



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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2025-2026 Newsletter 30 (27th April - 1st May 2026)

Catholic Life and Mis

Important Dates

Monday 4th May
Bank Holiday

Tuesday 5th May
4.10 finish- **Year 6** Reading booster class
4.15pm finish- Year 4 Times tables after school club
4.15-Year 1 Athletics with ACE Clubs after school

Wednesday 6th May
8.15 start- **Year 6** Grammar booster class
3.30-4.30pm- First Holy Communion lessons for communicants

Thursday 7th May
9.15am- Year 1 Celebration of the Word-Marian Service led by Year 1
4.30pm finish -Year 5 Art after school with Mrs Robinson

Friday 7th May
4.30pm finish- Years 4 to 6 Choir after school club Mrs Cossavella

Monday 11th May to Thursday 14th

May 

Mondays
Coach led PE lessons

Wednesdays
Coach led PE lessons
Year 3 and Year 3/4 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

Thursdays
Year 3 and Year 3/4 - Djembe instrument lessons

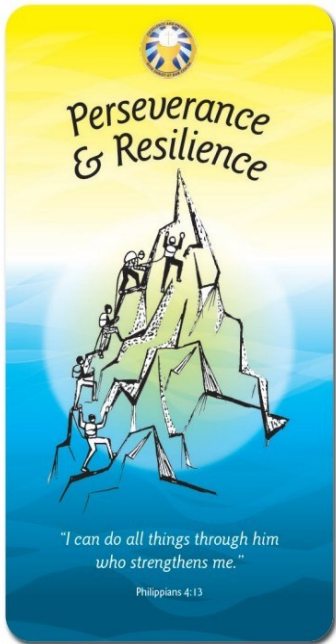
Fridays
Artforms whole class music specialist lessons with Mrs Cossavella



Virtues to Live By

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**Our 'Virtue to Live by'—
Perseverance and Resilience**



Perseverance is the **ability** to keep going when things are tough. Perseverance means "not giving up".

'O God, put a steadfast spirit within me.'
(Psalm 50:12)

Resilience is the **ability** to 'bounce back' after challenges and tough times.

"The Lord is my strength and my song."
(Psalm 118:14)





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FAITH IN ACTION
faith *love*

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

- Having faith and hope even when things are difficult.
- Being brave and always trying our best.
- Remembering that we are not alone.
- Asking God to help us grow through our personal challenges.
- Completing what we've started

Take one step at a time and keep going!





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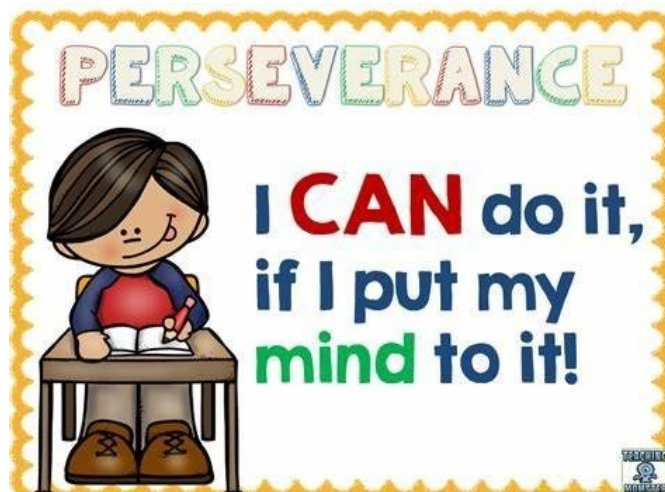
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Virtues to Live By

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

| 27 th April - 1st May 2026 | | Our focus 'Virtue to Live By' is Perseverance and Resilience |
|---|---------------|---|
| Class | Recipient | |
| Reception/Provision Miss Kirk/Miss Laxton | Hope | |
| Year 1 Miss Horkan | Karter | |
| Year 2 Mrs Grailey | Sonni | |
| Year 3 Mr Goodall | Harper | |
| Year 3/4 Mrs Hossack | Noah G | |
| Year 4 Mrs Child | Atarah | |
| Year 5 Miss McBride | Ben | |
| Year 5/6 Miss Guy | Lexi | |
| Year 6 Mr Doyle/Miss Oxley | Bang | |





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Year 3 delivered a beautiful and inspiring Celebration of the Word using the Parable of the Persistent Widow and the Unjust Judge (*Luke 18:1–8*)

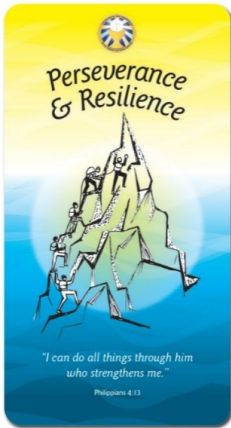
This powerful story linked closely with our school virtues of perseverance and resilience. In the story, a widow repeatedly goes to a judge who neither fears God nor cares about people, asking for justice against her adversary. At first, the judge ignores her, but because she keeps coming back and refuses to give up, he eventually grants her request just to stop her persistence. The lesson in this parable is to keep praying and not lose heart, trusting that God hears and will respond in the right time.



Year 3 also shared the story of Derek Redmond and his remarkable achievements. They told us about his unforgettable moment at the Olympics, showing incredible courage and determination when he faced injury but chose to keep going. He said, 'Just get up just one more time than you've been knocked down.'

The children helped us reflect on how we can all keep trying, even when things feel difficult, and support one another through challenges.

We are very proud of **Year 3** for presenting such a thoughtful and inspiring assembly.



What a fantastic performance! Children are so well-prepared. It was a pure joy to see the performance. A massive thank you.

Parent comment

It was beautiful seeing the children share the word about perseverance and resilience.

It was such an inspiring message. Well done all of you, be proud of yourselves.

Parent comment



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Year 6 had the opportunity to take part in the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Corpus Christi Church this week.

A very moving, spiritual and joyful experience to be able to pray before the consecrated eucharist that Jesus is truly present in.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Year 6



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During an RE lesson this week, **Year 1** listened to the Bible story of Pentecost. They acted out the story together and spoke about the gift of the Holy Spirit. The children were very impressed when one class member spoke fluent Spanish to share the good news about Jesus which was just like the Apostles who spoke in many languages when proclaiming their faith.





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Our Wonderful 'Stars of the Week' (27th April - 1st May 2026)

| Class | Star of the week | Reason for the award |
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| Reception and Provision (Miss Kirk/Miss Laxton) | Lucy | For her wonderful independent writing. |
| | Samir | For being a wonderful member of the class. |
| Year 1 (Miss Horkan) | Victoria | For impressing the whole class when speaking Spanish fluently during our RE role play about Pentecost. |
| | Harper | For always following school rules, trying her best ready to learn, trying her best and for being a wonderful friend. |
| Year 2 (Mrs Grailey) | Anna | For being a wonderful role model through her concentration and determination every day. |
| | Dominic | For his fantastic effort, independence and always trying his best. |
| Year 3 (Mr Goodall) | The whole class | For wonderfully leading our whole school Celebration of the Word this week. |
| Year 3/4 (Mrs Hossack) | Archibold | Archibold - For being an excellent team player. Your kindness, maturity and positive attitude sets a great example to others. |
| | Riaan | For being such a kind, helpful and sensible member of the class. You are a wonderful role model in Year 3/4. |
| Year 4 (Mrs Child) | Bella | For working hard in all areas of her work, well done Bella you are becoming a wonderful role model and friend. |
| | Finley | For being a supportive friend and showing kindness to others. Well done Finley! |
| Year 5 (Miss McBride) | Mariama | For working hard this week within lessons and trying her best to persevere when approaching new topics in Maths. |
| | Skylar | For always trying her best within lessons and being a role model to all in class. Well done! |
| Year 5/6 (Miss Guy) | Maizie | For an improved attitude towards her learning making progress especially in her writing |
| | Sophie | For trying her best in her Maths lessons especially with addition and subtraction calculations. |
| Year 6 (Mr Doyle/Miss Oxley) | Elektra | For showing resilience and making big improvements in her maths lessons and tests |
| | Parker-Lee | For showing perseverance in completing and checking his maths calculations |





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Essential Skills



Every 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 27th April - 1st May 2026

| 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> |
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| Reception & Provision (Miss Kirk/Miss Laxton) | Orla | |
| Year 1 (Miss Horkan) | Evie-Mae | |
| Year 2 (Mrs Grailey) | Isabella | |
| Year 3 (Mr Goodall) | Denis | |
| Year 3/4 (Mrs Hossack) | Oma | |
| Year 4 (Mrs Child) | Scarlett H | |
| Year 5 (Miss McBride) | Hannah | |
| Year 5/6 (Miss Guy) | Haylo | |
| Year 6 (Mr Doyle/Miss Oxley) | Heidi | |

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





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Attendance (27th April - 1st May 2026)

| Class | This week | Since 02.09.2025 |
|------------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| Reception (Miss Kirk) | 97.6% | 96.2% |
| Provision (Miss Laxton) | 98.6% | 97.3% |
| Year 1 (Miss Horkan) | 95.3% | 96.6% |
| Year 2 (Mrs Grailey) | 98.7% | 97.0% |
| Year 3 (Mr Goodall) | 99.7% | 97.4% |
| Year 3/4 (Mrs Hossack) | 99.0% | 96.5% |
| Year 4 (Mrs Child) | 96.1% | 97.6% |
| Year 5 (Miss McBride) | 97.2% | 97.3% |
| Year 5/6 (Miss Guy) | 93.5% | 96.1% |
| Year 6 (Mr Doyle/Miss Oxley) | 99.2% | 95.2% |
| Total figure for attendance | 97.4% | 96.7% |

A massive well done to all the children in

Year 3 Mr Goodall, Year 3/4 Mrs Hossack and Year 6 Mr Doyle

who are all in the 99% group for attendance

for this week,

Congratulations to all three classes!

Well done to everyone who made it to school every day.

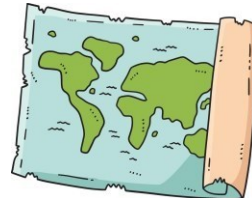
Fantastic attendance – keep it up!





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This week the children in **Reception** have been looking at maps. Miss Kirk made a map of the outside area and the children went on a treasure hunt. Using the map the children had to locate different words to create a sentence. The sentence then told them where the treasure was hiding.

They worked well in teams to figure out the location of each word, using different points of reference to give them clues. Well done Reception!





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Speaking and Listening Task

This week, Year 5 have been discussing persuasive techniques we could use within writing, including:

Rhetorical questions, the power of thee, exaggeration, emotive language, repetition and flattery.

The children combined these ideas within a speaking and listening activity where we worked to persuade each other of the following arguments:

- We should receive extra playtime.
- All children in school should have their own iPad in lessons.
- Summer is the best season.
- Blue is the best colour.
- Children should attend school 6 days a week.



Next week, the children will be writing letters of persuasion to King Charles all about the inspirational woman, **Katherine Johnson**.



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On Monday, some of our Year 2s and 3s were selected to take part in a football tournament at Fives in Seacroft. The children played against 4 school teams from across Leeds. It was a tough day for the team playing against some very good schools. Despite this, they played the right way and grew in confidence throughout the session. They won one of their games, drew two and lost one. Well done all!



On Tuesday, our Year 5 and 6 team took part in the second round of the Bishop's Cup against Holy Name. The team started off really strong and had chance to go a couple of goals ahead but Holy Name began to dominate the ball and create their chances to win the game. Our team showed great resilience to keep going and was still creating their chances in the final minutes of the game. Well done everyone great team spirit by all!



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Thank you for your continued support.

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

From Mrs Walsh

and the team at

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School