

# From the Headteachers

We wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year for 2020.

At Corpus Christi, attendance and punctuality are a very high priority. We want motivated enthusiastic learners who get to school on time, ready to learn and who thus establish good habits as lifelong learners, in line with the schools values and ethos.

The school has a system of incentives and rewards in place which acknowledge the efforts of pupils to improve their attendance. Our school policy on attendance encourages parents to ensure that holidays are booked outside term time and challenges the behaviour of those pupils and parents who give low priority to attendance and punctuality. There is no entitlement to holiday in term-time, we strongly discourage missing school for this reason. Children miss out on crucial work and friendships and may lose their sense of engagement and involvement with school life. Since 1st September 2013 headteachers are no longer allowed to grant any absence outside school holidays, except under "exceptional circumstances".

Last year the attendance rate at Corpus Christi was 98.2% (the highest in the Lambeth) and our unauthorised and persistent absences were the lowest in Lambeth which is a great credit to you as parents and shows the priority that you give your children's education.

This morning 164 children achieved attendance awards at assembly for achieving 100% attendance which is a great testament to your co-operation when booking holidays outside term time. It is also helpful to try to avoid having medical appointments during the school day. If this cannot be avoided please request later appointments so that your child can attend school for morning registration and return before afternoon registration.

Thank you once again for your support and co-operation.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

| Sat 11 <sup>th</sup><br>Jan | 1103.am CC v Crawford at<br>Rosendale Road                                    |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon<br>13 <sup>th</sup> Jan | 9.30am Whole School Mass 3.30pm - 4.35m First Holy Communion Classes Commence |
| Wed<br>15 <sup>th</sup> Jan | Eye Examinations for Reception Children                                       |
| Fri 17 <sup>th</sup><br>Jan | 9am Class 14 Assembly                                                         |

### **Early Morning Spelling Groups**

If your child attends one of Mrs Cunningham's Spelling Groups these will resume next week.





### Year 5 Bikeability Level 1 and Level 2

This week your child was given information about the bikeability course taking place in school 20<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> January. Completed consent forms must be returned to your child's class teacher if they would like to participate on the course.

# **Announcements**

### **Vision Screening Reception Children**

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January each child in Reception will have their vision assessed by the Guy's & St Thomas' Hospital Eye Team. If you DO NOT wish your child to have this assessment please return the reply slip that was given with the information to children last term. If you require a further copy of this information please contact the school office.

#### **Music Lessons**

We have availability for children who wish to learn one of the following instruments: clarinet; flute; percussion or low brass. Lessons are available for children Years 4 - 6 and are chargeable at £75 per half term.

For more information please email:

kbell@corpuschristi.lambeth.sch.uk

# Merit Awards for the week ending 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 2019

| Nursery P/T | Edward N   |
|-------------|------------|
| Nursery F/T | Alba W     |
| Class 1     | Martin Q   |
| Class 2     | Pato E     |
| Class 3     | Liam Q     |
| Class 4     | Maddie A   |
| Class 5     | Thomas A   |
| Class 6     | Niall B    |
| Class 7     | Martina E  |
| Class 8     | Thomas S H |
| Class 9     | Leandro S  |
| Class 10    | Desiree T  |
| Class 11    | lke B      |
| Class 12    | Laurence G |
| Class 13    | Gracie T L |
| Class 14    | Jacob A    |
|             |            |

16th Dec - 20th Dec 2019

| CLASS | %    |
|-------|------|
| 1     | 99.3 |
| 11    | 99.3 |
| 2     | 98.7 |
| 4     | 97.9 |
| 9     | 97.1 |
| 10    | 97.0 |
| 14    | 96.7 |
| 13    | 96.2 |
| 6     | 95.9 |
| 7     | 94.8 |
| N     | 94.0 |
| 5     | 93.8 |
| 12    | 92.7 |
| 8     | 91.4 |
| 3     | 90.0 |

Congratulations to Classes 1 & 11 on their excellent attendance.

# Parents' Zone

### <u>Tulse Hill Junior FC Girls Football</u> Team

Tulse Hill Juniors FC are looking for more girls to join their girl's football team.

Lots of Corpus Christi girls from years 3-6 are already playing.
Training is every Saturday 10am12noon Dulwich Park opposite the cafe.

The U9's and U11's are starting to compete in a girl's only league.

Matches will be played on Sundays.

Girls in Years 7 and 8 are also invited to join for U13's.

For more details about the club and joining see their website **thjfc.co.uk**.

Or for more information about the girls team and training contact Leona (mum to Maeve in year 4) 07908251081.

### **Hatha Yoga Class**

Yoga classes resume next Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 7-8pm

All levels welcome.

Upper Hall, Corpus Christi School.

Entrance through the black gates (leading to the Junior site) across the road from Main Office on Trent Road

£10 drop-in, £8 concessions Limited space.

Please text Alex to book: 07818205058



# Parents' Association News

The Parents' Association would like to wish all our families a very Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you at the events planned for this year.



## **School Dinners Spring Term 2020**

Dinner Money is charged at £2.35 per day for children from Year 3. Please ensure your account is up to date.

First Half term-£68.15

Second Half Term-£70.50

Full Term £138.65

# After School Activity Clubs Spring Term 2020

Clubs commence next week Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January until week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Chess Club will begin Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan - 1<sup>st</sup> April.

Children can bring a small healthy snack to have before their club begins, clubs finish at 4.30pm with the exception of drama which finishes at 4.15pm.

You can follow Corpus Christi School on twitter and keep up to date with the latest news, trips and events that happen during the school year.

Find us on twitter@ccbrixton