

Corpus Christi Primary Newsletter

February 2020 Newsletter



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Diary Dates

- ◆ Holiday Weekend - Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th February
- ◆ In-Service Days - Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th February
- ◆ Ash Wednesday - Wednesday 26th February
- ◆ First Communion Enrolment Mass - Sunday 1st March
- ◆ Parent Council Meeting - Monday 2nd March at 6:30pm
- ◆ Parents' Evening - Thursday 26th March
- ◆ Sacrament of Reconciliation - Wednesday 1st April at new time of 6:30pm
- ◆ End of Term - Friday 3rd April with school closing at 2:30pm

Welcome

We welcome another new member of staff to our school. Mrs Mullett has been appointed as Dining Room Assistant and will be supporting the children during lunch time in the dinner hall and the playground. We warmly welcome her to our school team.

Spiritual Life of the School

Many of you will be aware that Fr. Vincent has just started receiving treatment for cancer. Fr. Vincent has provided information to families at Mass and advised of his current situation regarding Mass for children and the impact this could have on his recovery. For this reason, we will not be attending Corpus Christi Church tomorrow for First Friday Mass. We will have a prayer service in school for children and staff and we will dedicate our prayers to Fr. Vincent.

For future Masses and important liturgical events, I will discuss arrangements with Fr. Desmond of St. Edward's Parish. Fr. Desmond has offered his support during this time, although I ask that you keep in mind the many commitments he already has and that his support to Corpus Christi is over and above.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on 26th February. Daily morning Mass at 8:30am will not be possible this year; however, we will have morning Rosary in school and weekly Stations of the Cross. More details will follow shortly.

Fr. Vincent and I both appreciate your support and patience.

February Mid Term Break

As a reminder, please note that both the school and nursery are closed next week from Monday 10th February to Thursday 13th February (inclusive). This is due to the February long weekend and two in-service days for staff. Children return to school on Friday 14th February.

Dress Down Day

Friday 14th February will be a dress down day. Children are invited to donate £1 to come along to school out of uniform. I am hoping to raise funds to purchase a large screen and projector for our school hall. Families of 2 or more need only consider a donation for the first 2 children.

Internet Safety/Social Media

The internet and social media can be very useful platforms for learning and communication' however

Road Safety

I contacted North Lanarkshire Council regarding the absence of zig zag yellow road markings outside the school gates. As a result, these markings will be put in place as soon as possible. We are very fortunate that most parents are vigilant when it comes to parking in and around the school, however these markings are essential for all schools and help to ensure the safety of your children at all times. Please continue to park safely and pay attention to our new road markings when they are in place.

Parents' Evening

You will notice from our March diary dates that Parents' Evening is on Thursday 26th March. Appointment letters will be issued two weeks prior to Parent's Evening. Please return the appointment slip as soon as possible after receiving it to ensure we can accommodate as best we can.

Community Learning and Development

Our Community Learning and Development Worker, Raymond McCabe, will be providing Solihul (Understanding Children's Behaviour) workshops for parents/carers in Corpus Christi. These workshops provide effective information and support on understanding child behaviour and practical strategies for parents/carers to use. You may also wish to attend these sessions for personal development if interested in learning more about child development and behaviour as a career route for the future. The workshops will run on a Tuesday afternoon from 12:45 to 2:45pm. If this interests you then please return the attached slip to note your interest and I will send out more information. The first session on Tuesday 18th February is a drop in session if you wish to hear more before making a decision. Community Learning and Development, and particularly Solihul workshops, is an excellent opportunity for us to have in our school; we are very fortunate to be able to provide these workshops with skilled Solihul training staff.

Raymond is also offering a range of other workshops on Wednesdays from 1:55pm to 2:55pm. The workshops are as follows:

- Safer Internet Day Information Session (as a follow up to the information being provided for children)
- A Blether - Calderbank Personal Experience/Reminiscence session
- Calderbank - Local History
- Digital Storytelling Research (video making)

During the final term all classes will participate in a topic about Calderbank. Alongside learning about our local area, this topic will include walks/visits to places of interest around the village and we hope to learn from any of the information/memories etc. that you may have to offer as a result of attending the sessions with Raymond. The children's learning will be greatly enhanced by those able to participate in any of these sessions.

Comments for Improvement and Praise!

Thank you to those of you who provided feedback regarding the work of the school. Feedback Please use the attached sheet to share your views.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs. M. McCreery
Head Teacher

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Parent/Carer Feedback

Please find my compliments/areas for improvement below:-

Parent's Signature _____

Child's Name _____

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