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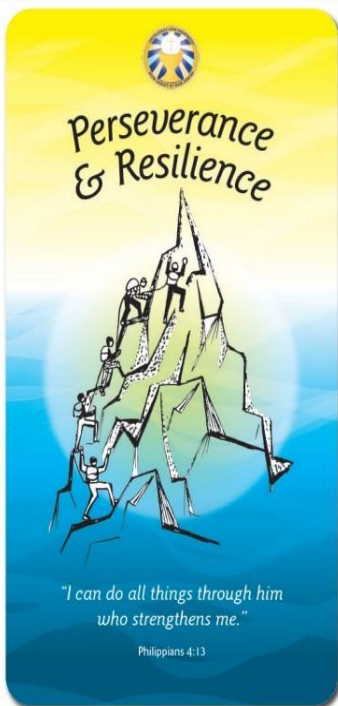
2025-2026 Newsletter 31 (5th – 8th May 2026)

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



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)



Monday 11th to Thursday 14th May



Free Breakfast club for Year 6 starts at 8.00am.

Monday 11th May
Coach led PE lessons

Tuesday 12th May
4.15pm finish - Year 4 Times tables after school club
4.15 finish - Year 1 Athletics with ACE Clubs after school

Wednesday 13th May
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
3.30-4.30pm - First Holy Communion lessons for communicants

Thursday 14th May
Ascension Thursday-Holy Day of Obligation
2.00pm - Mass in Corpus Christi Church
Year 3 and Year 3/4 - Djembe instrument lessons
Provision Class-Djembes
4.30pm finish -Year 5 Art after school with Mrs Robinson

Friday 15th May
Artforms whole class music specialist lessons with Mrs Cossavella
4.30pm finish - Years 4 to 6 Choir after school club Mrs Cossavella

School closes on Friday 22nd May at 1pm



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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

- 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!

FAITH IN ACTION
faith ————— *love*





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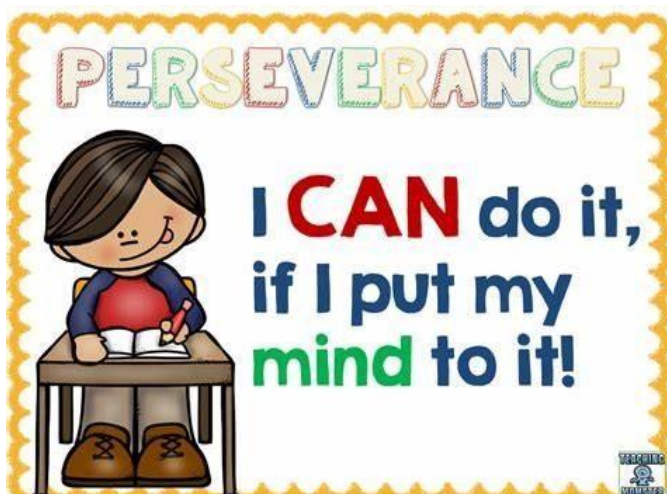
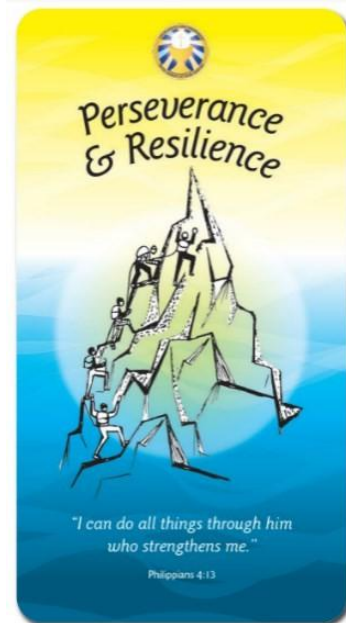
Virtues to Live By

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(4th – 11th May 2026)

Class	Recipient
Reception/Provision Miss Kirk/Miss Laxton	Kabiel
Year 1 Miss Horkan	Marniemae
Year 2 Mrs Grailey	Ivory
Year 3 Mr Goodall	Sofia
Year 3/4 Mrs Hossack	Damilare
Year 4 Mrs Child	Bella
Year 5 Miss McBride	Isobelle
Year 5/6 Miss Guy	Louie Wil
Year 6 Mr Doyle/Miss Oxley	Ryan

Our focus 'Virtue to Live By' is
Perseverance and Resilience





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YEAR 6 STATUTORY TESTS Monday 11th–14th May 2026

Timetable	
Monday 11 May 2026	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 12 May 2026	English reading
Wednesday 13 May 2026	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 14 May 2026	Mathematics paper 3

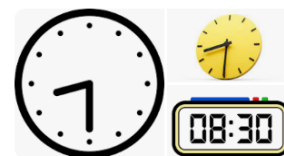
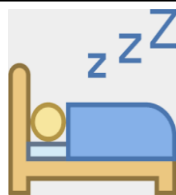
Year 6 Statutory Tests take place next week.

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 Monday-Thursday 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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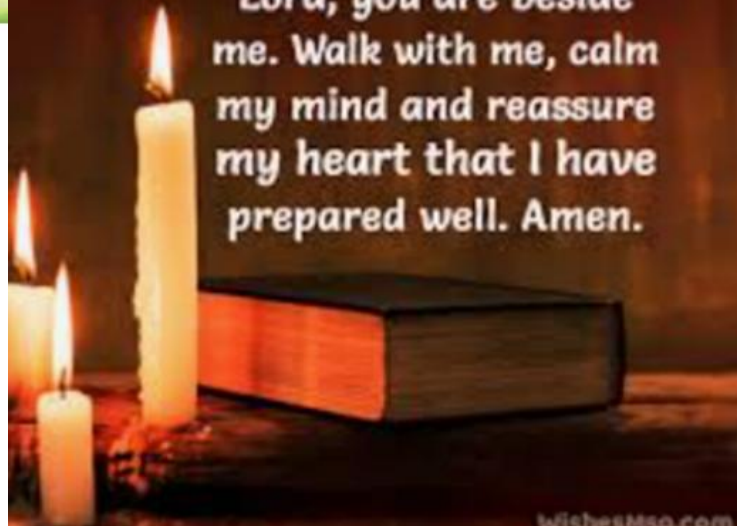
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Good luck to our Year 6
pupils in their tests next
week

"Promise me you'll always
remember: You're braver than
you believe, and stronger
than you seem, and smarter
than you think."



Lord, you are beside
me. Walk with me, calm
my mind and reassure
my heart that I have
prepared well. Amen.





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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 self and more focused on others.





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May: The Month of Mary

Year 1 led a wonderful Marian Service for the whole school and lots of parents. They shared their knowledge about Mary, Our Mother, and described the time when God chose Mary to be the mother of Jesus. The children sang so beautifully when they crowned Mary and honoured her with an array of flowers. All the staff, parents and visitors praised the children for their lovely Marian Service.

Well done, **Year 1!**



Absolutely amazing, the children were wonderful and it was so interesting. I always love to come and watch. Well done children and staff.

Parent comment

Mary is Jesus' Mum. She had flowers today.
Reception pupil comment

The singing was just amazing. What a beautiful Marian Service. The children spoke so well and described all the wonderful things about Mary.

Staff comment



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Our Wonderful 'Stars of the Week' (4th – 8th May 2026)

Class	Star of the week	Reason for the award
Reception and Provision (Miss Kirk/Miss Laxton)	Ava	For being amazing at trying her new activity.
	Bodie	For his excellent work in phonics.
Year 1 (Miss Horkan)	The Whole Class	For leading a beautiful Marian Service to honour Mary Our Mother.
Year 2 (Mrs Grailey)	Lois	For producing a beautifully written and creative retelling of The Egyptian Cinderella with thoughtful new ideas and details.
	Tsolayemi	For quietly demonstrating excellent behaviour every day and being a positive role model in our classroom.
Year 3 (Mr Goodall)	Noah	For being engaged in lessons and contributing to discussions.
	Joel	For a big improvement in focus and concentration in lessons.
Year 3/4 (Mrs Hossack)	Cooper	For showing focus and determination in all lessons and especially for learning all multiplication facts.
	Gloria	For fantastic effort in maths lessons and showing determination in solving challenging questions.
Year 4 (Mrs Child)	Ava	For being inquisitive when exploring new topics and working hard in all areas of her learning.
	Selome	For persevering and trying independently to improve her written sentences.
Year 5 (Miss McBride)	Teddy	For a fantastic effort in Maths this week when translating shapes.
	Maya	For a positive attitude to learning this week and fantastic dedication to her role as an eco-warrior.
Year 5/6 (Miss Guy)	Connor	For being a role model showing kindness to others
	Ella	For improving her concentration especially in writing lessons.
Year 6 (Mr Doyle/Miss Oxley)	Lucas	For working hard on his morning registration maths which is improving his arithmetic scores.
	Laci	For improving her work across the curriculum with her positivity and editing of her finished work.





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Essential Skills



Every week we award a Skills Builder Award to one child in each class who has displayed the skill focused on that week.



Social and emotional wellbeing




Learning and academic outcomes



Careers and opportunities

Skills Builder Award (5th-8th 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>
Reception & Provision (Miss Kirk/Miss Laxton)	Cade	
Year 1 (Miss Horkan)	Ariya	
Year 2 (Mrs Grailey)	Joseph	
Year 3 (Mr Goodall)	Michael	
Year 3/4 (Mrs Hossack)	Jonatan	
Year 4 (Mrs Child)	Nicolas	
Year 5 (Miss McBride)	Poppie	
Year 5/6 (Miss Guy)	Bakary	
Year 6 (Mr Doyle/Miss Oxley)	Alfie B	

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





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Attendance (5 th – 8 th May 2026)		
Class	This week	Since 02.09.2025
Reception (Miss Kirk)	97.3%	96.9%
Provision (Miss Laxton)	93.8%	96.2%
Year 1 (Miss Horkan)	98.8%	96.7%
Year 2 (Mrs Grailey)	98.3%	97.0%
Year 3 (Mr Goodall)	99.1%	97.4%
Year 3/4 (Mrs Hossack)	98.3%	96.5%
Year 4 (Mrs Child)	98.2%	97.6%
Year 5 (Miss McBride)	95.3%	97.3%
Year 5/6 (Miss Guy)	100.0%	96.2%
Year 6 (Mr Doyle/Miss Oxley)	97.6%	95.3%
Whole school attendance	97.6%	96.7%



A massive **well done** to all the children in

Year 5/6 Miss Guy who are the only class to achieve attendance this week!



Seven other classes were above our school target. Well done to Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 3/4, Year 4 and Year 6!

Congratulations to them!



Well done to everyone who made it to school every day. We are still on target for this week which is great news.

Fantastic attendance – keep it up!





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The children in our **Provision Class** have been enjoying the story of *The Hungry Caterpillar*. As part of our learning, they made caterpillars using polymer clay, helping to develop their fine motor skills. They carefully rolled the clay into small balls and joined them together to create their colourful caterpillars.





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Year One and Mrs Folan were very happy when they visited the planters this week. Thanks to all the hard work of some children on 'watering duties' we have our first vegetable! Although it is a small one- it is a beautiful little radish!



Thank you to Miss Harker's lunchtime helpers for their assistance with watering the vegetable beds.





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Pineapple Upside Cake!

Year 3/4 had a fantastic time baking a delicious pineapple upside-down cake! The classroom was filled with excitement as the children carefully measured ingredients, mixed the batter, and watched their creation come together. The best part of all was tasting their scrumptious cake—there were lots of smiles and happy faces all around!



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The children in Year 4 have been exploring the music of Delia Derbyshire who is famous for her groundbreaking electronic compositions. She is best known for creating the original theme music for the Doctor Who and for her work on the influential album *An Electric Storm*. She was also involved in experimental projects such as *Unit Delta Plus* and *Kaleidophon*, helping to shape the future of electronic music.



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This week in PE, **Year 6** focused on developing their striking skills. The children learned how a strong stance and correct foot positioning are key factors in successfully striking the ball with control and power. They then put these skills into action during highly competitive class rounders games, showing excellent teamwork, determination and growing confidence throughout the lesson.



Year 6 Rounders



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Thank you for your continued support.

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

From Mrs Walsh

and the team at

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School