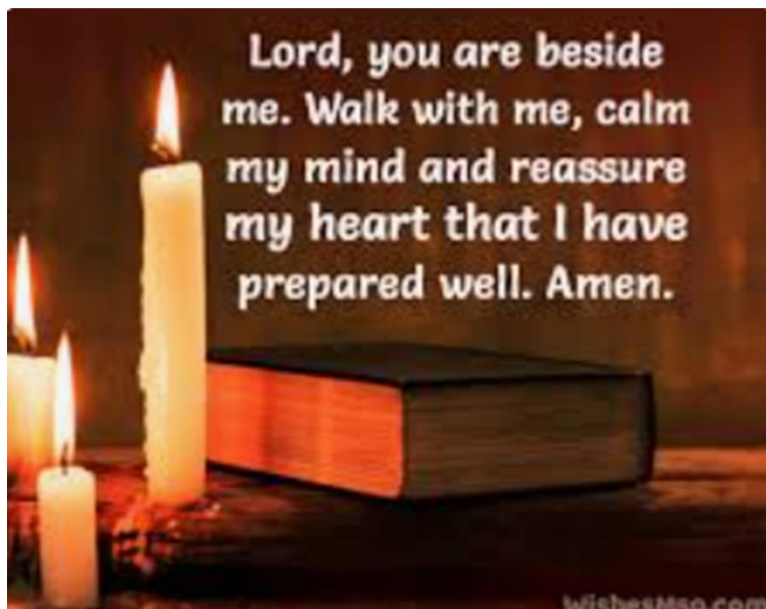
Our 'Virtues to Live By' for the Summer term are

- Perseverance and Resilience
- Kindness
- Honesty
- Service

As our children in Year 6 carry out the Statutory Assessment Tests next week, we continue to focus on the virtues of perseverance and resilience.

Signs we are showing perseverance and resilience

- We have faith and hope even when things are difficult.
- We trust that God will support us.
- We think positively and believe in ourselves.
- We do not give up.
- We keep going even when we find things difficult
- We know we are worthwhile whether we succeed or fail.



IMPORTANT DATES

Diary Dates

Monday 12th -
Thursday 15th
May

Year 6 SATs

Full attendance
Year 6 all week
please

Friday 23rd
May
**School
closes at
1pm**

Thursday 19th June
Feast of Corpus
Christi
Children to, wear
something red for
our school feast
day.

Sunday 22nd June
1pm
First Holy
Communion
Corpus Christi
church for the
children
attending the
after-school
classes.



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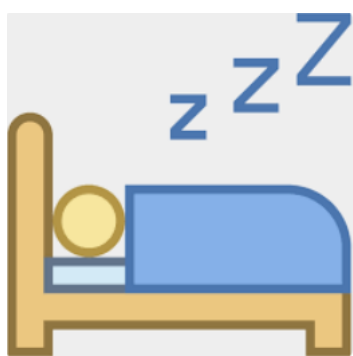
Year 6 SATs take place next week.

Next week is a very important week for our Year 6 pupils and we pray that God will grant each of our Year 6 pupils confidence in their abilities and the determination to persevere and try their best. All the children have all worked hard and deserve to shine next week in all their tests.

All Year 6 children are required to be in school every day. There will be a free breakfast club available for all our Year 6 children to attend from 8:00 am Tuesday-Friday in the school hall.

To the parents and carers

Thank you in advance to all our parents and carers for your support for your child in the week ahead time. The finish line is in sight so please ensure your child goes to sleep on time each evening and is in school on time for the Y6 SATs breakfast club for a smooth, calm start to each day.



To the children

We will pray for all the children and light a candle at Mass on Sunday. The most important thing to remember is to get a good night's sleep and have confidence in your own abilities. We know you will do your very best and we know you can all succeed!

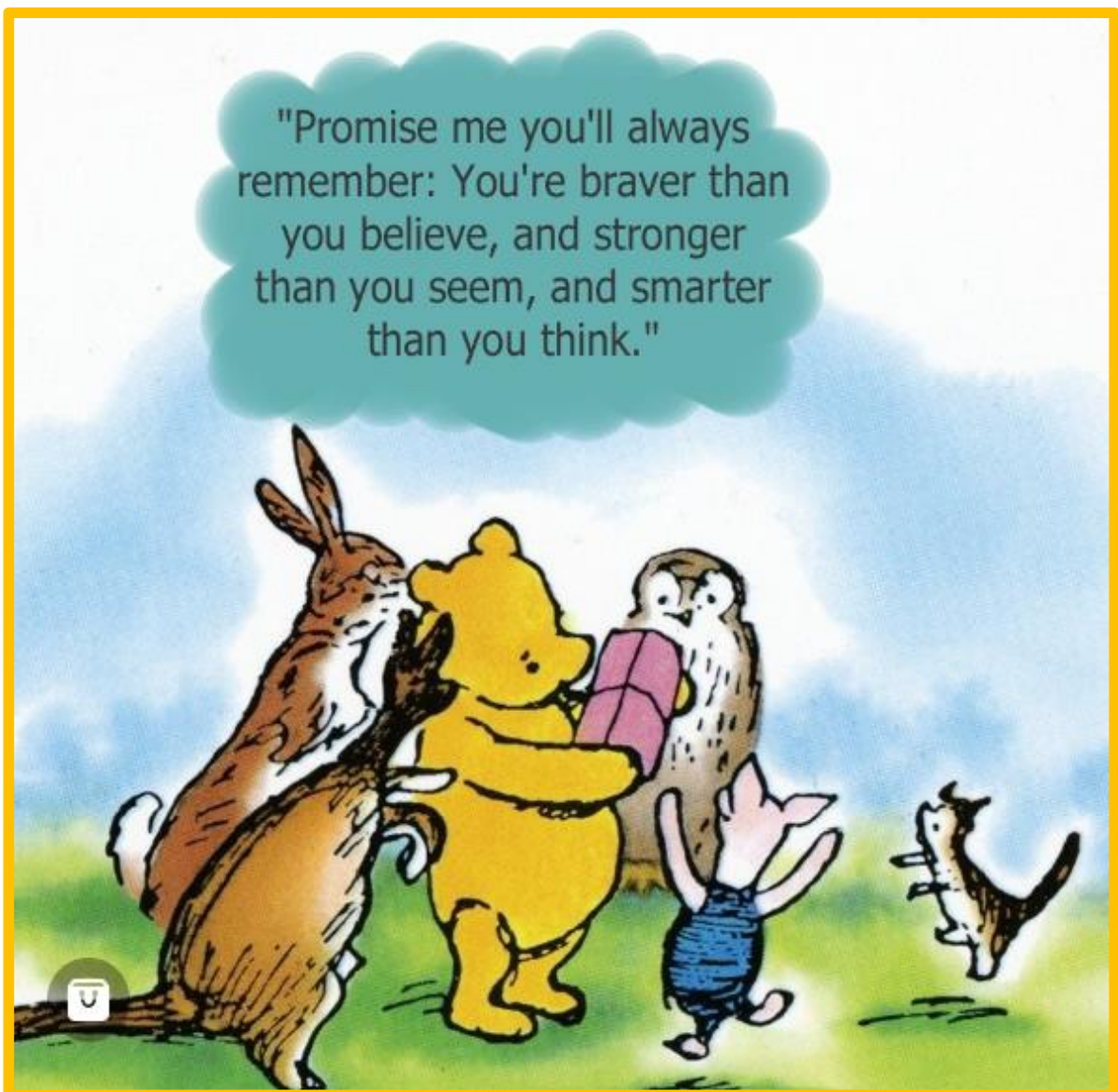




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Good luck to our Year 6
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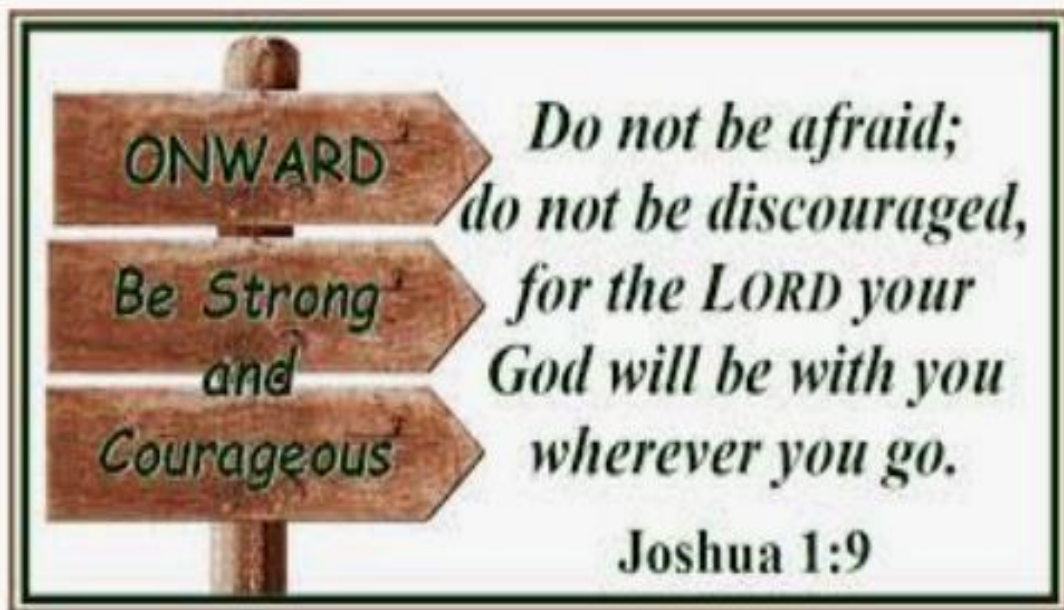
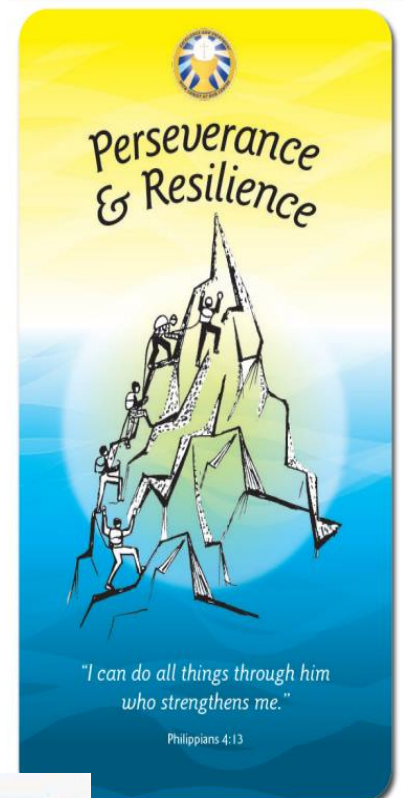
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Mission- our faith in action

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

In the week ahead let us show the virtues of perseverance and resilience by being strong and courageous.





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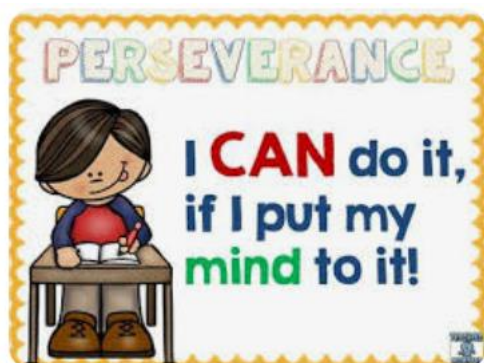
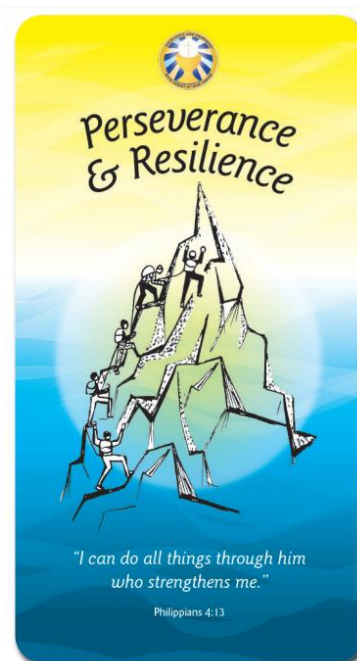


Virtues to Live By

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

(6th – 9th May 2025)

Class	Recipient	Our focus 'Virtue to Live By' is Perseverance and Resilience
Reception	Ikenna	
Reception/Year 1	Kayson	
Year 1	Sonni	
Year 2	Julen	
Year 2/3	Aisha	
Year 3	Mireya	
Year 4	Dwayne	
Year 4/5	Nancy	
Year 5/6	Alfie	
Year 6	George	



*Resilience is knowing that **you** are the only one that has the power and the responsibility to pick yourself up.*

Mary Holloway



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Thursday 8th May was a very important day for the Catholic Church!

Habemus Papam!



Yesterday Thursday 8th May, after just two days of voting in the conclave, white smoke appeared from the chimney above the Sistine Chapel and the bells were rung, signalling to the world that a new pope had been elected.

It was announced that Cardinal Robert Prevost had been elected as the **266th Successor of Saint Peter** to whom Jesus said, "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church."

(Matthew 16:18) and that he would be taking the name '**Pope Leo XIV**'.

With his first words as pope...

"Peace be with you all" he offered a message of unity, humility, and hope to Catholics and everyone around the world.



We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide him always.



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May is the month of Mary

May is a very special month in the Church. It is traditionally dedicated in a special way to honouring and seeking the intercession of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, Mother of the Church and Mother of us.

Mary is the mother of Jesus and our mother too, and like a good mum who prays for her children, Mary prays for us. She accompanies us in our prayers and is there to walk alongside and encourage us, always leading us to her Son Jesus. Like Mary, we can try to become better people, less focused on ourselves and more focused on others.

During lunch breaks, our School Council and Chaplaincy Team have led other pupils in a decade of the Rosary. This will continue throughout May.




Hail Mary,
FULL OF GRACE,
THE LORD IS WITH YOU.
BLESSED ARE YOU AMONG WOMEN,
AND BLESSED IS THE FRUIT
OF YOUR WOMB, JESUS.
HOLY MARY, MOTHER OF GOD,
PRAY FOR US SINNERS,
NOW AND AT THE HOUR
OF OUR DEATH.
AMEN.




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May: The Month of Mary

On Wednesday, the children in Year 2 participated in the crowning of Mary with the Franciscan Sisters of Renewal.





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Thursday 8th May
Celebrating 80 Years since VE Day



This Thursday 8th May we celebrated the 80th anniversary of VE Day – Victory in Europe Day. The children came to school in 1940s style clothes or the colours of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth as well as the Allied countries and the United States of America who all helped bring an end to the war in Europe.

We also recreated the street parties held eighty years ago by having a picnic style lunch outside.

We had a wonderful day celebrating and commemorating the bravery of all those who fought and lived through World War II!

Please see all our photos further on in the newsletter!





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Corpus Christi signed up for this experience for young people - **VE Mail** – which provided a unique opportunity for children and young people to learn first-hand about a shared story which connects the past, present and future, to hear it with their own ears, and witness it with their own eyes.

In 1945, people across the UK and beyond shared their stories of the war, leading up to the first VE Day, by writing to friends, family and loved ones. These letters act as a lasting legacy of their experiences.

We signed up to receive a letter from a Second World War Veteran; the one we received was from Sergeant Muhammed Hussain. Our children have written back to Sergeant Hussain to say thank you and explain what VE Day means to them now.

This is a quote from Sergeant Hussain's letter to Corpus Christi Primary School

"Remember us—not with sorrow,
but with pride. You are the next
generation of peacemakers."

Sergeant Muhammed Hussain



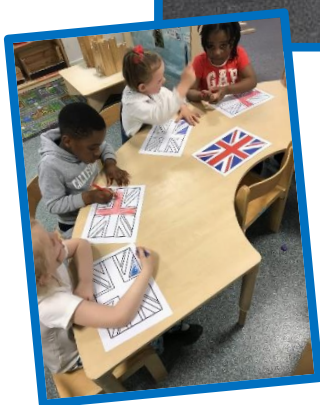


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In **Reception and Reception/Y1** the children had a wonderful day celebrating VE day. The children learnt about VE day and why we celebrate it and they even learnt a song called Daisy, Daisy. After that all the children decorated their own Union Jack flag and at lunch time they enjoyed their lunch together outside. In the afternoon they had a Teddy Bear's picnic with their favourite cuddly toy from home and a delicious cupcake. They waved their flags and sung songs together. Everyone had a lovely day celebrating such a special day.





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Reception and Year 1 enjoying their picnic



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The children in **Year 2** completed activities relating to VE Day. They listening to stories from a veteran and then wrote a message to Sergeant Hussain after reading his heartfelt message to remember the fallen with pride not sadness.



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VE DAY CELEBRATION PICNIC 



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Great excitement in **Year 3** enjoying the eightieth anniversary of VE day!





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Year 4 having their day of fun filled VE celebrations



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Year 4/5 had a fantastic time celebrating the 80th Anniversary of VE Day. The children enjoyed learning all about the significance of the day and took part in their very own street party picnic.



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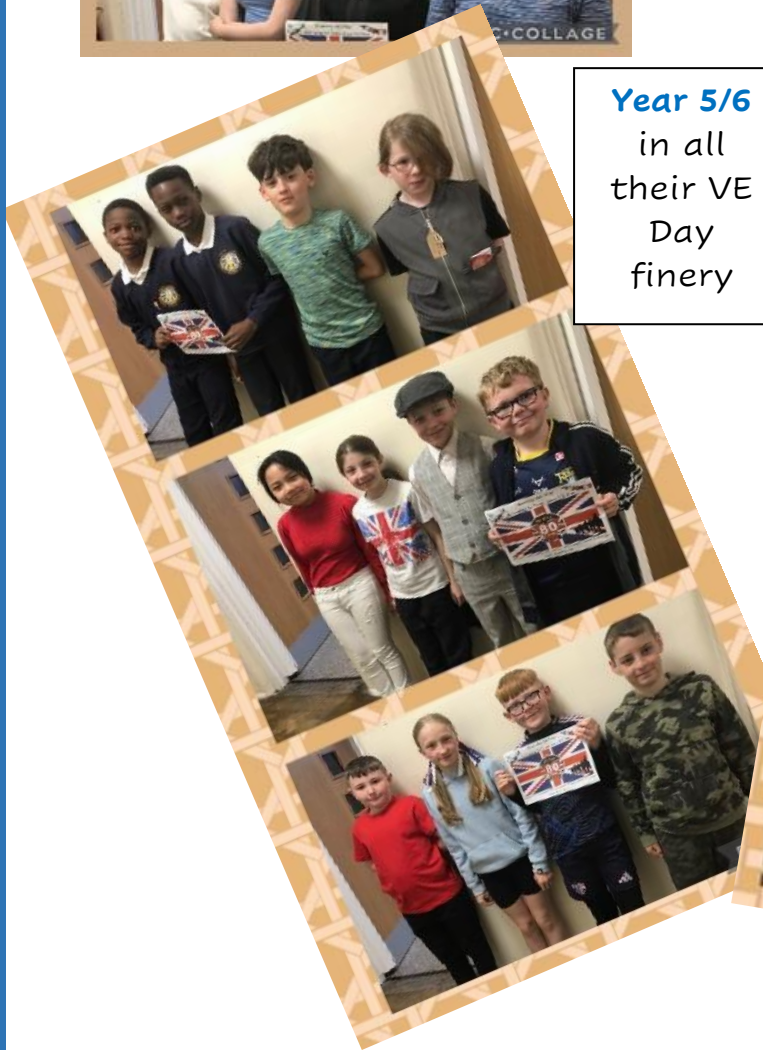
80TH ANNIVERSARY

A SHARED MOMENT OF CELEBRATION

8 MAY 2025

Year 5/6

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VE Day celebrations for **Years 5/6** and **Year 6**

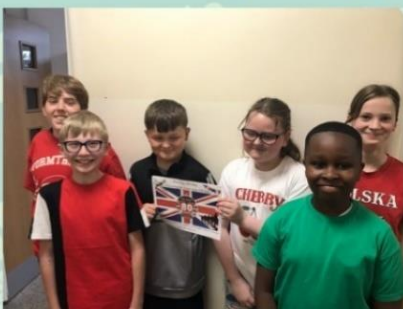




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VE Day Celebrations



80th Anniversary

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Our Wondewrful Starss of the Week (6th – 9th May 2025)

Class	Star of the week	Reason for the award
Reception Miss Horkan	Marniemae	For always having a positive attitude towards learning.
Reception/Year 1 Miss Kirk	Selena	For her excellent work in phonics.
Year 1 Miss Laxton	Lois	For always being ready and eager to learn, share ideas and listen to others.
	Isaac C	For always being ready and eager to learn, share ideas and listen to others.
Year 2 Mrs Child	Lilly	For being respectful and thoughtful when helping deliver Collective Worship.
	Isla	For working more independently in maths and writing.
Year 2/3 Miss Currie	Ivy	For remaining focused in lessons.
	Tommy-Lee	For gaining confidence in class discussions and sharing his ideas.
Year 3 Mrs Hossack	Atarah	For being a wonderful role model and growing in confidence to answer questions in class discussions.
	Edward	For being an excellent role model and growing in confidence in writing.
Year 4 Mr Goodall	Maya	For always being a positive role model in class and around school.
	Lucas	For a fantastic attitude to learning across the curriculum this week.
Year 4/5 Miss McBride	Aeron	For working hard this week and creating some lovely RE work. Well done!
	Chidebube	For a working hard in Maths this week when problem solving with decimal numbers. Well done.
Year 5/6 Miss Guy	Oscar	For trying his best in his writing.
	Kayden	For being focused in all his learning.
Year 6 Mr Doyle	Lucie	For being a role model to all and her attitude to work in all aspects of her school life.
	Yaelle	For making improvements with her maths work by taking on board advice and annotating her work.



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 (6th – 9th May 2025)

Class	Recipient	<p>Our focus Skills Builder skill is....Teamwork!</p>  <p>This skill applies to working within both formal and informal teams.</p> <p>Initially, this is about individuals fulfilling expectations around being positive, behaving appropriately, reliable and taking responsibility. This extends to understanding and respecting diversity of others' cultures, beliefs and backgrounds.</p> <p>The next steps focus on making a contribution to a team through group decision making recognising the value of others' ideas and encourage others to contribute too.</p>
Reception (Miss Horkan)	Olivier	
Reception/Year 1 (Miss Kirk)	Isabella	
Year 1 (Miss Laxton)	Arna	
Year 2 (Mrs Child)	John	
Year 2/3 (Miss Currie)	Connie	
Year 3 (Mrs Hossack)	Jeshua	
Year 4 (Mr Goodall)	Ella	
Year 4/5 (Miss McBride)	Louie	
Year 5/6 (Miss Guy)	Tanatswa	
Year 6 (Mr Doyle)	Rihanna	

These children have all displayed amazing **Teamwork** skills this week.





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On Tuesday, the children in **Year 2** had a special visitor to talk to them about our new history topic Stone Age to Iron Age. Our visitor, Jess brought lots of activities for the children to complete ranging from hunting woolly mammoths in the Paleolithic period to making new inventions in the Mesolithic. Finally using a flint and steel to make fire in the Neolithic era.

PALAEOLITHIC ACTIVITIES



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Iron Age to Stone Age



NEOLITHIC ACTIVITIES

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Then the children teamed up with Year 2/3 and Year 3 to make 'Schoolhenge'. They also hunted Mrs Ball who became a woolly mammoth for the afternoon!!!



MESOLITHIC ACTIVITIES

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This week, **Year 2**, **Year 2/3**, and **Year 3** had the fantastic opportunity to take part in a hands-on Stone Age workshop led by *The Past Presents*. The children explored how life changed during the Stone Age, from hunter-gatherers to early farmers, and got a real sense of what daily life was like in prehistoric times.



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Pupils engaged in a wide range of interactive activities, including handling genuine and replica artefacts, dressing up in Stone Age clothing, weaving, spear-making, and even practising their aim with target games! It was a brilliant, immersive experience that truly brought history to life and offered a valuable and memorable learning opportunity for all.



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This week, **Year 4/5** enjoyed their cooking session where they baked banana and carrot cake. The class learnt all about the benefits of home cooking and how we can use alternative ingredients to make healthier choices. In the cakes we baked, we used bananas as an alternative to butter and carrot to use less sugar. The children did a fantastic job and loved eating their creations.



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Attendance



Attendance (6th – 9th May 2025)

Our school target this year is 97%. 	Class	This week	Since 3.9.2024		This week	Since 3.9.2024
	Reception	100%	97%	Year 3	100%	97.3%
	Reception/Yr 1	88.2%	96.2%	Year 4	96.8%	96%
	Year 1	93.3%	96%	Year 4/5	90%	95.4%
	Year 2	96.6%	95.8%	Year 5/6	92.9%	96.2%
	Year 2/3	100%	96.8%	Year 6	100%	98.1%
	This week's whole school attendance				95.7%	



This week's attendance is **95.7%** which is disappointingly **below** our school target.

However, well done to all the children who have been in school each day this week!



We must congratulate the four classes with **100% attendance** this week-

Year 6 (Mr Doyle), Year 3 (Mrs Hossack),

Year 2/3 (Mrs Child) and Reception (Miss Horkan)

What a fabulous achievement and wonderful example to the rest of school!



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Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend in the beautiful sunshine
and best wishes for the week ahead!

God bless

From Mrs Walsh

and the team at

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

A healthy dose of
confidence
and determination
can turn any dream
into a reality.

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