



From the Headteachers

John Francis Haughey R.I.P

Following the recent sudden passing of John, father to Francisca Year 3, we have set up an In Memoriam collection to provide support to the family, this can be found on your ParentPay account. All donations will go directly to the family, and we remember them in our prayers during this difficult time.

Attendance is Everyone's Business

Following the recent government changes regarding school attendance and expectations on schools and parents, we attach to this newsletter information received from Lambeth Education Welfare Services about these changes and parental responsibility. It states that 'as a parent of a school aged child who is on a school roll it is your responsibility to ensure that your child is in school during the time and dates the school states it is open from. Regarding holidays, the Education Law states that it is not a parent's right to take a child out of school during term time to go on holiday. Families must seek permission from the school for any absence. For any authorised holiday, there must be extenuating circumstances therefore they cannot authorise a holiday because it is cheaper outside of term time.'

Wellbeing

This week we had a PWWP (Parent Wellbeing Working Party) meeting and a RULER presentation also for parents about the emotional intelligence programme that we teach in school. We have also followed the requests in the summer parent survey for Wellbeing suggestion post-boxes. One is mounted on the brick pillar in the Junior playground and one is mounted next to the school office. Parents and children are welcome to make requests - there is paper and a pen with the boxes. As always, if you have any concerns about your child's or your own wellbeing and wish to speak with someone at school, please do contact Mrs Smart - our Senior Mental Health Lead, on ksmart@corpus-christi.org.uk or drop in on Wednesday mornings from 9:00 - 10:30 when she will be available to talk.

Winter Uniform

From Monday 7th October children wear their winter uniform to school. School Hats and caps should still be worn.

Parents' Evening Appointment

We will be holding our Autumn Term Parents' Evening appointments Tuesday 15th Oct and Thurs 17th Oct between 3.40pm – 6pm. If you would like to request a specific day/time, please email gtatton@corpus-christi.org.uk and we will try our best to accommodate.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sat 5 th Oct	9:30am CC v Bird in the Bush at Dulwich Sports Ground
Mon 7 th Oct	Winter Uniform Worn
Tues 8 th Oct	Year 6 Trip to Lambeth Archives
Wed 9 th Oct	9am – 10am Nursery Parents – Stay & Play Early Years followed by Phonics Chat in Holy Family Room
Thurs 10 th Oct	9am – 10am Reception Parents – Stay & Play followed by Phonics Chat in Main Hall
Fri 11 th Oct	9am Class 12 Assembly

Announcements

Secondary School Transfer

Year 6 parents need to apply online through your home borough for your child's secondary school place. Please ensure you complete this by midnight Tuesday 31st October 2024. Please check the secondary school's websites for details of open days. If your child is going to attend any open days and/or exams, please let the school office know.

You can email office@corpus-christi.org.uk

The Co-Head Teachers are available if you wish to discuss any issues regarding secondary transfer.

If you are going to ask Fr Matthew, Corpus Christi Parish Priest, to complete your Certificate of Catholic Practice, please ensure you complete the Parish online form first. [Click the link](#) for more information.

Child of the Week for the week ending 27th Sept 2024

Nursery	Finnegan G
Class 1	Demi G
Class 2	Victoria F V
Class 3	Felix H
Class 4	Cerys S-F
Class 5	Flora C
Class 6	Victoire S
Class 7	Aubrey G
Class 8	Jessica B-C
Class 9	Alidi-Lilli P-Y
Class 10	Herbert M
Class 11	Alex Z
Class 12	Destiny L
Class 13	Micol F
Class 14	Samuel A

Attendance Monday 30th Sept - Friday 4th October 2024

CLASS	%
9	100
10	100
12	99.5
14	99.5
7	99.2
11	99.1
8	98.5
N	96.9
1	96.9
2	95.6
13	95.6
5	93.0
6	87.7
4	87.3
3	87.0

Congratulations to Classes 9 & 10 on their 100% attendance.
Whole school average 96%

Parents' Zone

WhatsApp Groups

Parent WhatsApp groups can be very useful and help you all to keep in touch. Please do not share on these groups information about the school that is not correct. If you are unsure about something that is taking place in your child's class, please contact the school office in the first instance.

From Fr Matthew:

First Holy Communion Programme 2025: Preparatory Parents' sessions will take place on **Thursday 7th and Tuesday 12th November at 7pm** in the Church Hall. Parents are asked to attend both sessions which will be led by Fr Matthew. The programme will involve weekly term-time classes that will take place on **Saturdays from 4:45pm until 5:45pm**. Application forms will be made available after the conclusion of the parents' sessions. If you would be interested in assisting as a Catechist, please [get in touch](#) (training will be provided).

Youth Group for Year 6 children:
All children in Year 6 are now eligible to join our Youth Group **from Sunday 22nd September (4pm until 5:45pm)**. We will be attending our first **Archdiocesan Youth Day of the year on Saturday 28th September**. Youth Group involves input on the faith, games, crafts, food and we conclude by visiting Our Lady to ask for her prayers. Please encourage your child to come and be a part of our group in which they grow in their faith and friendship with one another. If you would be interested in assisting as an adult helper, please [get in touch](#).

Parents' Association

Dear Parents and Carers

Dates for your Diary

Friday 18th October
Autumnal Cake Sale and Cake Competition on Friday 18th October, parents welcome from 2:45pm.



Friday 8th November
Sparky Discos

Friday 6th December
Christmas Tree Sales and Deliveries

Saturday 7th December
Christmas Fair

After School Activity Clubs

As we approach the end of the first half term please make note of the last activity club for your child:

Monday Clubs 7th October

Tuesday Clubs 8th October

Wednesday Clubs 9th October

Thursday Clubs 10th October
(*Thursday's Street Dance session 10th Oct has been postponed to 12th Dec*)

Friday Gym Club 11th October

Friday Football Club 18th October

All clubs will recommence after the half term holiday from Monday 4th October.

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