



Life at Corpus Christi



We live our lives like Jesus

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Dear Parents and Carers

This week Corpus Christi has been taking part in the city wide event, **Teach Portsmouth Week**. Volunteering pupils were given the opportunity to plan, resource and deliver; a Whole School Liturgy, maths lessons, Hymn Practice and our Celebration Assembly.

The focus of this week was to empower pupils to take a lead in their learning as well as developing their Corpus Christi Characteristics; confidence, collaboration, challenge, creativity, curiosity and critical thinking. The pupils have been fantastic; it has been a unique week but once again our children should be very proud of themselves.

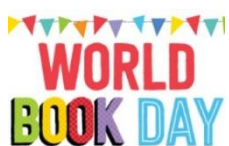
This is what some of them had to say:-

"We taught the year 1 and 2's the two times table. We warmed their brains up with a fun song, spoke about the word multiple, played a fun matching gaming that we made ourselves and then finished with another song. We were so impressed that some of the children recognised that all multiples of the two times tables are even numbers!" **Cheska 5/6**

"Even though I wasn't leading the lesson I worked supporting the children. This was just as important as I guided them through their work and helped them out when they went wrong." **Lenny 5/6**

Please visit the Events page of our school website to view photos from the week and read more views from our pupils.

WORLD BOOK DAY – THURSDAY 1ST MARCH

 Next Thursday is World Book Day. We would like to celebrate the joy of books and reading on this special occasion by asking children to dress up as their favourite book character. Children will need to bring the book that their chosen character is from to share through the day. On Thursday the children will be given £1 WBD tokens to buy a selected book. Please check your child's bag for their token. Please check out the posters around the school which advertise the free books your child could buy. From previous years we know how much children have adored World Book Day, so thank you in advance for your support in organising costumes.

What learning is happening next week?

YEAR R

This week have had great fun exploring our new topic of Minibeasts. Next week in literacy we will begin to create our own class fact book using information we have found in books and through exploring the environment. In maths we will be learning to double using a range of different resources including printing matching spots on Ladybirds and creating our own number sentences. This week we have been assessing the children's phonic knowledge and next week we will be regrouping based on this, more information will follow next week.



YEAR 1/2

This week in English we have been using a video to inspire our writing. You can watch this video with your child by heading to the Literacy Shed and searching for Ride of Passage. Our children have discussed whether the main character, Toki, made the right choice or the wrong choice. They have been using their question and command sentence to write a dialogue between the elders and Toki. Next week we will be extending this to write a



narrative giving the children the choice to write from the perspective of Toki or the chameleon. I wonder who they will choose?

YEAR 3/4

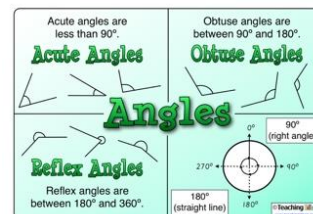


Next week, we will be continuing our learning in maths by concentrating on adding and subtracting fractions. In English, we will be continuing to write non-fiction texts based around our topic of China, making sure we use conjunctions and organisational features such as sub-headings. We also can't wait to celebrate World Book Day on Thursday and share our favourite stories and characters with each other!

YEAR 5/6

Next week in maths we are focusing on angles. Children will be learning the difference between acute, obtuse, right angles and reflex angles. They will estimate and compare angles. Children will then use protractor to measure and draw angles. Children will then use known facts to calculate missing angles on lines, triangles and in quadrilaterals.

In reading we will be starting our new class book "The Wolves of Willoughby Chase; by Joan Aiken. The children will be evaluating the effect of the author's language on the reader and identify which language contributes to meaning. In grammar we will revisit coordinating and subordinating conjunctions where children will complete a range of activities applying their knowledge including test style questions.



YEAR 3/4 BIG CHARITY BAKE SALE

At the beginning of February, the children spent time investigating the issue of homelessness in our city. They were so touched by the impact it is having on our local area that they were compelled to take action. They organised a cake sale and would like to say a huge **thank you** to everyone that either donated or purchased cakes on the last Friday before half term. Together we raised £66.60 which will be donated to Life House Support Centre and Kitchen in Southsea.



HEDGEHOG CLUB - A FUNDAY on INSET DAY (Monday 12th 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.

Best Class Attendance week commencing 05 February 2018
Mrs Greenhalgh 98.6%

Golden Book Entries	
Lenny (Yr 6 FW)	For analysing a text and selecting powerful examples of language to be used in his work
Sarah (Yr R Ladybird)	For independent writing about minibeasts

DIARY DATES	
Tuesday 27 th February 1.30 p.m.	Year 3 Swimming
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day
Thursday 1 st March 2.40 p.m.	KS1 Liturgy
Monday 12 th March	Inset Day



Kind regards

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Reflective Thought

Lent is a time of reflection for many Christians, as they look back on and celebrate the death and resurrection of Christ. They mark this event by praying, fasting, both from food and festivities, confessing their failings and making sacrifices for the good of others.

Ash Wednesday is the start of Lent, which is a day of penitence or cleansing of the soul and will end on Friday which is the day Jesus was crucified and died on the cross.

