

FROM THE CO-HEADTEACHERS

Carol Service

Our Carol Service on Monday evening led by the school choir was a wonderful success. The children performed magnificently and shared with the congregation an evening of carols and readings. Children from Year 3 created a moving tableau during the service; the school orchestra also performed. We were delighted to see the steel pans incorporated also. We would like to thank Miss Brown, Mrs Smart, Mrs Cole and Miss Thomas for preparing this annual event. Thank you to the Parents Association also for organising the mulled wine and mince pies which were enjoyed afterwards. We also thank the school choir for all their Christmas performances over the last few weeks and all our parents who attended our Christmas craft morning today. Congratulations also to this year's McGavin Cup for Music winner. This is awarded each year during our annual Christmas Carol Service to a child who has shown exceptional music achievement and commitment to learning through practice and performance.

Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day

Children and staff enjoyed a lovely Christmas dinner yesterday and we would like to thank all our catering staff for working so hard every day and providing our children with delicious lunches.

The children's donations yesterday for Christmas Jumper Day for The British Red Cross raised £317, thank you all very much.

FRI 20TH DECEMBER 2024 ISSUE 15 DIARY DATES

Mon	INSET DAY
6th Jan	School Closed to
2025	Children
Tues	Spring Term - Children
7th Jan	Return to School
Thurs	Swimming Lessons
9th Jan	Commence for Class 7
Mon	After School Activities
13th	for the Spring Term
Jan	commence this week





CHILD OF THE WEEK FOR THE WEEK ENDING 13TH DECEMBER 2024

Anayah M G
Cillian F
Lynzie M
Cassius P J
Jennifer K
Estella W-F
Camilla D C
Eldora E
Niamh G
Clio H
Eleanor Y
Elma E
Aron D
Federico V
Niyah-Rae L

ATTENDANCE MON 16TH DEC - FRI 20TH DEC 2024

CLASS	%	
9	100	
10	100	
6	98.1	
11	97.8	
4	97.6	
8	96.9	
5	96.2	
12	96.1	
14	94.9	
N	93.0	
7	92.7	
2	92.2	
3	91.6	
13	91.1	
1	89.6	

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

WELLEINGNEWS

Smartphones after Christmas

With the support of parents, we have made the decision to be a smartphone free school. This is to protect our children from online harm and to keep their childhoods as technology free as possible. Please take a moment to read the attached flyer from the National College Wellbeing Wednesday Group about social media and how to protect your child.

Over the Christmas period please do encourage your children to join Lambeth Libraries and be part of the <u>Winter Mini Challenge</u>, a free online digital challenge encouraging children between the ages of 4 to 11 years to keep up their reading habits over the winter months. Participants just sign up online to take part. Children read three or more books of their own choice and add them to their Challenge website profile. Reaching their online reading goal will unlock a limited-edition virtual badge and a special Winter Mini Challenge certificate to print off and keep. There are videos, fun games and activities children can play when they join the online Challenge. The challenge runs from 1 December 2024 to 20 February 2025

And finally, We wish you all a very restful, happy and holy Christmas over the holiday time. Please do take time over the busy Christmas period to look after yourselves as well as family, friends and everyone else. Wellbeing comes in many forms, it might be a walk in the park or curling up with a hot drink and a good book - and don't forget that modelling self care behaviours for our children is just as important as taking a little time for ourselves.

Wednesday Open Mornings

As always if you have any concerns about child's or your family's wellbeing, please contact Mrs Smart, our senior mental health lead, ksmart@corpus-christi.org.uk if you would like further information or a chat or come along to our wellbeing Wednesday Open Morning 9:00am - 10:30am.

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

PARENTS' ZONE

Attendance

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 for lifelong learning in line with our school values and ethos.

In January we will be presenting 100% attendance badges to children from Reception to Year 6 who have been in school every day throughout the Autumn Term. This is part of our rewards system which acknowledges the efforts of pupils to improve their attendance. If parents are to maximise their children's attendance, then every effort should be made to arrange routine dentists and GP appointments outside school hours. Also, it is important that children do not take holidays during term time. Always check our school term dates and plan holidays outside of these dates.

A reminder that the school day begins at 08:50am. The school gates are open at 08:40am and children make their way into their classrooms. The gates are closed promptly at 08:50am when the bell sounds.

Reception Place 2025

You can now apply online for your child's Reception place in Primary School for the term
September 2025.
If you are a resident in

If you are a resident in
Lambeth please follow this link
to complete the e-admission
online form. If you live outside
the borough, please contact
your local council.

The e-admission must be completed by WEDNESDAY 15th JANUARY 2025.

After School Activities Spring Term 2025

After school activity clubs start again week commencing Monday 13th January for 5 weeks and then again after February half term week commencing Monday 24th February for 5 weeks. Providing no sessions are missed during this 10 week period, the last club will be Friday 28th March. Please make a note of these dates so that children are collected on time when there are no clubs taking place.

Childcare Available

Sarah is available for childcare Mon - Fri morning 7am - 9am term time, can be flexible in holidays should you need an extra help, nursery/school drop off local to Brixton Hill. Ten years experience with childcare and after school nanny. References provided, please contact Sarah:07487 805045 to discuss further, available to start January 2025.

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Parents' Association wish you all a very happy Christmas and best wishes for 2025.

We would also like to say a very big thank you to all our parents who have helped at events over the past term and to all our friends and families who have supported the school by attending these events.

We look forward to your support next year.



Merry Christmas from The CC Friday Running Club.

If you fancy joining in the new year, we meet outside school each Friday.