

# CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC SCHOOL

### Newsletter 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Issue 24

# From the Headteachers







Children in Early Years watching apples decaying and enjoying planting morning with parents.

#### **British Science Week**

This week, the whole school enjoyed taking part in activities for British Science Week. The theme was all about time and the children learnt about important discoveries that have been made by scientists that involve time. Each year group also conducted a mini-investigation, from watching apples decay over time in the early years to making sand timers in years 1 and 2. In years 3 and 4, the children made jelly and timed how long it would take to set depending on the fruit they added and years 5 and 6 had a go at making their own bioplastic from vinegar, water, cornflour and glycerine. Thank you to Miss Morrison, our science co-ordinator, for preparing and arranging this week.

#### **EYFS Planting Morning**

This week the Reception and Nursery children invited their parents to a "Planting Party" as part of their pupil leadership role, Little Buds. Little Buds take ownership of the school's natural environment and foster their leadership skills by caring for the plants they have planted. This experience not only enriches their learning but also instills a sense of responsibility and connection to nature. Hands-on activities such as planting embody the core principles of the EYFS Curriculum, nurture the holistic development of the children who learn about the natural world around them from a young age but also develop crucial skills such as teamwork, communication, and problem-solving.

#### **Big Plastic Count**

Last Friday you would have received an email detailing the Big Plastic Count. This asked children across the country to record how much plastic waste is generated at home and collate their data on a survey sheet. Please continue to help your child count the different types of plastic waste generated at home this weekend. There will be absolutely no judgement made about how much plastic you use but the data from these surveys will be presented to government to encourage them to take more action to reduce the amount of plastic used in the UK. Thank you in advance for supporting this cause. Please return the completed survey to your child's class teacher on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

<mark>Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Mar</mark>	FOOTBALL CANCELLED
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Year 4 Art Week
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	2.30pm Reception & Year 2
	<b>RAM Concert for parents Main</b>
	Hall
	3.50pm – 6pm Parents' Evening
	Appointments
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	3.50pm – 6pm Parents' Evening
	Appointments
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Nursery Trip to Brixton Library
	2pm Cake Sale & Cake
	Competition
	Second Hand Uniform Sale

### Announcements

Congratulations to Mrs Giles on the birth of her son Albert on 1<sup>st</sup> March, we wish all the family very best wishes and look forward to meeting him soon.



#### Mr Brady's Easter Sports Camp at Corpus Christi Trent Road

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024. £20.00 per day, siblings £10.00, Reception to Year 6. Year 7 ex CC children welcome to attend. <u>Click here</u> for a booking form. Forms are also available on the school website and from both the school offices.

#### Catholic Children's Society

Thank you to the children who have returned their Lentern Appeal Boxes to school. There is still time before the end of term for boxes to be brought back, thank you all for your generousity.

After School Care Club Contact Numbers: 07727 658527 Corpus Christi Trent Road, 0204 534 2581 Corpus Christi Trintiy Rise

#### Child of the Week for the week ending Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2024		
Nursery	Macrae-Josh O	
Class 1	Grace M	
Class 2	Zack C D S	
Class 3	Eva G N	
Class 4	Theodora D	
Class 5	Francisca C H	
Class 6	Nyla M	
Class 7	Adrian A V	
Class 8	Alessandro Z E	
Class 9	Oran O	
Class 10	Caleb S	
Class 11	Federico V	
Class 12	Kashius W	
Class 13	Eli M	
Class 14	Antonio B	

<b>Attendance</b> Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> March - 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2024		
CLASS	%	
N	100	
13	99.2	
10	99.1	
7	98.7	
9	98.2	
2	98.0	
11	97.3	
4	96.9	
12	96.8	
14	96.5	
8	96.3	
5	96.0	
1	95.6	
6	95.2	
3	94.8	

Congratulations to Nursery Class on their 100% attendance. Whole school average this week 97%.

# Parents' Zone

Term Dates for the 2024-2025 are now published on the school's website, <u>click</u> <u>here to view</u>.

#### **Teenage Cancer Trust**

On Sunday April 21st, Ms Fitzgerald will be running the TCS London Marathon along with her twin sister Sinead to raise money for Teenage Cancer Trust, but most importantly in memory of her niece Roisin, who at the young age of 18 was diagnosed with a rare germ cell cancer and lost her very hard-fought battle in January 2020, when she was just 22. If you would like to donate to the Teenage Cancer Trust, please <u>click this link</u> to their page and more of their story.

#### Lambeth Partnership of Foodbanks Lent Appeal #giveupandgive

Thank you for all your generosity with food bank donations over the past few months.

In partnership with Lambeth Foodbanks a Lenten Appeal has been set up, <u>please</u> <u>click here for more information</u> about weekly donations which can be brought to either school office.

#### ParentPay Balances

Music charges for Spring Term 2 have now be applied to your ParentPay account. You are reminded that these charges are now payable as stated in your agreement.

Extended daycare places are in high demand, and we are unable to continue to offer a place if you have more than two weeks of charges outstanding.

Thank you to those parents who have started to contribute towards their child's residential trip, making regularly payments will help spread the cost for you.

#### School Journeys School Journeys are an important part of the school year. Juniors were notified at the beginning of the year the cost and opened service on ParentPay to allow partial payments to support families budgeting for tigs. The current levels of payment for school journeys, below, are well below what we would have expected by now. Year 4 Comping Payment Decidine 27/3/24 Page 4 Comping

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 43%

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 41%

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Please ensure you make full payment by the deadlines or before if possible so the school does not incur heavy penalties. Late payments may affect our ability to carry out the trips.

## Parents' Association

### **Dates for Your Diary**

<u>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March</u> <u>Easter Themed Cake Sale</u>



Get your baking trays, spoons and mixers ready, next Friday will be our end of term cake sale. We will also have a cake competition and the theme is Easter. Cakes can be brought to classes on the morning of the sale and children need a small amount of money to buy the cakes back again!

Competition cakes can be brought to either school office on the day. Please ensure all homemade cakes are accompanied with an <u>ingredients list</u>. Parents are welcome to attend at the end of the school day.

We will also have a second-hand uniform sale on 22<sup>nd</sup> March so please donate clean items to school next week.

> <u>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April</u> <u>Bingo Evening</u>

#### Language of the Month is Twi

If you have anything you would like to share on our <u>Board of Languages</u>, send it into class with your child and we will take a copy, or alternatively, sent it to Mrs Beche-Crowe

#### nbechcrowe@corpus-christi.org.uk

Examples: a book, a screenshot of a book in Twi, music or your child singing in Twi, a photo in traditional clothes, or a recipe etc.

If you have any concerns regarding the welfare and safety of any child at Corpus Christi School, please do not hesitate to contact one of our Safeguarding Officers. Any issue will be dealt with in the strictest confidence. Mrs J Connery, Mr R Coyle, Mrs K Smart, Mrs S Cole or Ms S Ruiz