



Life at Corpus Christi

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

'We live our lives like Jesus'

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Dear Parents,

We were very sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Sibanda one of our Teaching Assistant's last week. Mrs Sibanda has gone to work in another local school where she already covers the after school club each day. We will all miss her very smiley face!

We have said goodbye to Mrs Potter and Mrs Barry, two of our lunchtime staff who have both worked here for many years. We would however, like to welcome Mrs Winkworth, Miss West, Miss Khan and Mrs Gesicka to our lunch time team. They have all settled in really well and are enjoying being with the children!

Good Shepherd

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| St Peter | Mateusz | St John | Bianca |
| St Paul | Daniel | St James | Ruby |
| St Therese | Jamie | St Pio | Riley |
| St Clare | Jacob | St Edith Stein | Joe |
| St Francis | Daniel | St Maximillian Koble | Esme |
| St Bernadette | Bruno | | |

Best class attendance

Congratulations to St Pio class who achieved 100%
Well done!

Golden Book

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| Nathan, St Therese | Excellent phonic knowledge |
| Jamie, St Therese | For super learning all about shapes |
| Albert, St James | For excellent independent work in Maths |
| Aiden, St Bernadette | For great choice of vocabulary in his BFG writing! |
| Katherine, St Bernadette | For excellent use of direct speech, not a 'said' in sight! |
| Jasmin, St Francis | For wonderful clear writing! |
| Julia H, Julia C, Rueben and Emilia, St Claire's | Switching lunches when asked and showing fantastic consideration for others. |
| Jamie, St Therese | An independent morning and great learning |
| Finley, St. Edith Stein | For amazing work in learning his division facts |
| Jaiden and Darcy, St Edith Stein | For excellent reasoning and investigation in Maths |
| Bailey, St Edith Stein | For a great persuasive text about Kingswood. |



SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

This week the children have been celebrating Anti-Bullying Week. In our assembly on Wednesday we considered how it might feel to be bullied and the role that we each play in making sure our school is free of bullies. In our classes our learning continued. We each made a promise to make our school a kinder place and to speak out if we saw any unkind treatment of others.

Finally, today all staff, children and families were invited to join us in wearing odd socks. This helped to remind us that each and every one of us is different and that we should share and celebrate what makes us special and unique.

YEAR R

RE: Children will be continuing unit of Prayers, Saints and Feasts. They will be exploring the story of the Wedding Feast of Cana and be thinking about who in Jesus' family loved and supported him.

English: In phonics the children will be starting new groups. Please check tapestry for the sounds your child has been learning. They will be focusing on the tricky words - to into. In our literacy time we will be reading the story of 'Goldilocks and the three bears.' They will be acting the story out and using our knowledge to write captions and simple sentences linked to the story.

Maths: Next week the children will be focusing on the skills of size - big, small and medium and linking to the story of 'Goldilocks'.



YEAR 3 / 4

RE: The children will be focusing on a Saint they might admire and what qualities they have. Using these qualities they will be discussing how they can live their lives now and when they are older

Maths: Year 3-4 are going to start focusing on learning there 6,7,8 and 9. The children will be learning to know the full number sentence for example $1 \times 7 = 7$, $5 \times 9 = 45$. It would be great if you could support your children at home by practising them in small bursts.

English: The children will look at using apostrophes correctly and when to use a or an. Then they will be writing our own character descriptions, focussing on using verbs to show emotions, varying nouns across sentences and using carefully chosen adjectives.



YEAR1/2

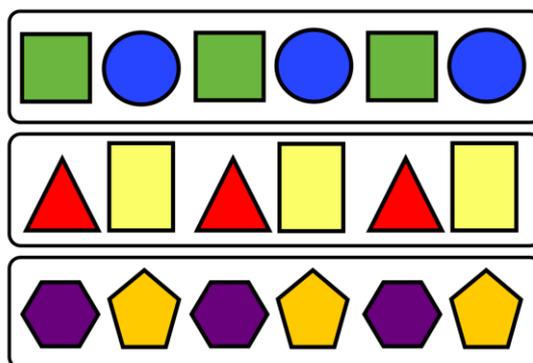
RE The children will be continuing to explore the unit Prayers, Saints and Feasts. They will be applying their learning from computing lessons and will be using online resources to research their class saint.

English: Children will focus on their core text; Stardust by Jeanne Willis. They will apply their knowledge and use of conjunctions (Year 1 - 'and', Year 2 - 'and', 'but', 'if', 'when', 'because') within sentences.

Phonics and spelling: Year 1 children will be revising all phonemes learnt so far and will be applying these in dictated sentences. In year 2 children will continue to spell and apply the common exception words and apply these within own writing as well as in dictated sentences.

Maths: In year 1, children will be investigating shape patterns.

In year 2 children will be continuing to learn about addition with regrouping



YEAR 5/6

RE we will learn about why Jesus healed others and the role of prayer within healing

In reading we will be continuing to develop our prediction skills, based on evidence from the text, based on Goodnight Mister Tom.

In writing we will use parenthesis (brackets, dashes and commas) to add additional information to sentences. In spelling we will be learning how to use the hyphen correctly.

Year 6 maths we will know and use the vocabulary of prime numbers, prime factors and composite (non-prime) numbers. We will then read, write, order and compare numbers with up to three decimal places
maths Y5 will be learning about multiples, factors and adding fractions with like and unlike denominators.



Please remember that winter PE kit is now needed and please can we also remind that all children should have a winter coat in school



REFLECTION

'They will shine forth and will be full of life like sparks in a fire.'
Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-7

This week our liturgy focused on the theme of remembrance. Children spent time in reflection and prayer to remember those that bravely fought in wars so that we could have freedom. They also reflected in classes on other people that they missed as part of the month of remembrance and shared this prayer:



Flu Mop Up sessions

If you wished your child to receive the flu nasal spray and they were absent from school, the school nurses are offering mop up sessions on the following dates, where you can take your children to receive the nasal spray.

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| Tuesday 3 December 3-4.30 pm @ Somerstown Family Hub, Omega Street, PO5 4LP |
| Tuesday 10 December 3-4.30 pm @ Paulsgrove Family Hub, Cheltenham Road, PO6 3LP |
| Monday 16 December 3-4.30pm @ Buckland Family Hub, Turner Road, PO1 4PN |

IMPORTANT CHRISTMAS DATES

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| Friday 6 December | Mince pies and hot chocolate morning – Christmas raffle to be drawn | Time tbc |
| Saturday 7 December | PTA Christmas Craft Morning Cost £2 | 9.30 – 1.00 pm |
| Monday 9 December | Grandparent's afternoon tea | Time tbc |
| Wednesday 11 December | Reception and KS1 Christmas Party (entertainer & Disco) £2 (sweets & drink included) | 3.00 – 4.30 pm |
| Friday 13 December | KS2 Christmas Disco's £2 (sweets & drink included) | Y3/4 3– 4.30pm Y 5/6 5 - 6.30pm |
| Friday 13 December | School Christmas lunch | |
| Tuesday 17 December | Early Years Nativity | 9.30 am |
| Wednesday 18 December | KS1 Nativity | 9.30 |
| Friday 20 December | KS2 Carol Service | 9.15 |

Can we please remind parents that orders for school photographs need to be returned to the school office by Friday 22 November

If you want to make an appointment for parents evening, you will need to book on line by Friday 15th November

Could we please remind parents that you should not be parking on the zig zag lines outside and to drive carefully around the school to help keep our children safe. Thank you



Kind regards

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Head of School

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Executive Headteacher