



**CORPUS CHRISTI
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

Welcome to Corpus Christi!

Reception New Entrants Information Meeting

Wednesday 22nd June 2022



Our mission statement

Corpus Christi Catholic School is a welcoming, vibrant and diverse community with the Christian values of respect, equality and love for all at its core.

We aim to nurture, motivate, educate and to inspire all children to become lifelong learners and to achieve the best that they can.

Following the example of Jesus, we uphold our school motto:
To Learn, To Live, To Love.

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Dates and times for your diary

Starting date: Monday 12th September 2022.

For the first 3 days, the children will be part time.

From Thursday 15th September 2022, children can start school full time.

If you feel your child is not ready to start full-time, we may be able to offer some flexibility over this. If we do not hear from you, we will assume that your child will start full time on

Thursday 15th September 2022

Drop off and collection

8:40am - 8:50am: School starts. Please bring your child to the large black gates on Horsford Road.

3:15pm : School finishes. Please be patient whilst we release your child to you at the end of the school day. Collection is from the green playground (accessed through the gates on Horsford Road). The gates will be open for parents at 3:05pm.

Please ensure that your child is collected and dropped off promptly.



Reception staff



Mrs L Powell
Class 1 Teacher
EYFS Phase Leader



Miss M Loh
Class 2 Teacher



Mrs S. Richter-Wolszczak
Student Teacher



Mrs B Sheehan
Teaching Assistant



Mrs R Donlon
Teaching Assistant



Ms Khadija
Teaching Assistant

Uniform: Winter

- Navy school coat
- Mid blue blouse/shirt
- School tie
- School jumper
- Navy blue blazer with school badge
- Black/navy shoes (with child friendly fastenings – no laces please)



Girls

- Navy blue pinafore or skirt
- White socks/navy blue tights
- Felt hat

Boys

- Grey trouser
- School socks
- School cap

You won't need to purchase your child's book bag.



Uniform: Summer

Girls:

- Light blue and white summer dress
- straw hat
- white/navy socks only (no tights)

Boys:

- Grey shorts
- Grey socks



Both:

- A sun hat in the colour of their house (which is on the packs).



Other uniform items...

PE Kits:

Please send your child in their PE kit on Thursday.

- Your child will not need to wear their hats or blazers on this day (unless they are using their blazers as their coat).
- All items of PE kit should be clearly named.



The PE kit includes:

- Corpus Christi white t-shirt
- Corpus Christi navy shorts
- Navy tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirt
- Navy shorts

Children can wear trainers (any colour)



Uniform requirements

You can purchase your child's school uniform online at home through the school website.

Some items can be purchased from High Street stores.

PLEASE!

- Label all items
- Sensible haircut, hair style and hair accessories
- No jewellery please
(plain round studs in silver/gold are fine)



Parent Involvement in school life! (Whole School)

Our aim is to involve parents as much as possible through:

- **Weekly school newsletter** – posted on the school website every Friday and emailed
- **School website /Twitter/Instagram** – www.corpuschristischool.co.uk
[@CCBrixton](https://twitter.com/CCBrixton) [@corpus_christi_Brixton](https://www.instagram.com/corpus_christi_Brixton)
- **Email/Group Messaging**
- **Termly Parents Evening** – a formal opportunity to discuss your child's progress with the teacher.
- **End of year report** – parents receive this towards the end of the summer term. You can arrange a meeting to discuss it with your child's teacher if necessary.

Parent Involvement in school life! (Reception)

Our aim is to involve parents as much as possible through:

- **Reception newsletters** – sent home every term with information about topics and activities taking place.
- [Reception Google page](#)
- **Helping on Reception trips/Craft day** – we take the children on lots of outings and are always grateful for adult support!
- **A Day in Early Years** - a chance for you to come and visit!

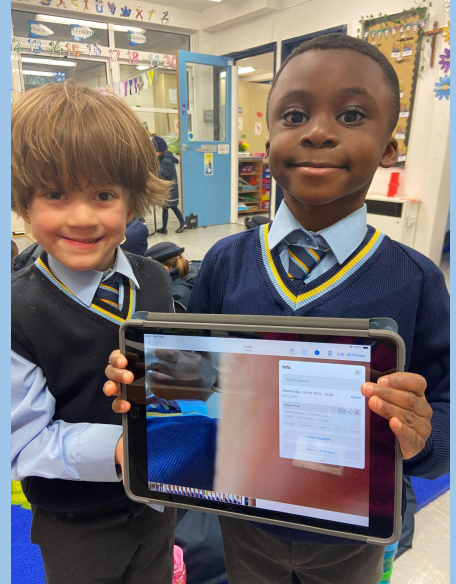
EYFS Curriculum

The children will follow the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum.

Most of the curriculum is taught through play.

This is divided into 7 areas:

- **Communication and Language**
- **Literacy**
- **Mathematics**
- **Understanding of the World**
- **Expressive Arts and Design**
- **Physical Development**
- **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**
- The children also follow a Religious Education programme 'Come and See'.



Music

- Reception will be part of the Strings Programme which is being led by Royal Academy of Music!
- They will have a weekly lesson which focuses on pitch, key and rhythm for the first year.
- In Year 1 they will begin playing a violin or cello
- Parents are warmly invited to concerts throughout the year!



What does a day look like in Reception?

- Carpet Time
- Free choice Activities
- Playtimes
- Phonics
- Outdoor Play
- Circle Time
- Music
- Library
- Assemblies
- Natural Thinkers
- PE
- Ballet
- Trips and visitors
- Nativity



Lunches!

- Children should bring a named water bottle daily.
- Free fruit is provided at break time



- All children have school lunches which are cooked on site.
- Children eat in the school hall with their friends
- Staff are on hand to support them and help them to make choices.
- There is a good choice each day and we are able to cater for children with allergies and intolerance.

Preparing for Reception!

- Talk lots
- Sing songs
- Read to them
- Encourage your child to answer questions confidently
- Count things like stairs, jumps, sweets etc.
- Encourage imaginative play
- Visit interesting places that bring about new language
- Be excited, not anxious about their first day and talk about what will happen regularly
- Recognise and write their own name
- Show them pictures of you starting school!
- Take the journey to school in the summer holidays.
- There are lots of books you could read to them to like: 'Starting School' by Janet and Alan Ahlberg; 'Topsy and Tim Start School' by Jean and Gareth Adamson.



Self Care Skills

Please help your child to:

- Dress and undress independently, including shoes
- Practise zips and buttons
- Use the toilet independently
- Feed themselves independently and use cutlery



General Information!

- Reading and homework
- Snacks/Meals: menus on website
- Child of the Week
- Mood Meter/Class Charter (Emotional Intelligence)
- After school club and breakfast club
- Birthdays/Class Lists (GDPR)
- No toys brought into school please



General Information!

- Speaking to Staff – Drop-off and Pick-up/meetings for 10 minutes before school
- Day in Early Years – Staff will explain Guided Reading which also begins after half-term
- What to ask the office: medicine/attendance/finances
- **Label Everything!!!!**

