



# Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

*We live our lives like Jesus*



Newsletter 4th April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers.

Thank you for your support of our Pilgrimage Walks in aid of CAFOD. They were great occasions where we witnessed to our faith as Pilgrims of Hope. So far we have raised £1003.14 as we stand in solidarity with our neighbours across the world.

It is unusual to finish this term two weeks before we celebrate the feast of Easter. We know that Holy Week starts with Palm Sunday and then follows Jesus as he celebrates the Last Supper with his disciples, is arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane, Crucified and rises on Easter Sunday, known as the Triduum. During this week, we have shared the events of Holy Week.

Miss Clark

## Challenge for the Easter Holidays

Families are invited to do some Easter craft—could you make an Easter garden or an egg-ceptable scene using a standard egg as the inspiration. Early Years children are challenged to make an Easter Bonnet

Please bring any finished craft into school by **WEDNESDAY 23rd APRIL** where we will display the contributions and hold an Easter bonnet parade

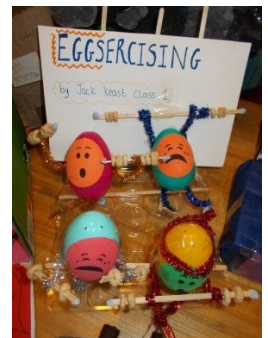
**Easter Gardens** based on the Easter story of Jesus' Resurrection—can be made with real plants or junk modelling



## Eggciting Characters

—Using standard eggs from home, create a scene using your egg(s) as the main character(s). Anything is egg-ceptable, you can disguise your egg as an animal and place him in a jungle scene or play on the word 'egg' and create an eggs-ersing gym or an eggspllosion in a firework factory.

Just as long as you include a boiled egg



*“By our actions, our words, our patient efforts to sow seeds of beauty and kindness wherever we find ourselves. We want to sing of hope and reawaken in every heart the joy and the courage to embrace life, to the Full.”*

*Pope Francis*

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# Our exciting week!

## Our Pilgrim Walks



Taking part in Portsmouth Music Ensemble—we were all so proud of the children's confidence and musicality.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1DCgGe8zxa/?mibextid=wwXlfr>



## Fond Farewell

At the end of term, Mrs Devine will be leaving us to take up a new role as a Registrar. Not only has Mrs Devine been a valued colleague, friend and teacher over the last 9 years, her contact with the school stretches back to her childhood. Mrs Devine attended the school as a child, sent her own children to Corpus Christi, contributed to the school as a Governor and then an employee. Over the years, she has ensured our Catholic mission and ethos has been at the forefront of all we do. She has established our Mini Vinnies group based around the vision of St Vincent de Paul and encouraging the children to think about how they can put their faith into action.

I am sure, parents and pupils, will join with me in thanking Mrs Devine for her contribution to the school and wish her every success for the future.

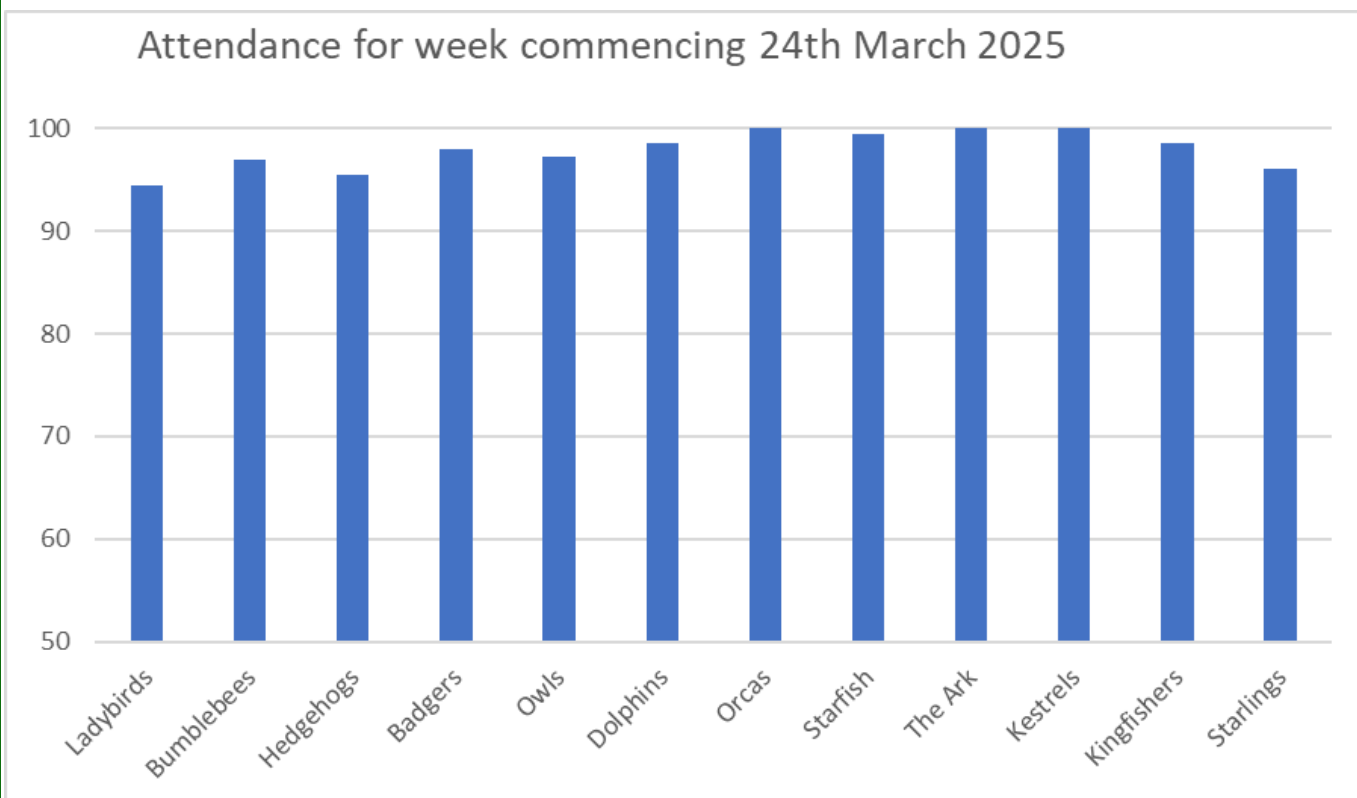
Miss Dawson will also be stepping away from school from the end of April, as she prepares to welcome a new addition to her family. We wish her well and can't wait to meet baby Dawson.

Due to Year 6 swimming, PE days for Year 6 will only be Friday next term (Year 5 will have an additional session in the afternoon). The children should wear their school uniform on Thursdays as a result.

## Attendance

Well done to Orcas, The Ark & Kestrels for 100% attendance and Stafish class for 99% last week!  
Wonderful!

Followed closely by Badgers, Dolphins AND Kingfishers class for 98% attendance!  
Great attendance all round!



## GOOD SHEPHERD

BUMBLEBEES — BEN  
LADYBIRDS — JOSHUA  
OWLS — MADELINE  
HEDGEHOGS — EASON  
BADGERS — ARLO  
DOLPHINS — LYDIA  
ORCAS — EMILIA  
STARFISH — JENNIFER  
KINGFISHERS — ALAN  
KESTRELS — NARDOS  
STARLINGS — DOLLY  
THE ARK— GOODNESS



BUMBLEBEES — MARLEY  
LADYBIRDS — JULIA  
OWLS — RAMANA  
HEDGEHOGS — ARIEL  
BADGERS — ROSIE  
DOLPHINS — NYAH  
ORCAS — RYAN  
STARFISH — NIKOLA  
KINGFISHERS — CHRISTABEL  
KESTRELS — MISHAEL  
STARLINGS — SAMARA

## GOLDEN BOOK

McKenzie (Kingfishers)  
Excellent descriptive skills in her story!

Akorede (Badgers)  
Using wonderful language

Darcy-Mae (Badgers)  
Asking good questions & sharing her  
wonderful knowledge in RE


Oliviya (Badgers)  
Writing a lovely prayer in RE




SILVER:  
Rares, Luna, Melissa &  
Zuzanna (Owls)  
Zoe & Louis (Orcas)

## Dates for your Diary


Monday 7th April - Monday 21st April	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - school closed for all children
Friday 25th April	Yr 6 Swimming begins
Thursday 1st May	Yr R Staunton Farm Trip
Tuesday 6th May	Dolphins Class Swimming begins
Monday 5th May	BANK HOLIDAY - school closed for all children
Friday 23rd May	NSET Day - school closed for all children
Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May	HALF TERM - school closed for all children
Tuesday 3rd June	Owls & Yr1 Hedgehogs HMS Victory Trip
Wednesday 4th June	Badgers & Yr2 Hedgehogs HMS Victory Trip
Friday 4th July	INSET Day - school closed for all children
Wednesday 23rd July - Tuesday 2nd September	SUMMER HOLIDAYS - school closed for all children



# EASTER HOLIDAY CAMPS



**KA NORTHERN PARADE SCHOOL**  
7TH - 17TH APRIL 2025  
BOOK A SPACE  
[WWW.ZUKOSPORTS.CO.UK/HOLIDAYCAMPS](http://WWW.ZUKOSPORTS.CO.UK/HOLIDAYCAMPS)



### FOOTBALL CAMP

**WEEK 1**  
7TH - 11TH APRIL

**WEEK 2**  
14TH - 17TH APRIL

9:00AM - 3:00PM  
YEARS 1-8

KA NORTHERN PARADE SCHOOL

### MULTI-SPORTS CAMP

**WEEK 1**  
7TH - 11TH APRIL

**WEEK 2**  
14TH - 17TH APRIL

9:00AM - 3:00PM  
YEARS 1-8

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## PH MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMPS

4 - 14 YEARS OLD

Day Bookings from  
**£27.00**

# HAMPSHIRE

Kimpton, Thruxton and Fyfield C of E Primary School

New Horizons, Portchester Rd, Portsmouth PO2 7JB

**BOOK NOW:** [www.phcamps.co.uk](http://www.phcamps.co.uk)



## Easter Holiday Camps

4-14 years

7TH APRIL - 18TH APRIL

PH CAMPS EARLY BIRD PRICES 2025

	DAY	WEEK
Breakfast Club (08:00 - 09:00)	£5.00	£20.00
Day Booking (09:00 - 15:00)	£27.00	£121.50
Extended Club (15:00 - 16:00)	£5.00	£20.00
Extended Club (15:00 - 17:30)	£10.50	£42.00

Prices End Sunday 23rd March

**BOOK NOW**  
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# Fearless Triple P

For parents with children who are overly anxious or fearful

## Who is it for?

Parents of children aged 5 and above, who are overly anxious or fearful

## How Triple P Fearless can help you

- Understand anxiety
- Promoting emotional resilience
- Setting a good example and encouraging realistic thinking
- Over coming avoidance
- Responding to children's anxiety
- Constructive problem solving and maintaining progress



## How to access Fearless support

- Parents can self-refer via a Parenting surgery session
- Professionals via the parenting inbox or TAWS



[ParentingService@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:ParentingService@portsmouthcc.gov.uk)

## NCFE CACHE Level 2 Award in Understanding Children and Young People's Mental Health



This **free** qualification course will develop your knowledge of mental health in children and young people which would support progression onto further qualifications and into relevant employment in the health and social care or education sectors.

**Thursday mornings 9:30am - 12:00pm**

**Introductory session:** Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

**Course dates:** 24<sup>th</sup> April; 1<sup>st</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> May; 5<sup>th</sup> June

This course will be delivered at The Learning Place, 6 Derby Road, North End, Portsmouth, PO2 8HH.

**To find out more about this course please**

**Email:** [thelearningplace@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:thelearningplace@portsmouthcc.gov.uk)

**Call:** 023 9262 1860

[www.learn.portsmouth.gov.uk](http://www.learn.portsmouth.gov.uk)

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## NCFE CACHE Level 2 Award in Support Work in Schools and Colleges



This **free** qualification is an introduction to the knowledge and understanding needed to work in a school or college. It can apply to the many varied roles that full and part time support staff may fulfil including administrative, site support and technical roles and volunteers as well as roles that work directly with children and young people in the learning environment.

The course requires written tasks to be submitted in order to achieve the level 2 qualification.

Introductory session: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1pm to 2.30pm

The course will be delivered over 10 weeks on Wednesday mornings 9:30am to 12:00pm on the following dates

23<sup>rd</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> April; 7<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> May; 4<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> June; 2<sup>nd</sup> July

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Or email: [thelearningplace@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:thelearningplace@portsmouthcc.gov.uk)

## Parent Power / Managing Children's Behaviour

Come along to our **free 4-week** course to put the fun back into parenting!



Parenting can be tough! Come along and learn some new strategies, helpful hints, tips and advice to establish boundaries and create a calmer, positive environment. This course is recommended for parents/ carers of children aged 2-11.

**Tuesdays 29<sup>th</sup> April 6<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Start time: 10am finishing at 12pm**

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# AI WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

We still have spaces in our AI webinars for parents and carers.

Follow the links below to find out more and register using the form on the next page.

For more information, please email Gemma [info@portsmouththedigitalcity.co.uk](mailto:info@portsmouththedigitalcity.co.uk)



## SESSION DETAILS

**Session 1: Introduction to AI - What Parents Need to Know**

1 Get to grips with the basics of artificial intelligence. Learn what AI is, how it's shaping the world around us, and how your child may already be using it in their everyday life.

Thurs 01.05.2025  
17:00 to 18:00

**Session 2: Using AI to Support Your Child in English**

2 Explore AI tools that can help with reading, writing, and language development. From grammar checkers to creative writing assistants, discover ways to boost your child's confidence and skills in English.

Mon 12.05.2025  
17:00 to 18:00

**Session 3: Using AI to Support Your Child in Maths**

3 Maths doesn't have to be a struggle! Learn how AI apps and platforms can make learning maths more engaging, personalised, and effective for children at all levels.

Thurs 22.05.2025  
17:00 to 18:00

PEP PARTNERSHIP The Digital City Project Technology for children, technology for adults, technology for all





HAF'S

# SPRING SPECTACULAR

5 - 19 APRIL  
THROUGHOUT PORTSMOUTH

Enjoy *cracking* activities like performing arts, loads of sports, arts and crafts, tonnes of games and delicious food!

We are excited to share details of the HAF Spring holiday activity programmes in Portsmouth, designed to support children and young people during the Easter break.

These programmes offer a range of enriching activities and nutritious food throughout Portsmouth (PO1 to PO6).

There are three key offers this year:

**Spring Spectacular (Ages 5-11)** – Free Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) sessions for children on benefits-related free school meals. These activities provide a fun and supportive environment while ensuring children have access to healthy meals. (Universal free school meals do not qualify.)

**Spring Break (Ages 11-16)** – Free HAF-funded sessions for older children receiving benefits-related free school meals.

**Spring Sessions (Ages 11-16, PO1–PO6)** – Activities are open to young people, including those from low-income families, who may not qualify for free school meals but still require support, thanks to alternative funding..

**Spring Family Fun Days** – Free Holiday Activities and Food sessions for eligible families with children on benefits-related free school meals.