



Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

We live our lives like Jesus



Newsletter 15th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers.

Corpus Christi Christmas Fiesta

Wednesday 4th December

3.15—4.45pm



Please come and join us for our Christmas Fiesta., which will be based in the school hall. Families and staff will be sharing their Christmas traditions through song and artefacts. There will also be some games and activities for children to take part in—we will be making a charge for this.

If any parent would like to donate chocolates for a tombola or a prize for the raffle please drop them in at the office.

This will be a lovely day and we look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 4th December.



Miss Clark

Save the date

Sunday 24th November The school will be joining the Parish for Mass at 11am. Children are asked to wear their school uniform and will be involved in different ministries.

Friday 29th November—Non School Uniform Day—donations to NOT wear your school uniform. Any money raised will be put towards Christmas activities including the Grandparents Tea Party.

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

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Christmas Celebrations

Parents are invited to join us for our Christmas Celebrations.

Wednesday 4th December Christmas Fiesta 3.15pm - 4.45pm
—After school in the hall area

Tuesday 10th December YrR Nativity at 9.am

Thursday 12th December Yr1-2 Nativity @ 2pm



Friday 20th December Yr3-6 Carol Service at 2.15pm

The Nativities and Carol Service will be in the Church so we are able to accommodate the wider family community.

Grandparents and the Parish Community are invited to join us

Tuesday 17th December Community Tea Party @ 2pm—School Hall

In school

Wednesday 18th December
YrR-2 Christmas Jumper, Christmas Lunch and Party

Thursday 19th December
Yr3-6 Christmas Jumper & Christmas Lunch and Party



PE Days – Autumn Term

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dolphins yr3.4 (Mrs Kelly)	Orcas yr3.4 (Mr Clark)	Bumblebees yrR (Mrs Miles)	Kestrels yr5.6 (Mrs Precious)	Owls yr1.2 (Ms Martinez)
Starfish yr3.4 (Mrs Hassana)		Ladybirds yrR (Miss Longyear)	Starlings yr5.6 (Mrs Gosney)	Hedgehogs yr1.2 (Mrs Thiba)
		Owls yr1.2 (Ms Martinez)	Kingfishers yr5.6 (Miss Dawson)	Badgers yr1.2 (Miss Elsom)
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Religious Education

Catholic Social Teaching
We will be answering the key question: **how can we share the light of the world?**

Advent
We will be answering the key question: **how can we help prepare a way for the Lord?**

Writing
In writing, we will be sharing the text: I Want My Hat Back by Jon Klassen. We will use the book as a hook to practise our writing skills that we have been working on; clear, well formed handwriting, clear, grammatically correct sentences, application of phonics and accurate spelling. We will extend our writing to include conjunctions.

Reading
We are a Read, Write Inc. school and we follow this programme for all phonics and reading lessons in year 1.2. We continue to assess children each half term to ensure all home reading books are the appropriate level of challenge and enjoyment for your child.

Maths
Year 1: Children will learn about: place value, addition and subtraction. Children will count, read and write numbers to 100 in numerals; count in multiples of twos, fives and tens. They will recognise and know the value of different denominations of coins and notes
Year 2: Children will learn about: place value, addition and subtraction, with an emphasis on money. Children will find combinations of coins which total a given amount.

Geography
We will be answering the question: **what is it like here?** Children will know and locate where they live on aerial photograph and recognise local features. They will draw simple maps of school grounds and will use maps to follow simple routes around school grounds. Children will carry out an enquiry about how to improve our playground. They will create designs and maps to share this.

Year 1 / 2

Autumn Term 2



Science
We will be answering the question: **how do we sense things?**
Children will identify and name the basic parts of the human body and the senses they relate to. Children will know which sense is in action in a variety of different situations. Children will focus closely on hearing. They will investigate the volume of instruments, identifying which are the loudest and which are the quietest. During this investigation we will work on building prediction and conclusion skills.

PSHE
In PSHE we will be considering: **what dangers are there in my home?** Children will recognise and identify risk in simple everyday situations at home and what action to take. They will know basic rules to keep safe online.

Art / DT
In art children will be building their drawing skills, focussing on how to build texture within their drawings. Children will use their art skills to create Christmas scenes.

Music:
Year 1.2 children will be learning ukulele.
Lessons are led by a specialist music teacher from Portsmouth Music Service.

Computing
We will be solving the question: **how can I use a camera effectively?** Children will use a digital device to take a photograph and use suitable tools to edit and improve a photograph.

USEFUL DATES (more details to follow):
HALF TERM: Monday 28th – Friday 1st November
Monday 4th November – return to school
Thursday 21st November – Flu immunisations
Monday 25th November: INSET
Wednesday 4th December – Christmas Fiesta
Thursday 12th December – KS1 Nativity
Friday 13th December – Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day
Monday 24th February: INSET / Friday 23rd May: INSET / Friday 4th July: INSET

Please support your children to complete the following homework:
Spelling: Issued on a Thursday, due for return the following Thursday.
Reading: Children **should** read daily at home, but **MUST** read 3 times weekly. Diaries are checked on Thursdays.
Year 2 Maths: Year 2 MyMaths homework is set on Thursday, due for completion by the following Thursday.
Children are rewarded with merits on completion of each homework, completed on time. Homework is a key way for children to practise key skills.



PE
Our PE days will be Wednesday and Friday. Full PE uniform should be worn.

RE
Catholic Social Teaching (CST): Who is my neighbour? They will be studying the story of the Good Samaritan alongside Pope Francis' Fratelli Tutti, before planning a project to help us stand in solidarity with our neighbours.
Advent: How does the Old Testament help us in understanding Advent?
Children will learn about the Jesse Tree and how the Old Testament promises a Messiah in relation to the first coming of Jesus.

English:
In reading, children will be developing their reading skills, including how to be a supportive and active listener and how to discuss and explain their ideas.
In writing, children will be learning how to write letter and recounts using our core text as inspiration (this will be revealed at a later date, so as not to spoil the surprise!). They will be developing the use of fronted adverbials and subordinating conjunctions.

Maths
Year 3: Children will be developing their knowledge of fractions. This includes how to read and write them and how to spot equivalent fractions. They will go on to learn more about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. They will then learn how to measure length and mass before developing their skills in telling the time.
Year 4: Children will begin by focusing on learning their 6 and 7 times table facts and how these can be used to know the related division facts. They will then learn about how to count in fractions and decimals and how to compare fractions.

Spanish
Children will be learning and developing the skills and vocabulary they need to describe numbers and colours.

Year 3/4

Autumn Term 2

Geography
Children will be answering the question: **What are rivers and how are they used?**
They will learn about the water cycle, river formation and how they are used by people. They will learn about where important rivers can be found in the world as well as the rivers local to us and their features.

Science
Children will be answering the question: **How are rocks formed?**
They will study different types of rocks and soil and how these are created. They will focus particularly on how fossils are formed.

Music:
Children will continue to learn to play recorders and flutes this year and will receive lessons from a specialist music teacher.

PSHE
Children will be answering the question: **Why should we be active and sleep well?**
They will learn about the benefits of a healthy and active lifestyle and why sleep is an important factor in being healthy and happy. They will also learn about the risks of unhealthy lifestyles and how to avoid these.

PE
Gymnastic and Football Skills
PE DAYS – Monday and Thursday
ORCAS SWIMMING – Tuesdays (until 3rd December)

Design Technology
Children will be learning about what makes a good bridge, before designing and building their own versions.

Computing
Children will be learning about creating media using technology. They will be planning and recording their own podcasts as part of this unit.

RE
Catholic Social Teaching
 Children will learn what CST is and how we can show solidarity to those in our local community.

Advent
 The children will answer the question How should we use Advent to be prepared, ready and alert?

Spanish
 Children will be learning how to describe the planets.

Science
 Children will be answering the question: *How can we classify living things?*
 They will learn how to use classification keys and about the Linnaean System for classifying.

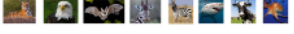
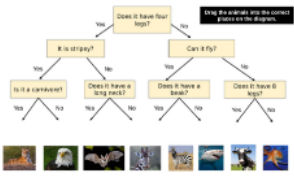
PSHE
 Children will focus on the key question: Are drugs always dangerous?
 They will learn about legal drugs, including medicines, and how to keep themselves safe.

Computing
 The theme for this unit is Web Page Creation, where children will use Google Sites to design their web pages.

PE
PE DAYS – Thursday and Friday

English:
 In writing, children will be learning about the core text 'King of the Sky'. They will apply the grammar skills they learnt last term through persuasive letters and speeches.

In reading, children will read the book 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens. It will be a great opportunity for children to learn about a classic novel, written by an author who was born in Portsmouth.



Maths
Year 5
 Children will learn how to add and subtract fractions with the same denominator and denominators that are multiples of each other. They will also learn how to interpret timetables.

Year 6
 Children will continue to deepen their understanding of multiplication and division before moving on to fractions, decimals and percentages. They will learn about equivalent fractions and how to use conversion skills to change between fractions, decimals and percentages.

Geography
 In geography, the children will answer the key question: Why do oceans matter?
 Children will learn about the importance of our ocean and how oceans have changed over time with pollution and climate change.

Art/DT
 This term the focus is DT making lever and linkage mechanisms.
 They will be designing a mechanism for a children's picture book. They will be sharing these with Year 1.

Our City: Our Future "Staying safe together in a digital world"

Please see this week's theme and the questions to ask your child and have a discussion about how we can all be safe online.



This week's theme is:
"Online Relationships"

I can describe how to behave online in ways that do not upset others

- Questions to ask your child:
- ◆ Have you ever upset someone online/offline?
 - ◇ How did they feel?
 - ◇ How did it make you feel?
 - ◆ Have you ever accidentally upset someone online/offline?
 - ◆ Has anything or anyone online made you upset?
 - ◇ How did you feel?
 - ◇ What did you do next?

- ◆ What behaviours might upset someone online?
- ◆ What behaviours might make someone feel good online?
- ◆ Is there anything you might do online that neither causes upset nor makes people feel better?
- ◆ What does it mean to be 'positive' online?

Zoom in, Zoom out

Last weeks reveal:



This weeks zoom in:



Try talking about
the image using
some of our
prediction stems:

I predict that....

I think this image is showing....

I think this because....

GOOD SHEPHERD

BUMBLEBEES — BENJAMIN

LADYBIRDS — YORI

OWLS — DANAIT

HEDGEHOGS — EVELIN

BADGERS — MERCY

DOLPHINS — TYRELL

ORCAS — FAITH

STARFISH — FINLEY

KINGFISHERS — LAWRENCE

KESTRELS — ADE

STARLINGS — ROSIE



BUMBLEBEES — CODIE-JAX

LADYBIRDS — HENRY

OWLS — JENNIFER

HEDGEHOGS — ALICE

BADGERS — OLIVIYA

DOLPHINS — ELISA

ORCAS — BETSY

STARFISH — NICOLA

KINGFISHERS — BOLESLAW

KESTRELS — SOFFIA

STARLINGS — ALEX.C



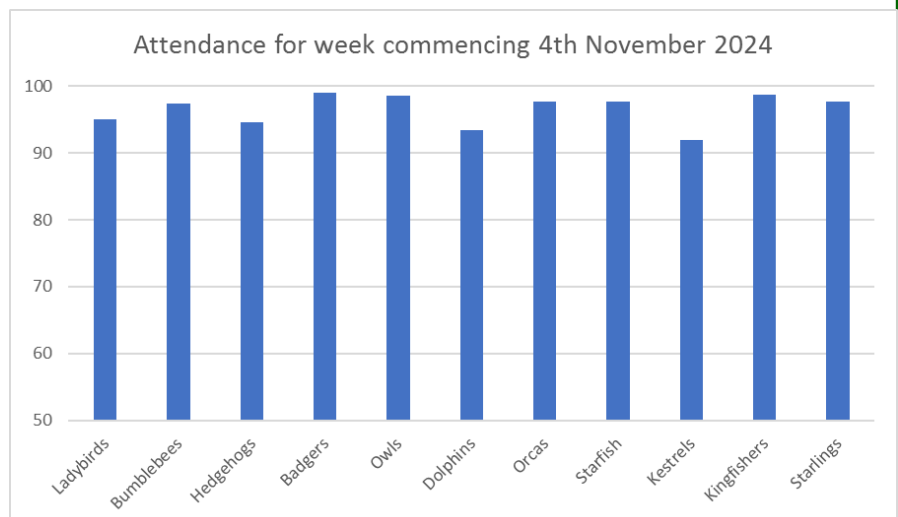
BRONZE:

Gwen (Owls)

Attendance

Well done to Badgers class for 99% attendance for the first week of Autumn 2!

Also well done to Owls & Kingfishers class for almost 99% attendance!



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 19th November	School Tours for September 2025 Starters (<i>booking required</i>)
Thursday 21st November	Flu Nasal Vaccinations (<i>consent required</i>)
Sunday 24th November	Corpus Christi School Mass
Monday 25th November	INSET Day - school closed for all children
Tuesday 26th November	Parent Consultations (<i>booking required</i>)
Wednesday 27th November	Parent Consultations (<i>booking required</i>)
Friday 29th November	Non-School Uniform Day
Wednesday 4th December	Christmas Fiesta 3.15pm - 4.45pm
Tuesday 10th December	YrR Nativity @ TBC
Thursday 12th December	School Nurse appointments (<i>booking required</i>) Yr1-2 Nativity @ 2pm-3pm
Tuesday 17th December	Grandparents Tea Party @ 2pm
Wednesday 18th December	YrR-2 Christmas Jumper & Christmas Lunch Day
Thursday 19th December	Yr3-6 Christmas Jumper & Christmas Lunch Day
Friday 20th December	Yr3-6 Carol Service at 2.15pm
Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - school closed for all children
Tuesday 11th February - Friday 14th February	Yr 6 Runways End Residential
Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February	HALF TERM - school closed for all children
Monday 24th February	INSET Day - school closed for all children
Monday 7th April - Monday 21st April	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - school closed for all children
Monday 5th May	BANK HOLIDAY - school closed for all children
Friday 23rd May	INSET Day - school closed for all children
Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May	HALF TERM - school closed for all children
Friday 4th July	INSET Day - school closed for all children
Wednesday 23rd July - Tuesday 2nd September	SUMMER HOLIDAYS - school closed for all children



Join us in school on Wednesday 27th November – SEN Parent coffee morning and meet with Portsmouth Parent Voice (PPV)

9am-9.45am

What is a PPV?

PPV – is part of the voluntary sector and is supported by the Local Authority, Department for Education and Health. We are under the umbrella of Home Start Portsmouth, who are a registered charity.

- PPV – is for YOU, the parent carer of a child or young person with an additional or special need and/or disability; aged from 0 – 25 years old, to voice your opinions on what you would like for your child or young person.

- PPV will assist you to find the right support or service you need. We will do this online or face to face.

- PPV aims to have the voice and active involvement of parent carers in the service planning and decision-making processes within the local authority. They will be involved in how services are shaped and delivered locally for families with a disabled child or young person, and to make them more focused on the needs of the families with disabled children and young people.



A little help caring for your little ones

Download the **Healthier Together app** for instant advice on common childhood illnesses.

It will guide you on how to look after your child at home when they're poorly and where to get help when you need it.



Find us online at www.what0-18.nhs.uk

Healthier Together

Think Pharmacy First for minor illness



Your local pharmacy can now treat, and offer prescription medication when needed, for seven common conditions:

Shingles - 18 years and over

Sore throat - 5 years and over

Infected insect bites - 1 year and over

Earaches in children - 1 to 17 years

Sinusitis - 12 years and over

Impetigo - 1 year and over

Uncomplicated urinary tract infection (UTI) in women 16 to 64 years



Triple P Discussion Groups For School-Aged Children



Learn how to set boundaries and create routines that work for your family.

All sessions will offer basic strategies and ideas for anyone who wants to help their child to be the best they can be.

Dealing with Teen emotions

Tuesday 5th November 10:00am - 12:30pm
Paulsgrove Family Hub, Cheltenham Road
Paulsgrove PO63PL

Dealing with Disobedience

Tuesday 19th November 11:30 - 2:00
Milton Park Family Hub, Perth Road
Southsea PO48EU

Hassel - free Shopping

Wednesday 11th December 12:00 - 2:30
Buckland Family Hub, Turner Road
Portsmouth PO14PN

Getting Teens to Co-operate

Tuesday 5th November 10:00 - 12:30
Somerstown Family Hub, Omega Street
Southsea PO54LP

Managing Fighting and Aggression

Friday 6th December 9:30 - 12:00 Paulsgrove
Family Hub, Cheltenham Road Paulsgrove
PO63PL

Building Teenagers Survival Skills

Tuesday 17th December 10:00 - 12:30
Paulsgrove Family Hub, Cheltenham Road
Paulsgrove PO63PL

Developing A Bedtime Routine

Wednesday 13th November 10:00 - 12:30
Paulsgrove Family Hub, Cheltenham Road
Paulsgrove PO63PL

Reducing Family Conflict

Tuesday 10th December 10:00 - 12:30
Paulsgrove Family Hub, Cheltenham Road
Paulsgrove PO63PL



To book a place call the Family Hub on 02392 88 25 88— Choose the hosting Family Hub from the menu



Triple P Discussion groups November—December 2024

Suitable for School-Aged Children

Learn how to set boundaries and create routines that work for your family.

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For more information about parenting support Email

ParentigService@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

Or visit

WWW.portsmouth.gov.uk

and search

'Early help and prevention'

Or contact your local Portsmouth Family Hub:

Tel: 023 9288 2588

Buckland Family Hub
Turner Road, Buckland, PO1 4PN.

Somerstown Family Hub
Omega Street, Southsea, PO5 4LP.

Milton Park Family Hub
Perth Road, Southsea, PO4 8EU.

Northern Parade Family Hub
Doyle Avenue, Hillsea, PO2 9NF.

Paulsgrove Family Hub
Cheltenham Road, Paulsgrove, PO6 3PL.



**Family Assist
Solent**

An online portal to help parents and families access key information and support for all ages.

What is Family Assist?

What are the benefits of signing up?

- Access to online Solihull parenting courses for all ages and stages.
- Regular information by e-mail at the time it's important.
- Access to local information, advice and resources.
- Access the 'Ask a Question' email facility for non-urgent questions, responded to within 2 working days.
- Ability to invite family and friends to become members of your child's record so everyone around you and your family receives the same information.

How to sign up

Scan the QR code or visit the portal by using the link below to create an account. Be sure to create a record for each child to make the most of what Family Assist has to offer.

<https://www.solent.nhs.uk/familyassist>

Scan me



Small changes,
big differences.



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