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2024-2025 Newsletter 5 (30th September- 4th October 2024)

Catholic Life and Mission

Today 4th October is the Feast Day of St Francis of Assisi. St Francis saw God everywhere in the world around him. He constantly gave glory and thanks to God.

St Francis of Assisi is a faith hero because he put his faith into action. He did this by giving to others.



Let us follow his example, giving to others and putting our faith into action.

St Francis of Assisi wrote this prayer.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace!
Where there is hatred let me sow love.
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy.

Saint Francis of Assisi

Faith Heroes
Give to others



IMPORTANT DATES

Dates for your diary

Thursday 10th October

Year 4 class led Whole School Collective Worship

Classes Year 5/6 and Year 6 enhancement trip to Eden Camp

Wednesday 16th October

5.30pm Confirmation information session for parents/carers of Year 6 pupils in Corpus Christi Catholic Church

Friday 18th October

2pm Harvest Service in Corpus Christi Catholic Church

All parents and carers welcome

Wednesday 23rd October

<u>3.45-6.15pm</u> Parent Consultations

Thursday 24th October

4.00-6.50pm Parent Consultations

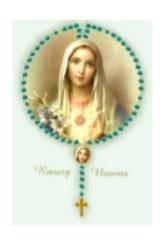
Friday 25th October

3:15pm School closes for half-term

Monday 4th November 8:40am School reopens

Wednesday 20th November
Flu immunisations





The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (7th October). The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary. During the month of October, the children will take part in The Rosary Challenge by praying a decade of The Rosary in class.

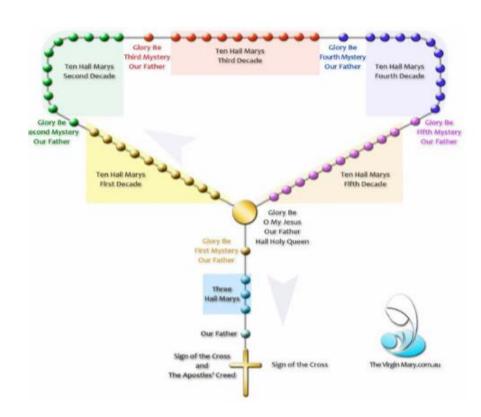
How to pray The Rosary

A decade of the Holy Rosary is:

1 x Our Father

10 x Hail Mary

1 x Glory Be



We can also do this at home.

The Mark 10 Mission travelled to Lourdes in France and filmed wonderful new videos to help children pray the Rosary. There are Celebrations of the Word to begin the Challenge and videos for each decade of the Rosary. Click on a video each day and pray the Rosary with us in Lourdes.

https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/rosary-challenge



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Mission-

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

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. In school we will be taking on The Rosary Challenge by praying a decade of the Holy Rosary every weekday in October.

During each decade we will mediate on a mystery of the Rosary remembering special moments in the life of Jesus and Mary.





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

On Friday, the whole school attended Mass, the first one for the new academic year. Our school Chaplaincy Team and Year 6 prepared and led the Welcome Mass asking God for His blessing at the start of the school year through readings, hymns and prayers. Our new children in Reception and across school as well as new staff were welcomed into the Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School family. The Mass reminded us that everyone is back in school to learn together, to play together and to sing, pray and worship and sing with each other.



In His homily, Canon Pat shared with us that God's love inspired the heart of the Prophet Job, his disciples and St Francis to lead a life that was good and caring to everyone. Canon Pat inspired us all to let the light of love shine from our hearts to brighten the lives of others every day.





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At the end of the Welcome Mass, Canon Pat was congratulated on becoming a Canon of the Leeds Cathedral Chapter. Also, as he would be celebrating a special birthday at the weekend, Canon Pat was presented with cards made by each class and some special gifts to mark these two special occasions. Then everyone sang 'Happy Birthday'.





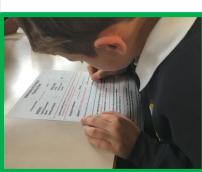




Canon Pat put the beautifully made congratulatory canon installation and 60th birthday cards on display at his celebration faith supper in the Newman Centre.

Members of our school Chaplaincy Team were invited to attend a meeting with the chaplaincy teams from other Catholic schools in Leeds about leading Collective Worship in school. They participated in various discussions and activities, listening carefully to different ideas and were inspired to try some of these back in school.









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We have different emotions

Reception and Reception/Year 1 listened to the story 'The Colour Monster'. They talked about all the feelings in the story and the different colours of the monster as his emotions changed. The children then painted their own monsters which are now displayed proudly in class.















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In Science this week, the children in **Year 1** learnt the names of the five senses and used actions to help them remember. Then they used their senses to feel and identify different fruits and vegetables. Finally, they used their sense of sight to classify them into different groups.



Once they had looked at the food carefully and classified them, they then used their sense of taste to try them. The children were amazing at placing the food on their tongue to see if they liked the taste.





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What an amazing bunch of curious, kind and creative children!

I loved being here.

Dom Conlon (Poet)

This week in **Year 2** the children had a visit from the author, Dom Conlon. He is a poet and has written many books including his new ones, **Swim Shark Swim** and **Fly Butterfly Fly**.

Dom brought one of his new books **Leap Hare Leap** to show the children. They enjoyed seeing how far they could leap like a hare and then he read Swim Shark Swim. The children were fascinated by the illustrations and had some interesting questions for Dom. They really enjoyed Dom's visit. Some children who bought one of his books even had it signed by Dom.















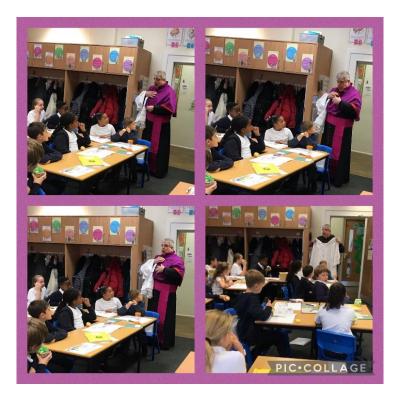








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Canon Pat joined Year 4/5 this week to tell the children all about his new role. The children were very interested to learn about the new jobs Canon Pat will be undertaking and were fascinated to learn about the significance behind the garments he wears as a canon. Year 4/5 enjoyed asking Canon Pat questions and learning all about the different clergy roles in the Catholic Church.



Year 4/5 enjoyed their session with Northern Ballet this week. The children learnt how to portray a character through dance and movement.





















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School was very fortunate to have Edgar, a visitor from The Academy of Northern Ballet, to work with pupils this week. He worked with children in Key Stage 2 who thoroughly enjoyed learning about the magical character Merlin and creating movement to music.





Year 6 enjoying Northern Ballet







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Year 4 enjoying Northern Ballet













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On Tuesday, **Year 4** worked with Classroom Kitchen to create a delicious slaw. The children revisited The Eatwell Guide and remembered which food groups make a balanced diet. The children then worked in groups to chop, grate and slice the different ingredients to create their tasty slaw.















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Our lunchtime Mindfulness club started this week. Pupils across Key Stage 1 and 2 were given the opportunity to relax, take part in mindfulness activities and listen to tranquil music. The club looks forward to welcoming more pupils over the next few weeks.











Attendance

Attendance (30 th September-4 th October 2024)						
Our school target this year is 97%. ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW ATTENDANCE WORKS	Class	This week	Since 3.9.2024		This week	Since 3.9.2024
	Reception 1	100%	99.3%	Year 3	97.3%	96.7%
	Reception/Year 1	100%	99%	Year 4	94.8%	95.4%
	Year 1	99.3%	97.7%	Year 4/5	98.3%	95%
	Year 2	92.6%	94.2%	Year 5	97.1%	96.4%
	Year 2/3	97.2%	97.9%	Year 6	96.7%	97.8%
	This week's whole school attendance 97.1%					

This week's attendance is 97.1% just above our target. A fantastic well done to all our Reception children with 100% attendance – brilliant!



97.% is a great improvement on last week, thank you everyone.

Please remember to make a concerted effort to ensure your child is in school and on time every day.





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Notices



We will be taking part in the shoe box appeal again this year. If you would like to fill a box, please have completed shoe boxes in school by the half term break.

Thank you to Molly in Year 4 who arrived this week with a wrapped and fully completed shoe box. Mrs Collins was overwhelmed by her generosity.

Here is a list of some of the items which can be included in a shoe box.

SHOE BOX APPEAL THANK YOU THANK YOU

CHECKLIST Please ✓ items included and firmly secure this list on your shoebox lid. IMPORTANT: PLEASE ONLY INCLUDE NEW ITEMS. TOOTHBRUSH TOY*/GIFT SWEETS & TOOTHPASTE small toy for children No chocolate, split such as cars, dolls balls etc. Please only include new other food items. No loose sweets, lollies UNDERWEAR SCARF, HAT, GLOVES SOCKS/TIGHTS Do not include used or damaged items; war related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; chocolate or any food other than sweets. Chocolate edairs and chocolate limes are not allowed; books that are mainly words should not be included. TOILETRIES (No talcum powder) **CLOTHES** and other items Shampoo or shower gel Face cloth/moist wipes Deodorant Moisturising cream Comb/brush Please tick the box next to Sanitary products shoebox for Shaving foam/razors MAN MISCELLANEOUS New make-up BOY (Teen) Sewing equipment BOY (8-12) Age Household candles BOY (3-7) Age Screwdrivers/pliers ELDERLY WOMAN Kitchen utensils STATIONERY Pens/pencils/sharpener GIRL (8-12) Age Notepads/colouring books GIRL (3-7) Age Rulers/rubbers





Family Fast Day

Next Friday, 11th October, we are joining Canon Pat and the parish in the **CAFOD Family Fast Day.**

This is a day when we try to think of others less fortunate than us, who have little or no food.

As a school we are asking the children and staff to go without a treat they would normally have, for example a biscuit, chocolate bar, crisps or an ice cream.

We will then ask the children to either bring in a packet of biscuits, which we will give to the parish food bank, or they can bring 50p which we will give to Canon Pat to send to CAFOD charity.

Thank you for your support and generosity.



Information for parents/carers regarding flu immunisations

School Aged Immunisation Service

0-19 Public Health Integrated Nursing Service Woodhouse Health Centre Cambridge Road, LEEDS LS6 2SF

Email: schoolimmsteam@nhs.net

Tel: 0113 84 33101

Dear parent/guardian,

It is time for your child's yearly flu vaccination! This is offered to school years reception up to and including year 11.

Please use the link and individual school code below to complete your consent/refusal form. Access to the link will close 1 week before the session. Your school will inform you of the date our service will attend.

https://www.leedsimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu

The code for your child's Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School is: EE108024

Why get your child vaccinated?

Flu can be a nasty illness and isn't just a bad cold. Giving your child the flu spray will protect them and will also help to keep more vulnerable friends and family members safe and well. The flu vaccination is quick, simple and free.

www.nhs.uk/child-flu has further information and tells you which children may need the flu injection instead of the nose spray.

Does the nasal spray contain porcine?

Yes, but it is a very purified version which is barely detectable. The vaccination is for medical purposes and has been deemed permissible for use by the British Fatwa Council.

Is there an alternative?

We do offer an injectable vaccine that **DOES NOT** contain porcine. This vaccine is only offered in high schools and SILC schools, primary aged children would need to attend one of our community clinics.

What if my child misses their vaccination in school?



Flu immunisation sessions will run in health centre(s), where available, for those primary school aged children requiring an injection or those in reception to year 11 who missed the session in school. We will send a text message to those who are eligible nearer the time, and we expect it to include the option to book an appointment directly onto our systems.

Please note, the flu vaccine is only offered by your GP if your child is in an at-risk group due to a health condition.

If your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, or has started steroid tablets for asthma after you submit your form, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Service to let us know.

If your child receives the vaccination elsewhere prior to the school session it is important that you let us know.

Please contact us on the above phone number or email address if you have any problems or questions, the team will be happy to help.

Yours faithfully

School Aged Immunisation Service

Thank you for your continued support.

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

God Bless
From Mrs Walsh
and the team at
Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School