Corpus Christi Primary Newsletter

November 2020 Newsletter



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Diary Dates

Wear Tartan for St Andrew's Day-Monday 30th November 2020

Flu Vaccine Catch Up- Tuesday 8th December 2020

Christmas Lunch and St Andrew's Hospice Dress Down Day - Friday 11th December 2020

Christmas Movie Afternoon and Dress Down Day -Friday 18th December 2020

Christmas and New Year Holidays -School/Nursery closed - Wednesday 23rd December to Tuesday 5th January 2021

Congratulations

Congratulations to our Primary 4 children who recently received the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Primary 5 children who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. The children were very excited after having to wait such a long



time. However, both occasions were most certainly worth the wait as we had Fr. Vincent as the celebrant at both, which brought great joy to our school and parish community. Many thanks to Fr. Vincent for all that he does to support our school!



Many thanks to Mrs. Rennie and Mrs. Connolly for all their support in preparing the children and for their own contributions to the service and Masses. Thank you to Mrs. Campbell and Brian Skeffington for their hard work in the organisation of both Sacraments to ensure the safety of everyone and that information was communicated to families and to the volunteers who offered their time as Church stewards and provided cleaning of the Church.





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<u>St Andrew's Day</u>

Whilst we can't have our usual St Andrew's Day celebration with a performance for parents, we would still like to mark this special occasion with a 'Wear Something Tartan' Day on Monday 30th November.







Christmas

We are determined to have an exciting and joyful build up to Christmas this year with plans underway for many fun events.

As you know, we can't have a show this year; however, each class has been working on a special performance which will be filmed and added to a Corpus Christi Christmas DVD. Order forms will be issued shortly. Each child is also creating their own Christmas Card which will be available to purchase in packs of 10. Again, order forms will be issued shortly. However, all children will bring one of their Christmas cards home to keep at no cost.

Our school show usually brings in a very helpful amount of fundraising to help purchase additional resources. The children would hugely benefit from the upgrading of some of our classroom ICT equipment and fundraising continues to be an important part of our work in school in the hope of achieving such goals.

Below you will find details of some of our upcoming events. Please note that our three Friday events ask for a donation with a suggested small amount but this is just a donation where manageable.

> Fríday 4th Dec Chrístmas Photo Booth Day! Wear something Chrístmassy on your head and join in our photo booth - 50p

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Friday 11th Dec -Christmas lunch and Dress Down Day in aid of St Andrew's Hospice -Donation of own choice.

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Again this year, each child will receive a selection box as a gift from our team for being the wonderful children that they all are!

Flu Vaccine Catch Up

Our flu immunization programme took place in school on Tuesday 10th November. There will be a catch up day on Tuesday 8th December for any children who were absent. Please note that your child will not receive this vaccine if you have not completed the consent paperwork previously issued.



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Health and Safety

Once again I wish to thank all of you who continue to follow our very important health and safety measures to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children and staff.

Reminders again include:

- All adults must adhere to physical distancing at our school gates.
- Where physical distancing amongst adults is not possible then face coverings should be worn.
- Please stand clear of our gates at all times to allow children the space they need to enter and exit school.
- Park away from the school where possible.
- No cars should be driven directly past our school gates (with particular attention paid to the Church gate) during times when children are entering or exiting the school grounds. I cannot stress enough the dangers of not adhering to this important safety measure.
- Once your child has entered our school grounds they are supervised by staff, therefore parents are not required to wait until the school bell rings.
- Please do not park on yellow zig zag lines at our main entrance.
- Please do not park on areas marked 'keep clear' at Crown Street gate.
- Please be mindful of our neighbours when deciding where to park your car

Your support in these essential matters are vital in ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all. Please ensure that anyone else involved in dropping off/collecting your child is fully aware of the above health and safety measures.

Absence/Sickness

Our August newsletter provided detailed information regarding absence/sickness. Please refer to this information if you are unsure of what to do. However, the main message is **please do not send your child to school if he/she is unwell**. All our newsletters are added to our school blog:

https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/nl/corpuschristi/newsletters/

***Please read the following guidance in relation to coronavirus. ***

Anyone with symptoms, or who has had contact with someone with symptoms, should not attend school. If in school at the time they will be asked to return home and be tested or, if you do not wish to carry out a test, isolate for 10 days.

The symptomatic person should remain at home and everyone in the household should self-isolate until they receive the test results. If the test is positive, they must isolate for 10 days and those in the household for 14 days.

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The most common symptoms are:

- New, continuous cough
- Fever/high temperature



For more information go to NHSinform.scot

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Loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

Please do not send your child to school if showing any of the above symptoms.

Please phone the office to advise staff if your child is going to be absent from school and if the absence is related to any of the above symptoms, either for the child or for a household member. If a test takes place then please advise the office of the results, positive or negative, as soon as possible.

Remember, if you wish to contact me regarding any aspect of your child's learning and wellbeing or the work of our school then please do so via telephone or email.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mary McCreery Head Teacher



