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Life at Corpus Christi School

Dear Parents and Carers,

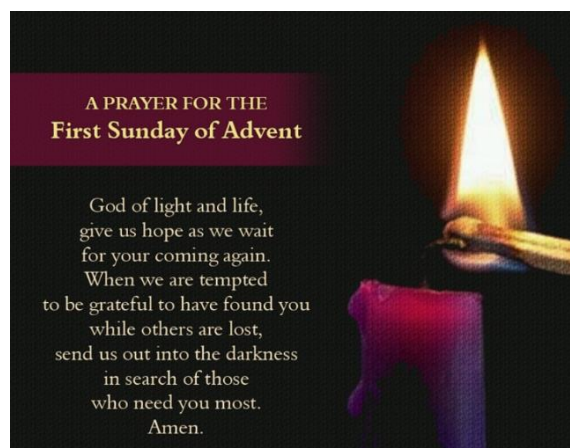
This Sunday will be the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is always a special time of year; a time to reflect and prepare for the coming of Jesus. Our Penitential services on Monday for our children will help us to answer the question; are we ready for him to arrive?

LITERACY IN A BOX

Thank you for all of your support for our charity appeal for Literacy in a Box. Thanks to your support and the hard work of Mrs Packer and the School Council, we have raised an amazing £512, meaning we can fund two literacy boxes for classes in Manila. Our congratulations to our winners of our raffle: Teyona, Julia, Kasper, Bella, Emilia, Jayden, Ethan, Delina and Miss Thorne.

ADVENT

Advent is a season in the Christian year that lasts for about four weeks. Sunday 3rd December, marks the First Sunday of Advent. The name "Advent" comes from the Latin word *adventus* which means "coming." It is a season of joy, and anticipation, of patiently waiting, watching and preparing for the coming of the King.



The Advent wreath is a circular garland of evergreen branches representing eternity. On that wreath are 3 purple, 1 pink and 1 white candle. This Sunday we will light the first purple candle.

What Learning is Happening Next Week?

YEAR R

This week we have a new visitor in our bear cave as one bear has gone on holiday. We have to investigate the clues to discover who is living inside the cave. In maths we will be continuing our learning on addition, practically combining sets to find the total. In phonics we are starting to use the sounds we know to read and write words, captions and sentences. Of course we are also busy preparing for our Nativity.

YEAR 1/2

In RE we are learning about Jesus performing miracles. This week we listened to the story of the feeding of the 5,000 and made beautiful collage fish. The children sequenced and retold the story. In English next week we will be looking at our text 'The Man on the Moon: a day in the life of Bob' by Simon Bartram which is perfect for our aspiring astronauts!

YEAR 3/4

Next week in English we will be writing the final part of our George's Marvellous Medicine narrative including subordinating conjunctions – e.g **when, while, if, though** and **before**. In maths we will be using our tables that we have learnt this week and applying them to the formal written method for multiplication.

YEAR 5/6

Next week children will be learning to multiply and divide whole numbers and decimals by 10,100 and 1000. They will then use this learning later in the week when they move on to learning about percentages. In reading children will revisit their inference skills as we continue with our book 'Goodnight Mister Tom.' In writing there will be a grammar focus on different sentence structures. Children will practise manipulating

sentence structures and will be spotting and rectifying mistakes. When reading with your child this week it would be helpful to try and identify main and subordinate clauses within texts.

SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to the netball team for qualifying, unbeaten, in the Portsmouth schools final. Well done to the football team for finishing runners up in division 2. Thank you all for your participation and support.

COFFEE AND MUFFIN

Come along on Friday 8th December from 8.40 a.m. – 9.10 a.m. to find out how you can support our school. Please let the office know if you can attend.

KS2 MUSIC PERFORMANCE

We are delighted to inform you that on Friday 8th December at 9:15am the Key Stage 2 children will be presenting a music performance, showcasing various skills, pieces and songs learnt in music this term. The Performance will start at 9:15 so audience members are encouraged to arrive 9:10am ready to be seated in the hall, the Performance will last approximately 30 minutes. In this performance Year 3/4 are playing songs on their recorders as well as singing a variety of songs which show their progression across this term, year 5/6 are performing An African percussion and vocal piece. We also have Key stage 2 vocal performance as a whole key stage singing a Christmas song in three parts. As well as this the Key stage two choir will be singing some of the songs they have learnt this term.

CHANGE OF LUNCH MENU – WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER

Red - Fish and chips
Green - Cheese and onion pasty and chips
Yellow - Jacket potato with baked beans
Desserts: Lemon drizzle cake, fruit or yogurt

Best Class Attendance week commencing 20th November 2017
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Miss Offin 99.1%

Golden Book Entries	
Marlia, Jack and Adrian (Yr R)	Fantastic sentence writing about Little Bear
Albert (Yr 2 CP)	For writing an exclamation sentence on his own
Olivia (Yr 1 CP)	For writing her story about what happened in the middle of 'Man in the Moon'
Ethan (Yr 6 SG)	For a powerful narrative about Rose and the concentration camp
Kacper (Yr 6 SG)	For a powerful narrative creating build-up and suspense
Christine (Yr 2 LJ)	For answering inference questions giving detailed answers.
Lola (Yr 6 SG)	For powerful description within your narrative writing. Great sense of atmosphere.

Diary Dates – Please see website for further details	
Monday 4 th Dec	Penitential Services
Wednesday 6 th Dec 3-5 p.m.	KS2 Film Club (fundraiser)
Thursday 7 th Dec 2.45 p.m.	Assembly Yr 3/4 SF
Friday 8 th Dec 8.40 – 9.10am	Coffee & Muffin
Friday 8 th Dec 9.15 a.m.	KS2 music performance to parents
Thursday 14 th Dec 1.30 p.m.	Grandparents tea party

Thank you,

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