CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY UPDATE 16.10.26

Dear Families,

Children were excited to share what they were giving up for 'Treat-Free Friday' today. They thought about what it felt like to go without something they love and just how difficult this might be for longer than one day! We spent time in prayer and reflection today thinking about those less fortunate than ourselves. We are now collecting harvest donations, ready for harvest mass next Friday. Please make a contribution if you can!

Mrs Comerford

Mrs G Comerford, Headteacher

HARVEST APPEAL

This year we will again be supporting local charity: Buckland Soup Kitchen.

We are asking families to donate the following where they are able:

Year R, Year 1 and Year 2: Tins or food, packets of pasta and rice, packets of biscuits, teabags or coffee.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be making breakfast bags to be given out to the soup kitchen clients. They could donate: cereal bars, mini juice cartons, packs of individually wrapped croissants or pastries, breakfast biscuits













PE Days

children should come to school wearing their PE uniform

St Joseph and St Gabriel Class (Year R/1)	Thursday
St Lucy, St Francis and St Nicholas (Year 1/2)	Wednesday Thursday
St Josephine, St Carlo and St Oscar (Year 3/4)	Tuesday Thursday
St Maximillian, St Bernadette and St Therese (Year 5/6)	Monday Friday

USEFUL DATES

19.10.26 2027 New Starter Tours
22.10.26 Late Owl Autumn Doodling
(booking required via Arbor)
23.10.26 Harvest Mass at 2pm
26.10.26 Half term begins
03.11.26 Children return to school
05.11.26 2027 New Starter Tours

INSET DAYS

Monday 2nd November
Monday 15th March
Monday 21st June
Wednesday 21st July

FAMILY GOSPEL REFLECTION

Matthew 22:15–21,
"Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God."

This week, Jesus is asked a tricky question about paying taxes. His answer reminds us that while we have responsibilities in our daily lives, everything we are and everything we have ultimately comes from God.

As a family, take a moment to think about the gifts God has given each of you: your talents, kindness, time, and love. How can you offer these gifts back to God this week?

GOLDEN BOOK ENTRIES

Harry (Y4) for great listening skills.

Gwen (Y4) for amazing artwork!

Ahaan & Benjamin (Y1) for excellent effort in handwriting.

Akorede (Y3) for working hard to improve his handwriting

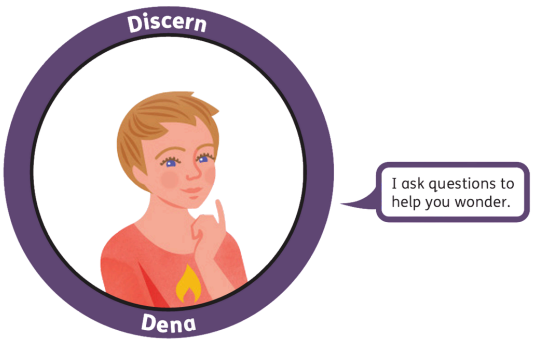
GOOD SHEPHERD AWARDS



For showing the value of stewardship:

St Joseph: Percy
St Gabriel: Esther
St Lucy: Eshal
St Nicholas: Sophie
St. Francis: Henry
St Oscar: Dominik
St Carlo: Nola
St Josephine: Daniel
St Bernadette: Andreas
St. Therese: Valentina
St Maximillian: George

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - OUR ANGELIC HELPERS



In our new RE lessons, the children have been introduced to three 'angelic helpers' who will guide them through their learning and spiritual development.

The last of these is Dena. Her questions prompt discussion, reflection, enquiry, and prayerful thinking. She models curiosity and respectful questioning.

Questions that Dena has asked this half term in our Creation and Covenant unit included:

Year R: Why do people pray?

Year 1/2: Why did Pope Francis call Earth our 'Common Home'?

Year 3/4: What does it mean to be a steward of creation?

Year 5/6: What makes people happy? How would you describe true happiness?

Why not try discussing these questions with your child - can Dena help them to remember their learning?

STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2027?

Do you have a child who will be starting school in September 2027? Or perhaps you have family members, friends or neighbours with a child due to start school in September 2027?

Come and meet our staff, explore our learning environment, and find out why our school is a great place for children to learn and thrive!

Open Day Dates

19 October **22 October**
5 November **19 November**

Session Times

9:30am **11:00am** **1:30pm**

We look forward to meeting you and showing you around our wonderful school.
Book your place today via the School Office!

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for October:



For mental health ministry

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

Fantastic Achievement!



A huge well done to James, who competed in the ISTD DFR Grand Finals and achieved an amazing 5th place in the country! What a fantastic achievement. We are very proud of you!

SCHOOL GOVERNORS WANTED

What Does It Mean to Be a Governor in a Catholic School?

Governors play an important role in guiding and supporting the school, while the headteacher and leadership team manage its day-to-day operation. Their key responsibilities include ensuring a clear Catholic vision and ethos, holding leaders accountable for educational standards and the school's Catholic character, and overseeing finances.

If you think you have the skills and enthusiasm to join our friendly team and want to know more about the role, please speak to Mrs Comerford.

We Live our Lives like Jesus...