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2024-2025 Newsletter 7 (14th -18th October 2024)

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

<u>Our 'Virtue to Live by' – Thankfulness</u>

Our 'Virtues to Live By' for the Autumn term are Respect and Courtesy, Thankfulness, Hope and Patience.

We continue to focus on the virtue of Thankfulness which describes the <u>feeling of</u> <u>being happy or grateful because of something</u>.



"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever." (Psalm 106:1)

- ✤ We can say thank you to God.
- We take time to appreciate the awe and wonder in God's creation.
- We show God we are thankful to Him by cherishing the gifts of His creation.
- We are thankful for all the gifts in us and around us.
- We count our blessings every day and remember to praise God for them.
- We know that all we have is a gift from God.



Dates for your diary

<u>Sunday 20th October</u>

10.30am- Family Mass in Corpus Christi Church

<u>Wednesday 23rd October</u>

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

<u>Thursday 24th October</u> <u>4.00-6.50pm</u>Parent Consultations

Friday 25th October

3:15pm School closes for half-term

Monday 4th November 8:40am School reopens

Friday 15th November Children in Need fundraiser 50p per child

Wear something spotty

<u>Wednesday 20th</u> <u>November</u> Flu immunisations

<u>Thursday 28th</u> <u>November</u> Enhancement- Author visit to KS2





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Mission (14th-18th October 2024)

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

I am grateful for all I have and praise God for all he has given me.



Today we held our annual Harvest Festival which reminds us of the importance of thanking God for the food we have and for those who produce the food as well as remembering to share with those who are less fortunate.

In the week ahead, our mission is to count our blessings and remember to praise God every day for the food we have to eat.





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Pupil Led Whole School Collective Worship

Today, we held our Harvest Festival Service which was planned and led by Year 5/6 in Corpus Christi Catholic Church and to which parents, carers, members of the parish and the local community were invited.

Each class sang a different song or hymn about being thankful for the harvest to show our gratitude for the work of all those who provide the food we eat. This was followed by a procession of gifts to put on the Harvest table.

Thank you to everyone who so generously donated food and other items to our harvest festival especially in these challenging times. There was a magnificent harvest display again this year which has been donated to the parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society and the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal who are always extremely grateful to receive such a large donation. The food and other goods will be used to make food parcels for those who are in great need.

All the children were amazing.

What a wonderful Harvest Festival and joyful celebration of thankfulness and generosity!





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Family Fast Day

Thank you for all the biscuits donated for the Parish Food Bank.

Also thank you for all the 50 pence pieces donated to CAFOD – all by our very generous parents. We raised a fabulous total of $\pounds 63.50$ for CAFOD.





Thank you to Bella and Ella in Year 4 who have contributed, along with their family and friends, a staggering 14 shoe boxes.

Well done - thank you for your kindness and generosity!

There is still time to donate a shoe box to school or to send in some items for the shoebox each class is preparing.



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





Past and Present

Reception and Reception/Year 1 have

recently enjoyed sharing photos of their families and talking to others about their parents, siblings and grandparents. This week, the children began to use the vocabulary 'past' and 'present' when talking about their own lives. They sorted items they once used in the past, e.g. baby bottle, and items they use in the present, e.g. drinking cup.







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This week **Year 4** worked with Classroom Kitchen to create some dishes that would likely to have been eaten during the Ancient Egypt period. The children created an okra stew and paste which the children enjoyed with couscous and pita bread. The children recapped their different chopping techniques and enjoyed learning about the types of foods the Ancient Egyptians ate.















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This week, **Year 4/5** had the opportunity to make a delicious traditional Egyptian meal. The children made their own Egyptian stew which they enjoyed eating with cous cous and pitta bread. Each child developed their cutting skills and some children even tried a food they had never eaten before – okra!



During music lessons, **Year 4/5** have been composing and playing their own songs. The children are beginning to read and write musical notations with growing confidence.





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Y5/6 Design Technology Project

As part of their topic 'The Second World War', pupils in Year 5/6 were instructed on how to make an Anderson Shelter. The expert visitor explained why they were used and their importance during the war. Then the children designed their own shelter which they created using wood, card and specialist DT equipment.







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This week Year 6 participated in the government's national cycle training programme 'Bikeability'.

The Level 1 part of the training took place on the school playground and involved teaching the children how to prepare for riding, controlling a cycle and pedalling with confidence. Then In small groups, the children progressed to level 2 or 3 which involved riding on quiet roads near school with the specialist instructors.



























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Attendance



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Our school target this year is 97%. ACHIEVE TOMORROW ACHIEVE TOMORROW ACHIEVE TOMORROW	Class	This week	Since 3.9.2024		This week	Since 3.9.2024
	Reception 1	99.3%	99.2%	Year 3	96%	96.9%
	Reception/Year 1	96.3%	98.7%	Year 4	92.6%	95.5%
	Year 1	96.7%	97.8%	Year 4/5	94.7%	95.5%
	Year 2	95.2%	94%	Year 5/6	95.7%	96.7%
	Year 2/3	97.2%	97.6%	Year 6	95.7%	97.8%
	This week's whole school attendance 95.9%					

This week's attendance is <mark>95.9</mark>% which is disappointingly **below** our target of 97%.

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



A special thank you to all our parents who have brought their children into school and on time every day this week.



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Notices



To all parents whose children attend our Breakfast Club

We are very sorry but due to rising costs, our price for this service will be increasing to £3.00 per day from Monday 4th November – which is the week we return after half term. Thank you



Confirmation Meetings

Lessons will start after the half term break on Wednesday 6th November for Year 6 children who are registered to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on 5th February **2025**. The family catechesis lessons will be for both a parent and the child to attend and will start at 3.30pm here in school.

Please keep a look out in the newsletter for any changes to this arrangement.

A message from Canon Pat

On Sunday 20th October, we will be having a **Family Mass** at 10.30am in Corpus Christi Church for all the children and families in our parish.

All are welcome!

Many thanks

Canon Pat



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: <u>schoolimmsteam@nhs.net</u> 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 Servic



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