



From the Headteachers

Welcome Back

We hope you and your family had an enjoyable half-term break. We welcomed children back to school from half-term this week and we have all settled back into school routines and procedures. Today the children had a 'Dressing Up Day' on behalf of the Parents' Association and we thank you all for supporting school events as always. Next week we will be conducting a Remembrance Service with a small number of Year 6 children in the main hall which will be viewed by the rest of the school community in classrooms on Wednesday.

Parking

We ask you to be considerate of others when parking near or on the surrounding roads around school. Please keep clear of the yellow zigzag lines on all roads and avoid doing three-point turns – it is much easier and safer for the children if you drive around the block. There are now traffic wardens outside school, and we ask everyone to be respectful of each other and not get into altercations with other parents over parking.

COVID-19

As I am sure you are aware there have been several government announcements and updates this week with England entering a national lockdown as of yesterday Thursday 5th November.

Please note that whilst we are currently in a national lockdown, this does not currently affect the running of schools which continue to remain open. We therefore would expect children to attend school unless instructed otherwise.

Clinically extremely vulnerable people in England have received further guidance on keeping safe. The new advice details further precautions those in this group can take on top of the tougher national measures being introduced, as cases continue to rise across the country. Everyone not considered to be clinically extremely vulnerable will be expected to follow the new restrictions, such as staying at home unless shopping for food or exercising and restricting meeting up with people outside of the household.

As evidence has shown there is a very low risk of children becoming very unwell from COVID-19, most children originally on the shielded patient list, now no longer need to be shielding and therefore can attend school. If you are unsure, parents should contact their child's GP or hospital clinician. If a GP or clinician has advised that a child should remain on the shielded patient list, they are advised not to attend school.

Announcements

Primary School Transfer

If your child was born between 01/09/2016 and 31/08/2017 your child should be starting primary school in September 2021. Nursery parents need to apply online through your home borough for your child's primary school place. This is known as a common application form. Please ensure you complete this by midnight Friday 15th January 2021. If you apply after this date the likelihood of gaining a place at your preferred school may be significantly reduced therefore, apply online and apply on time.

Message from Parents' Association -Calling one calling all!

There will be a PA Meeting on **Thursday 12th November 2020 at 7pm.**

Given the current restrictions, the meeting will be held virtually via zoom. Please let us know if you want to attend by emailing yashoda66@hotmail.com, so that we can send a zoom link to you. Given the virtual nature of the meeting, there may be a need to restrict numbers, but meeting minutes will be generated and posted on the PA section of the school website so that you can kept informed about what was discussed.

Outstanding Balances

Please ensure that your Parentpay account is kept up to date. If your circumstances have changed recently and you think you may be entitled to free school meals for your child (Years 3-6) please collect an application form from the school office.

Music fees for the Autumn Term 2 are now available to pay on your Parentpay account. If your child is sitting a music exam in December, the fee is also available to pay on Parentpay.

Merit Awards for the week ending 23rd Oct 2020

Nursery P/T	Aurelio S
Nursery F/T	Felicity V
Class 1	Aidan McE L
Class 2	Freddie McE
Class 3	Daisy R
Class 4	Sofia L G
Class 5	Rafferty R P
Class 6	Lyvann G B
Class 7	Florian D
Class 8	Barney M
Class 9	Thomas W
Class 10	Lionel R M
Class 11	Javuaighna W
Class 12	Oistin B K
Class 13	Nathan K
Class 14	Byron B

Attendance

CLASS	%
1	100
2	100
4	100
5	100
6	100
7	100
8	100
9	100
11	100
13	100
10	98.1
14	96.7
12	96.3
N	95.7
3	95.2

Congratulations to Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, on their 100% attendance.

Parents' Zone

Cancer Research UK

With so many charities missing out on their fundraising events this year, one of CC parents wanted to do something to help. Through her business, SARAH.K, a fundraising campaign has been launched to try and raise £10,000 for breast cancer research at Cancer Research UK.

Along with 9 other female owned small businesses (hence the name '10 for 10') they have all donated incredible prizes towards a free prize draw into which people are automatically entered when they make a donation (prizes worth over £2,000 in total). Over £12,000 has been raised already, amazing!

The link to their our fundraising page is:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/10for10k>

Thank you for your support.

Bon Vélo Bicycles in Herne Hill and West Norwood

Will donate 5% of any scooter and accessories purchases during lockdown to our school.

Just tell staff you are from Corpus Christi. Tell grandmas and uncles to name the school too!

Kinder La La Toys

We will donate 2% of all sales to Corpus Christi parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles.

Our online shop is open for delivery or click and collect Saturdays from 10am to 2pm.

kinder-la-la.myshopify.com

Email us with special wishes and we will try to fulfil them.

Do not forget to mention you are from Corpus Christi!

Saturday Performing Arts Club

It is with great sadness that due to the national lockdown the Saturday Club will be postponed until lockdown is over. Miss Hannah has contacted all parents involved informing them of any alternative arrangements to make up for the lost Saturdays.

A new advert will be published for the Sprig Term Saturday Club involving the same two bubbles (EYFS & KS1) however, a third bubble for Juniors could take place on Saturday afternoons depending on demand, more information to follow.

Parents' Association

"Sparkly Dress-Up Day"

Thank you for your donations today which will help the Parents' Association support the funding of leaning devices for children both in school and at home. Total raised £369.00 well done and thank you again.



Fund raising for the school has and will be very reduced this year and possibly into next year. One of our biggest fund raisers was our Christmas Fair which we will miss so much with the exciting lead up and the preparations so many parents dedicate their time too. The busy and joyous day will also be missed

One way you can help is to order your Christmas tree from school. 'The Christmas Trees for Schools' has been a very successful fundraiser which has been running for many years now and will be one way of providing funds for the Parents' Association.

Attached to the newsletter is more information about the scheme and how to order your tree. A delivery service is available at the cost of £5.00 and we are very grateful to our CC parents who are volunteering their time and transport to offer this service.

Orders can be placed through our School Uniform Shop

www.corpuschristischool.co.uk/our-school/uniform



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