



From The Headteachers

Absence

Since September 2013, Headteachers in England have no longer had the discretion to approve absences of up to 10 days a year for family holidays in "special circumstances". Unfortunately in the last six months we have had a small number of Corpus Christi parents who have taken their children out of school 'on holiday' without the school's prior permission. On each occasion these absences took place on either end of a school holiday and were unauthorised. Children's attendance at school is something which is very important and regular absence can lead to a detrimental effect on a child's future attainment. Any leave of absence granted by the Headteachers will need to be supported by documentation. Please note any absences which are authorised by the Headteachers are still classified as absences and will affect your child's attendance percentage during the year. Permission cannot be granted if the documentation shows bookings have been made prior to a leave of absence request. Should a child be absent for 20 consecutive days for any reason other than an exceptional circumstance, the child will be taken off roll and reported as missing from education to Lambeth Council's attendance team. Please refer to the school's Attendance & Punctuality Policy and diary and term dates on the school's website before making any holiday arrangements.

MERIT AWARDS FOR WEEK ENDING 9th February 2018

Nursery AM	All of the Class
Nursery PM	All of the Class
Class 1	Kip Britton
Class 2	Lawrence Asare
Class 3	Ariam Tekeste
Class 4	Jason Amoah
Class 5	Francesco Staiano
Class 6	Darcy Rae Sewell-Fitzsimmons
Class 7	Charlotte Godet
Class 8	Gisele Oakley-White
Class 9	Marcel Matejczyk
Class 10	Gracie Taylor Leon
Class 11	Zoe Godfrey
Class 12	Olivia Solari-Mason
Class 13	Kay Nannyonga Kyaluzi
Class 14	Sejus Toussaint-O'Neill

DATES TO REMEMBER



BOOK WEEK

26th Feb - 2nd March

Mon 26th Feb	Year 2 Trip to St Paul's Cathedral
Tues 27th Feb	3.10pm Junior Playground Mini Bus Launch
Wed 28th Feb	Book Fair—Upper Hall Before, During & After School parents welcome
Thurs 1st March	9.30am Mass for St David's Day
Fri 2nd March	Book Day Assembly

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From our Parents' Association

Clean Air - have your say

In his efforts to combat air pollution, the Mayor of London is running a consultation to extend the planned 'ultra low emissions zone' to include Lambeth and beyond. To have your say please take the survey before 28 February.
<http://bit.ly/2mVHpgq>

Anti-Idling

Next week you will see signs around the school gates encouraging people to turn off their engines while parked. The emissions are harmful to the children and you could be liable for a £20 fine if a traffic warden finds you with the engines on. Also, Lambeth Council will be coming to the school to provide us with more details on the topic on Monday 26th March.

New Treasurer on PA

We are currently looking for someone to take over this role from Easter. You do not have to have an accountant but it would help if you had a good working knowledge of spreadsheets and an eye for figures. You would share the role with Nadya Morgenstern - our other co-treasurer. It would involve becoming a trustee of the PA charity. If you think this might be something you are interested in, please contact one of the PA or come along to the next meeting on Friday 23rd March at 9am.

Attendance 5th Feb — 9th Feb 2018

Class		%
Class 8	8	99.7
Class 6	6	99.6
Class 2	2	99.3
Class 9	9	99.2
Class 14	14	99.0
Class 10	10	98.6
Class 12	12	97.2
Class 1	1	96.9
Class 5	5	96.9
Class 13	13	96.3
Class 4	4	96.1
Class 3	3	95.9
Class N	N	95.5
Class 7	7	94.4
Class 11	11	94.1

Congratulations to Class 8 on their excellent attendance.

Six Nations Rugby

On 17th March, Corpus Christi Dads will meet at 2.30pm in a private room in the Tulse Hill Hotel to watch England v Ireland in the Rugby Six Nations.

This is our third annual get-together to watch this fixture. Kids are welcome but not compulsory.

Email Michael.donnelly@gmail.com for more information.



General Reminders

Breakfast & After School Care Club

Breakfast & After School Club are extremely popular. We are unable to accept additional children. We request that parents make alternative arrangements if an emergency arises.

School Journeys

The full balance for residential trips must be paid for by:

Year 6 PGL Thursday 29th March 2018

Please log onto your Parentpay account to make payment. Installments can also be made before the dates above.



Friday Night is Lice Night

Please do check regularly to keep those nits at bay! The school nurse has advised parents to use this link for advice on the identification and treatment of head lice. It is the parent's responsibility to check their child's hair regularly and deal with incidences immediately.

<https://www.nhs.uk/video/Pages/how-do-i-check-for-headlice-and-treat-headlice.aspx>

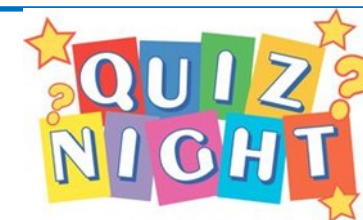
Dinner Money—Spring Term 2018

2nd Half Term— £59.45

Dinner money must be paid for in advance, either weekly, monthly, half termly or termly. Please do not allow your account to go into arrears. If your circumstances have changed and you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please complete the short questionnaire available on our website and we will notify you of the outcome.

<https://www.corpuschristischool.co.uk/parents/school-dinners>

Parents' Association



**International Quiz Night
Friday 16th March**

Doors open at 6.30pm and hot food will be served, quiz commences at 7.30pm

We're joining forces with Corpus Christi Church to host a fun international quiz night with proceeds to be shared between the school and parish. Tickets are available from the school office.

£10.00 per adult or book a table of six for £50.00 and save your team £10.00!

ONLY A FEW TABLES LEFT!

Ticket price includes hot food and other refreshments will be available. This is an adult only event so book your baby sitter now.

Dates for your diary

Parents' Association Meeting

Friday 9am 23rd March

Race Night

Friday 11th May 2018



**CRYSTAL PALACE PARK CROWD FUNDING
PAGE IS LIVE!!!**

Please help us build an awesome theatre, cinema, and art space on the terraces of Crystal Palace Park.

This cannot happen without your help. We have 90 days to raise £56,000 so please pledge to the campaign. Even £2 will show bigger funders that we have the support of the community and will go a long way!

<https://www.spacehive.com/crystalpalaceparktheatre>

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