



Life at Corpus Christi



We live our lives like Jesus

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Dear Parents and Carers

On Tuesday, our very powerful and reflective, Lenten Penitential Service took place. We were joined by local priests and, of course, our own Father Claro. The children were given the opportunity to reflect on the meaning of repentance. They learnt that it is more than saying sorry – it is about changing our relationship with God and becoming closer to Him. As we move towards the End of our Spring term (I can hardly believe it!), we have a number of events that parents and our wider community are welcome to join us for. These include our KS1 and KS2 Music performances next week and our Lenten liturgies that will take place every day during Holy Week at school. Please see the Spring term memo accompanying this week's newsletter with dates and times for all of these events. I look forward to seeing you there.



PARENT QUESTIONNAIRES



Thank you for taking the time to complete the parent questionnaires that were issued at the parent consultation meetings on Monday. So far, we have had 79 out of a possible 240 replies, it is not too late to have your say. Hearing from our parents is a vital part of our self-review as a school. It is always very encouraging to receive comments such as 'great teachers', 'the school has a lovely sense of community', 'inclusion of all pupils within the school' and 'carry on what you are doing so well'. Our wrap around care also received a lot of praise. It is important to find out

ways that we can improve; communication is very important and where some parents felt that this was very strong, others felt it could be improved. How we structure and provide homework was also an area for us to review. As we move towards the summer term we will review our practices and see how we can build upon your suggestions to continue to strive to ensure that Corpus Christi is an 'outstanding' school for everyone.

What learning is happening next week?

YEAR R



Next week we will be continuing our mini beast topic in literacy by writing invitations to our Brilliant Bug Ball which we will be having on Friday afternoon. In maths the children will be learning about the value of different coins and some children will learn to add coins to a given amount. In phonics we will be continuing our revision of phase 3 with the diagraphs: **oa**, **oo**, **ar** and **or**. We hope you have all managed to access your child's learning journey on Tapestry, if you have not been able to do this please see Miss Hudson or Miss Offin and we will help you set this up.

YEAR 1/2

In Yr 2 our children have been reading a book by Carol Anne Duffy called 'The Tear Thief', which they love. Each day we have been revealing more and more of the story to capture their imagination. Next week we will be using this text to practise our inference skills, focusing on the characters' feelings and actions. When reading at home you can also practise these inference skills with your child by asking questions such as 'How is the character feeling in this part of the story?' "Why are they feeling that way?" "Can you comment on the actions of the character?" "Explain why the character is acting this way." **Please note, children should be heard to read at least three times a week at home.**



Just a reminder about the music festival on Kings Theatre on 20th March. Thirty children have been chosen to represent the school where they will have another opportunity to sing the songs they have been practising for the Infant Music Festival. Teachers are excited to see you there.



YEAR 3/4

Next week children will have the chance to show off everything they have learnt in their spring term assessments for Mathematics and English. In addition to this, the children will be continuing their work on time (in maths) and solving problems using the skills that they have developed. In science, we are going to be looking at human impact on the environments and how this affects wildlife, focusing on the panda species in China and thinking about how their habitat is changing.

YEAR 5/6

Next week, in Mathematics, we will be doing rounding and algebra. Pupils in both year 5 and 6 will be sitting a range of assessments to monitor their progress this term. In writing next week children will revisit their use of dialogue to convey character. Children will revise how speech should be punctuated including adding additional clauses. In reading children will use the short picture book 'The Island' to make inferences supporting their answers with evidence. The year 5 children will also be using their learning in science to create a persuasive text where they will argue whether solar energy is always the better option.



SCHOOL NURSE SERVICE

If you would like support or advice on your child's health needs, you are able to make an appointment with the school nurse on TUESDAY 20TH MARCH between 9AM – 10.30AM. If you would like to make an appointment, please contact the school office. This will be a monthly event, enabling our parents to have confidential discussions with a nurse practitioner so please do take up this opportunity.

HAIRSTYLES

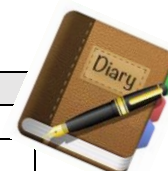
This week I have noticed a few haircuts that are not in line with our school uniform policy. Please remember that boys hair should be no shorter than a grade 2 and that girls should have their hair tied back away from their faces. You will receive a uniform letter if your child's uniform, footwear or hairstyle is not in line with our policy.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that our uniform is worn with pride.

Best Class Attendance week commencing 5 th March 2018
Mrs Jones & Miss Offin 100%

Golden Book Entries	
Kacper C (Y6 SG)	For writing a persuasive letter which reflected our Catholic beliefs.
Dylan M (Y6 SG)	For using rhetorical questions and emotive language to persuade others within a letter
Lola H (Y6 SG)	For using emotive language and factual information to create a persuasive letter

DIARY DATES	
Tuesday 20 th March 1.30 p.m.	Year 3 swimming
Wednesday 21 st March 2.40 p.m.	Year 3/4 Liturgy with parents
Weds, Thurs and Fri 21 st to 23 rd March 3.15 p.m.	Travelling book fair
Thursday 22 nd March 9.15 a.m.	KS1 Music Performance in Church
Friday 23 rd March 9.15 a.m.	KS2 Music Performance in Church
Friday 23 rd March 2.40 p.m.	Celebration Assembly



Kind regards

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Penitential Reflection



“Through repentance we can be cleansed of our sins” Isaiah 1:18