



# Life at Corpus Christi



We live our lives like Jesus

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Dear Parents and Carers

Our global awareness day on Monday focused on homelessness. Children thought about what it meant to be homeless, challenged stereotypes, said prayers and linked ideas to our mission statement. Please check the 'Events' page of our website for photos of the day. Looking for something to do during the half term holiday? Why not enter the 500 words competition for BBC Radio 2, details are attached to this newsletter. I hope you are all able to enjoy a happy and safe half term and I look forward to seeing you all on your return on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

## CROSSING PATROL

Please can you support Mr Ainsley in keeping our children safe on their way to and from school by following the Highway Code when parking. Mr Ainsley will ask you to move if you are parking illegally to protect our children and enable them to cross the road safely. Many thanks for your support with this matter.

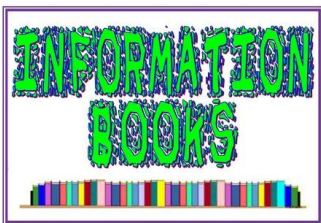


## NUT FREE SCHOOL

Can I remind you, that our aim is to have a nut-free school and we respectfully ask you not give your children nut-based foods in their lunch boxes. We are seeing a few products such as peanut butter and Nutella in sandwiches. Please can you help us protect children with allergies by being vigilant when packing your child's food. Many thanks for your co-operation.

## What learning is happening after half term?

### YEAR R



Next half term the children will return to find an exciting new addition in the classroom. To find out more we will be looking at information books and using these to help us become experts in our new topic. In maths we will be learning to estimate an amount before counting to check the correct number. In phonics we will be recapping and assessing what the children know ready to move on to new learning. In our literacy learning we will be writing some facts about our new topic. We thank you for your continued support and to the children for their hard work.

### YEAR 1/2

This half term the children have been working hard to learn their multiplication facts for their 2, 5 and 10 times tables. It would be beneficial if the children continue to practise these over the half term so they are fully embedded, ready for the first week back as we will be applying our multiplication facts to learn our division facts.

On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February, some of our children will be taking part in the Infant Music Festival at Stamshaw Infant School, alongside many other primary schools in Portsmouth. Our children have been so determined this week to learn all their six songs, they are sounding amazing! We would like them to continue practising over the half term; therefore, we have added the lyrics and songs to our website. Please look under the year 1 and 2 tab to find the appropriate links.

Please can I remind all parents that our children should be read with at least three times a week and for the dates to be recorded in their reading diaries. Thank you.

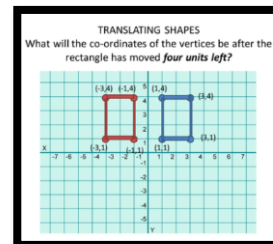


### YEAR 3/4

After half term we will be continuing our topic of China. On the first day back, we will be celebrating Chinese new year with a variety of fun activities. This will then be used to inspire our writing of information texts using a range of subordinating conjunctions (although, however, if, even though, therefore). In maths, we will be continuing to learn about fractions and will be adding and subtracting fractions of the same denominator. In creative curriculum we will be learning about Mountains and focusing on Mount Everest.

### YEAR 5/6

After half term we will be continuing our focus on shape and space: translation, reflection and coordinates in all four quadrants. In writing children will be writing a persuasion text. They will debate whether Camp Green Lake does reform the characters or actually does more harm than good. In grammar children will revisit prepositions.



### YEAR 5/6 ABLE WRITERS' DAY



On Monday, Mrs Cain was joined by Kit, Ingrid, Emily, Adrian, Amelia, Luke, Ethan J, Wiktoria, Melissa and Elsie at Copnor Primary School for a day learning from the established author, Matt Whyman.

The children were invited to meet the author and spend the day developing their journalistic writing skills. After fine-tuning their interviewing questions and techniques, Matt supported the children in writing news articles, giving them top industry tips and placing them in the shoes of established journalists. A great day was shared by all, and we look forward to supporting more events like these in future. Please see the 'Latest News' page on the website for photos and extracts of news articles!

### HEDGEHOG CLUB - A FUNDAY on INSET DAY (Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 9.30 – 3)

The school will be holding a staff training day on the above date and we are once again running our very popular Hedgehog Club for **Year 1 - Year 6**. This initiative is an important part of the school's commitment to help our parents combine their work and family responsibilities by offering quality childcare. Places limited please check bags for booking forms.



### DANCING

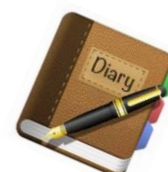


Last week some KS1 children visited the Mountbatten Centre to participate in the dance festival. They really enjoyed learning the dinosaur stomp. The next day some year 5/6 children, who have been attending an afterschool street dance club, performed their routine at the King's Theatre along with other schools. Friends and family enjoyed all the performances. Each school were awarded a trophy – we won "best execution of moves"

Best Class Attendance week commencing 29 January 2018
Mrs Bennett & Mrs Blowes 99.4%

Golden Book Entries	
Jaiden (Yr 3/4 AM)	Brilliant spelling! Congratulations on achieving 10 out of 10!
Marcus (Yr 6 FW)	For great punctuation and moving the action on quickly with great detail in his story
Esmé (Yr 4 AM)	For creative thinking when solving a tricky mathematical problem
Lucas (Yr 4 AM)	For creative thinking when solving a tricky mathematical problem.

DIARY DATES	
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 1.30 p.m.	Year 3 swimming
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2.45 p.m.	Year R CO Assembly
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Inset Day



Kind regards  
Juliette Kelly  
Head of School

Brenda Schouler  
Executive Headteacher

### Reflective Thought

'Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.' Acts 16:14