



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Catholic Life and Mission

2025-2026 Newsletter 24 (10th-13th March 2026)



Laetare Sunday

This Sunday marks the midpoint of Lent and is known as **Laetare Sunday**. Laetare means to **rejoice**. The day takes its name from the opening words of Sunday's Mass, 'Laetare Jerusalem'- Rejoice, O Jerusalem'. The priest wears **rose** vestments which signify joy. Although we are still during a time of penance and fasting, midway through Lent the church reminds us that we have a reason to be happy because the time of Jesus' resurrection is near!

Laetare Sunday provides us with **encouragement** as we journey towards the end of Lent. It is a small break in this penitential season which reminds us of the joy and hope ahead of Easter.

Important dates and events for your diary

Mondays

3.20-4.20pm Year 2 SATs after school Booster session

3.20-4.15pm -Key Stage 2 Glow in the Dark Dodgeball after school club

Tuesdays

3.20-4.15pm -Year 4 Times Table group after school

3.20-4.20pm -Year 2-Athletics with ACE Clubs

3.20-4.10pm -Year 6 Reading Club

Wednesdays

Year 3/4 and Year 4 Swimming lessons

Year 3 and Year 3/4 - Diocesan Singing

Programme lessons followed by hymn practice for all classes

Year 5/6 and Year 6 - Melodica instrument lessons for classes

3.20-4.15pm - Year 5-, Y5/6- & Y6 Cricket after school with Mr Wales for Classes

Thursdays

Year 3 and Year 3/4 - Djembe instrument lessons for classes

3.20-4.30pm -Art after school club for Year 4

Fridays

Artforms whole class music specialist lessons

3.20-4.30pm -Choir after school club Mrs Cossavella

Monday 16th -Thursday- 19th March

Book Fair for parents and children to visit. See more details in this newsletter.

Wednesday 18th March

Virtual Reality Workshops

Year 3, Year 3/4, Year 4- North America

Year 5, Year 5/6 Ancient Maya

Year 6 at Detective For A Day Leeds University

Monday 30th March

Take Over Day- pupils to come dressed in the job role of their role.

Thursday 2nd April – School closes at 1pm for the Easter break



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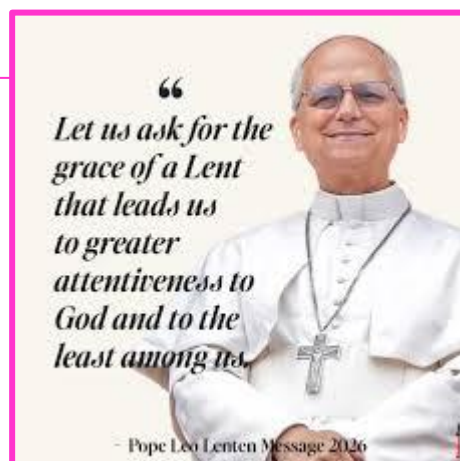
Mission -our faith in Action

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

The 4th Sunday of Lent encourages us to continue to pray, fast and give to grow closer to God and serve others through the acts kindness, and dedicated prayer time and making small sacrifices.

Fasting helps us focus on God, while giving to others shares God's love with the needy.

In the week ahead, let us continue our Lenten journey with hope and joy by praying and fasting from hurtful words as well as giving to others-especially those less fortunate than ourselves.





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Sunday is also **Mother's Day**. Mothering Sunday always falls on the fourth Sunday in Lent - Laetare Sunday. On Mother's Day we celebrate and thank all mothers, both near and far, both in this world and the next, for all they do for us.

The loveliest
masterpiece
of the heart of God
is the heart of a
mother.

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We hope all our hard-working mums, grandmas and caregivers have a very happy and well-deserved special day. We hope every single one of you enjoy a day of being loved, pampered and spoiled. For those whose mums are with God we hope that special memories of all their love and care comfort you.

TO ALL WOMEN WHO
NURTURE, MENTOR,
AND SHOW THE WAY
FOR THE NEXT
GENERATION IN HOPE,
RESILIENCE, AND
LOVE

HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY!

You're the greatest





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Congratulations!



Congratulations to our children who chose to continue their sacramental journey by preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They attended the Enrolment Mass alongside their parents and families with the parish community. This special occasion marks an important step in their spiritual lives as they prepare to receive the Sacraments- Reconciliation in Year 3, Eucharist in Year 4 and Confirmation in Year 6.

As they continue this journey of preparation, we keep them in our prayers and encourage them to grow in faith, understanding, and love. May God bless each child and their families,



Mrs Walsh was delighted to see some of our past pupils continuing to take an active role in the life of our parish. Laurence and Chisom faithfully serve at Sunday Mass, while Marianne, Roxanne and Raine share their talents by singing beautifully in the church choir. It is wonderful to see them continuing their faith journey and contributing so positively to our parish community.

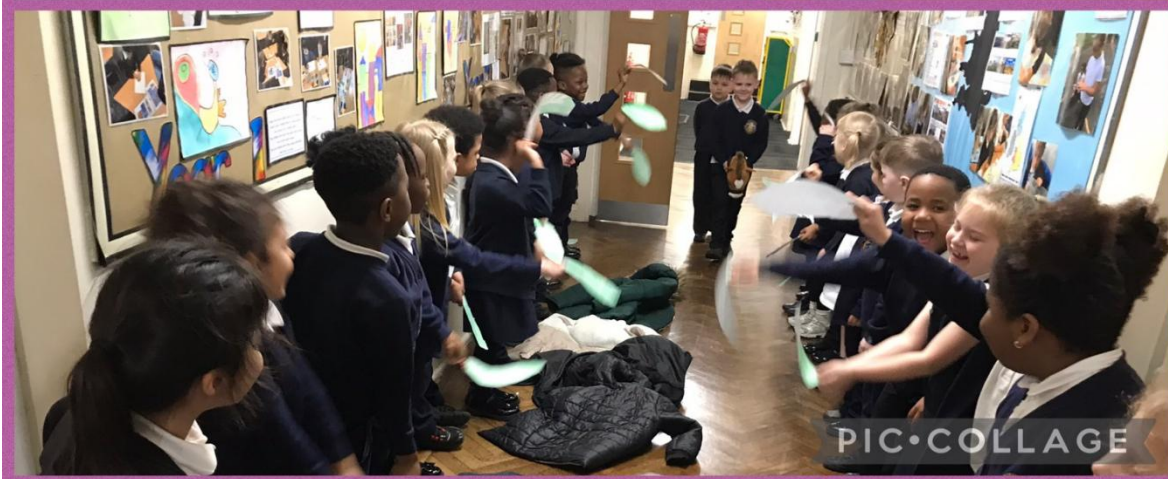
They very kindly agreed to have their photo included in the school newsletter as an inspiration to others, and we are very proud of the example they are setting for our current pupils by continuing to live out their faith and serve the parish community.



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Year 1 children acted out the story of 'Palm Sunday' recognising that this was a happy time when Jesus was welcomed into Jerusalem. They made palms and joyfully shouted, 'Hosanna. hosanna' as Jesus entered into Jerusalem.





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In maths in **Provision Class**, we are trying to learn about 'more' and 'less'. We have used a crocodile to help us. The crocodile likes to eat the group that has more and will face this number with its mouth.

Example:

- $5 > 3$

The crocodile opens towards **5** because **5 is more than 3**.

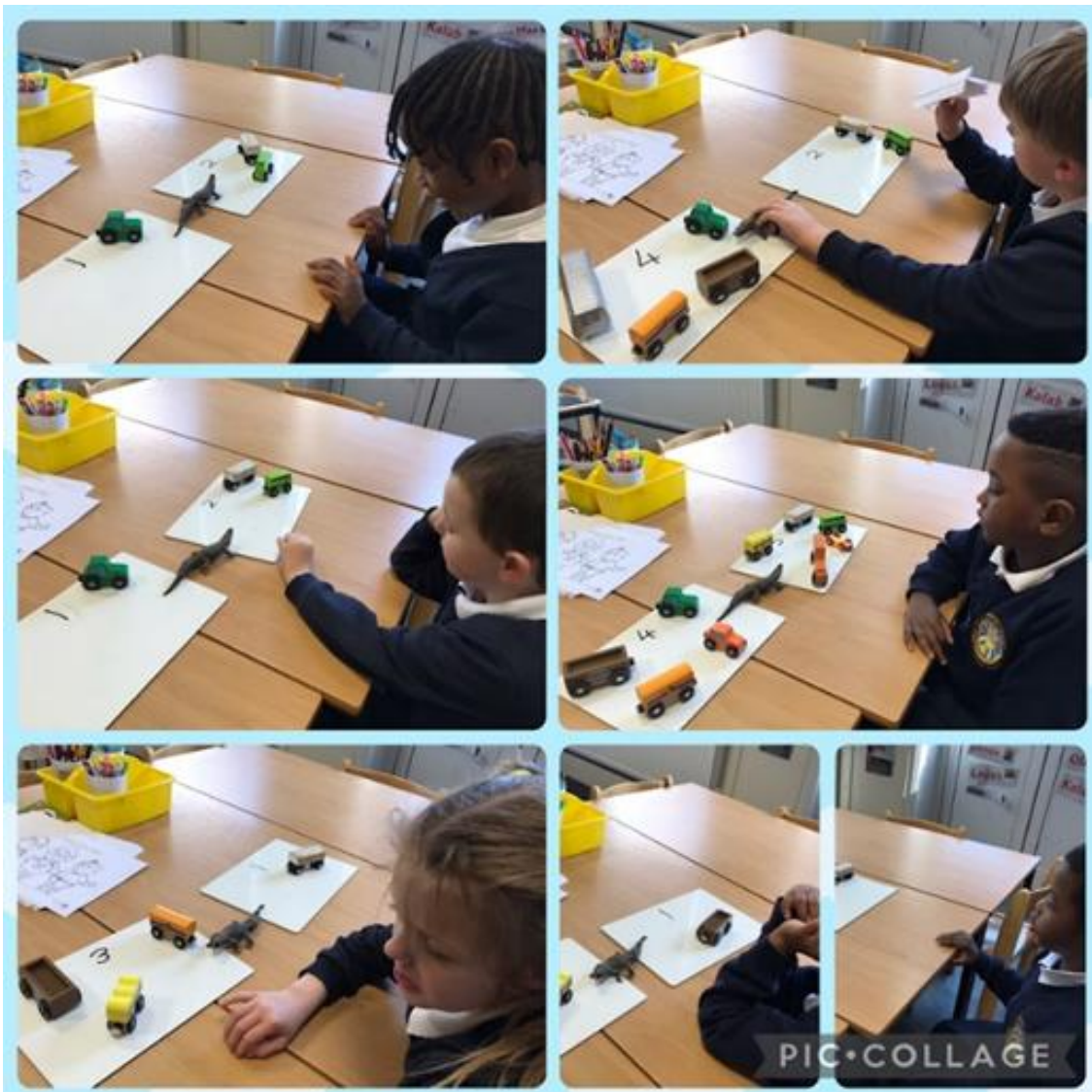
You can say: *"Five is more than three."*



- $2 < 6$

The crocodile opens towards **6** because **6 is more than 2**.

You can say: *"Two is less than six."*





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As part of our focus on books and reading for World Book Week, **Year 2** took part in a live follow-along lesson with author Kael Tudor, where the pupils listened, learnt about and were inspired by the creative writing process. It was a wonderful time celebrating the joy of reading and storytelling.



KAEL TUDOR (AUTHOR) LIVE READING SESSION

PIC-COLLAGES



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Pupils from **Year 3 and Year 3/4** performed a number of exciting djembe drumming pieces for the rest of school. Their performances were full of energy and confidence. It was wonderful to see how much progress the children have made.

The pupils demonstrated an impressive range of drumming skills, including:

- **Keeping a steady pulse**
- **Playing different rhythmic patterns**
- **Using a variety of djembe tones** (bass, tone and slap)
- **Listening carefully and playing as an ensemble**
- **Starting and stopping together using cues**
- **Maintaining tempo**
- **Dynamic control** (playing louder and softer)
- **Call and response patterns**
- **Building layered rhythms**



Some of these pupils have only been learning the djembe for **five months**, which makes their achievement even more remarkable. Their teamwork, focus and musicality were fantastic to see, and the whole school thoroughly enjoyed the performance.

It was truly a **joy to watch**, and we are very proud of them!





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Year 5 have been preparing for St Patrick's Day with a fantastic Irish Folk Workshop. The children were treated to listening to traditional Irish music and learning about a variety of Irish instruments. They also had the opportunity to learn some wonderful Irish dances, trying out new steps and rhythms together. It was a fantastic morning that was thoroughly enjoyed by all the children!



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Take Over Day – Monday 30th March

What job or career would you like to have when you are older?

Come to school on 30th March wearing the outfit of your chosen role.





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Attendance



Attendance (10th – 13th March 2026)

Class	This week	Since 02.09.2025
Reception (Miss Kirk)	96.6%	95.6%
Provision (Miss Laxton)	100.0%	97.2%
Year 1 (Miss Horkan)	96.1%	96.6%
Year 2 (Mrs Grailey)	97.5%	96.8%
Year 3 (Mr Goodall)	100.0%	97.1%
Year 3/4 (Mrs Hossack)	97.4%	96.3%
Year 4 (Mrs Child)	100%	97.8%
Year 5 (Miss McBride)	97.5%	97.2%
Year 5/6 (Miss Guy)	94.1%	95.9%
Year 6 (Mr Doyle)	98.1%	94.8%
Total figure for attendance	97.7%	96.5%

100%

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This week's attendance is **97.7%** which once is again above school target and is an amazing achievement. Having **three classes with 100% is brilliant** is fantastic and really shows the dedication of our children to their education, as well as the commitment from parents in ensuring their children arrive at school each day. Well done to every child who made it into school on time this week. This is a brilliant attendance figure—let's keep up the great work!



A massive well done to **all the classes who have 100% attendance this week, you are all fantastic! Provision, Year 3 Mr Goodall and Year 4 Mrs Child- fantastic! Well done to the other four classes who are above target and two that were almost there.** Everyone is making a real effort- keep it up!





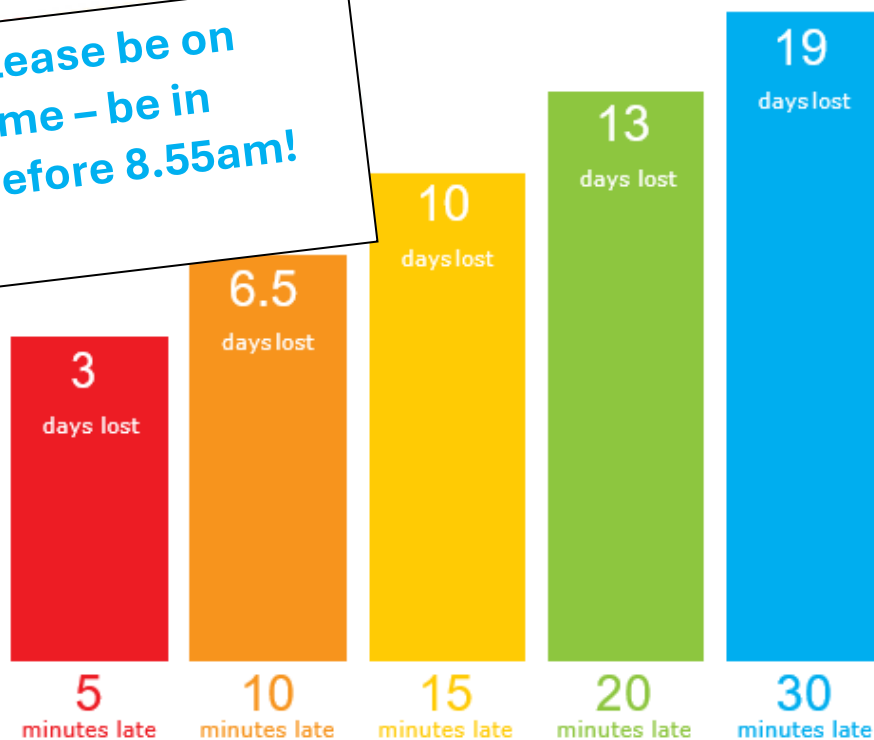
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**Running late? If mornings are difficult,
call in and let's see if we can help.**

Lost minutes = Lost learning

**Please be on
time – be in
before 8.55am!**



Please be on time to give your child the best chance of success.

Gates open at 8.40am promptly.

Please note children should be in class by 8.55am at the latest.



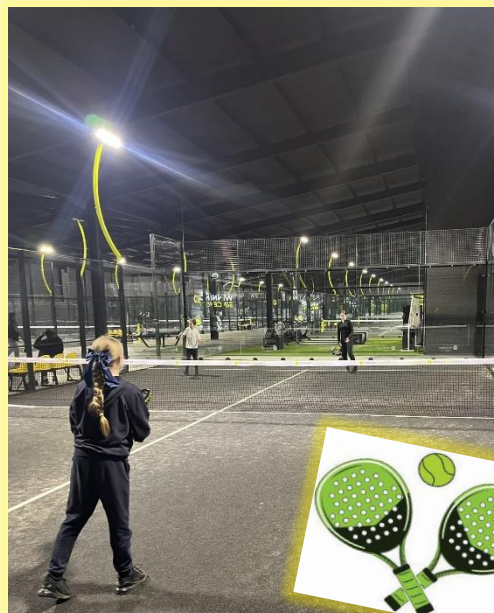
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On Monday, some of our children from **Year 3 and Year 4** were selected to take part in an indoor athletics competition at a local high school, competing against other schools from the area. The children participated in a range of events including long jump, speed jump, chest push, and several different races. A big thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to help with transport and support on the day – it was greatly appreciated. The children performed brilliantly throughout the competition and achieved an excellent **second place overall**. Well done to everyone involved!

On Tuesday, a group of our **Year 6** pupils were selected to take part in a padel event at Slazenger Padel. This was a fantastic opportunity for some of our gifted tennis players to try a new sport that is rapidly growing in popularity. The children represented the school brilliantly and were fantastic ambassadors throughout the evening. Most importantly, they had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Well done to everyone who took part!





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It's Book Fair Time!

March Book Fair Dates

Before school outside,
weather permitting and
after school, also outside.

Monday 16th

Tuesday 17th

Wednesday 18th

and only the morning of Thursday 19th.



Easter Egg Raffle

Tickets 50p on sale
from Monday 16th
March





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Our new menu commenced Monday 23rd February and runs on a 3 week rota, week one, week two and week three.

If a child does not want a school meal every day, they can mix and match between packed lunches or school meals on certain days.

However, if you pay for your child's school meals and choose this option, your child must have the same choice of school dinner/packed lunch on the same day over the three week period. For example, many children have a school meal every Thursday (roast dinner day) and every Friday (fish and chips) and they bring a packed lunch on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday.

Please browse the menus below and if you have any questions about them, call into

MIGHTY MEALS MENU 2026

Great school lunches designed to **help young people grow and thrive** in everything they do!
Seasonal vegetables are provided with all meals or children can opt out for our 'Pick Your Own' salad bar.

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N4 Week ONE

W/C 23/02, 16/03, 27/04, 18/05, 08/06, 29/06, 20/07.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Mains	Margherita Pizza (V)(H) Homemade Jacket Wedges	Ham and Pepper Quiche Baby New Potatoes	Breaded Chicken with Katsu Curry Sauce Sunshine Rice	Roast Chicken with Stuffing Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes Roast Potatoes Gravy	Battered Fish (H) Chips
Meat Free	Vegetarian Super Five Pasta (V)(H)	Cheesy Bean Wrap (V)(H) Baby New Potatoes	Vegetarian Brunch Muffin (V)(H) Herby Diced Potatoes	Vegetarian Sausage with Stuffing (VE)(H) Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes Roast Potatoes Gravy	Vegetable Samosa with Yoghurt and Mint Sauce (V)(H) Masala Potato Salad
Deli	Tuna Mayonnaise Bap (H) Homemade Jacket Wedges	Egg Mayonnaise Bap (V)(H) Baby New Potatoes (H)	Cheddar Cheese Wrap (V)(H) Herby Diced Potatoes	Soft Filled Roll with either Roast Chicken or Vegetarian Sausage (V)(H) Roast Potatoes	Tuna Mayonnaise Wrap (H) Chips
Spud Station	Jacket Potato with Coleslaw (V)(H)	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (VE)(H)	Jacket Potato with Tuna Crunch (H)		Jacket Potato with Cheddar Cheese (V)(H)
Desserts <small>Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt available daily</small>	Ice Cream with Homemade Berry Sauce	Apple and Yoghurt Sponge with Creamy Custard	Lemon Drizzle Cookies with Fresh Fruit Wedges	Jacket Potato with Tuna Crunch (H) Apple Wedges	Fudgy Chocolate Brownie with Fresh Fruit



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N4 Week TWO

W/C 02/03, 23/03, 04/05, 15/06, 06/07.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Mains	Savoury Cheese Roll (V)(H) Herby Diced Potatoes	Spaghetti Bolognese Crusty Bread	Hawaiian Pizza Seasoned Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes Roast Potatoes Gravy	Crunchy Salmon Bites with Tomato Ketchup (H) Sauté Potatoes
Meat Free	Quorn Biryani (V)(H)	Veggie Meatballs in Tomato Sauce (V)(H) Spaghetti Crusty Bread	Margherita Pizza (V)(H) Seasoned Potato Wedges	Vegetarian Sausage (VE)(H) Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes Roast Potatoes Gravy	Vegetarian Sweet Chilli Chicken Style Wrap (V)(H) Sauté Potatoes
Deli	Tuna Mayonnaise Bap (H) Herby Diced Potatoes	Ham Bap Homemade Jacket Wedges	Egg Mayonnaise Bap (V) (H) Seasoned Potato Wedges	Soft Filled Roll with either Roast Chicken or Vegetarian Sausage (V)(H) Roast Potatoes	Cheddar Cheese Bap (V)(H) Sauté Potatoes
Spud Station	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Coleslaw (V)(H)	Jacket Potato with Beef Bolognese	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (VE)(H)	Jacket Potato with Tuna Crunch (H)	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise (H)
Desserts <small>Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt available daily.</small>	Pancakes with Ice Cream and Toffee Sauce	Butterscotch Cookie with Fresh Fruit Wedges	Raspberry Jelly with Peach Slices	Sprinkle Sponge with Creamy Custard	Chocolate Crispy Slice with Fresh Fruit



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N4 Week THREE

W/C 09/03, 30/03, 20/04, 11/05, 01/06, 22/06, 13/07

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Mains	Margherita Tortilla Pizza (V)(H) Pasta Salad	Chicken Tikka Masala Rice and Naan Bread	Minced Beef Tacos Rice	Pork Sausage Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes Roast Potatoes Gravy	Fish Finger Butty (H) Tomato Ketchup Chips
Meat Free	Veggie Meatball Sub (V)(H) Homemade Jacket Wedges	Crispy Topped Macaroni Cheese (V)(H)	Vegetarian Enchiladas (V)(H) Rice	Vegetarian Sausage (VE)(H) Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes Roast Potatoes Gravy	Crispy Vegetable Nuggets (VE)(H) Tomato Ketchup Chips
Deli	Tuna Mayonnaise Wrap (H) Homemade Jacket Wedges	Ham Bap Baby Baked Potatoes	Egg Mayonnaise Bap (V)(H) Herby Diced Potatoes	Soft Filled Roll with either Pork Sausage or Vegetarian Sausage (V)(H) Roast Potatoes	Cheddar Cheese Salad Wrap (V)(H) Chips
Spud Station	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (VE)(H)	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise (H)	Jacket Potato with Ham and Cheddar Cheese	Jacket Potato with Tuna Crunch (H)	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise (H)
Desserts	Carrot Cake with Creamy Custard	Banoffee Mousse	Chocolate-Orange Flapjack with Fresh Fruit	Strawberry Crunch Sundae	Raspberry Bun with Fresh Fruit Wedges



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Medical and dental appointments

Please book **routine medical and dental appointments** out of school hours or during school holidays so as 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 at least three days before the appointment date or call into the school office to show any letter /text to confirm the appointment. We must have proof of your child's appointment to cover the absence.

Please also send a Class Dojo or Tapestry message of the appointment to the class teacher.

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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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
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