

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

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Joyfully, unique in Jesus' family, we learn to use our special gifts to love, serve and make the world a better place.



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware, the school had an ungraded section 8 inspection (Education Act 2005) on 3rd and 4th of December. This school was, before September 2024, judged to be good for its overall effectiveness. The inspection process determined that the **school has taken effective action to maintain the standards identified at the previous inspection.**

The inspection process was thorough and an excellent consultation to identify strengths and areas to improve even further. We are very proud of the progress the school has made, and are committed to further improvement as well as sharing good practice with other schools.

Although this inspection was ungraded, the lead inspector, Lakmini Harkus, was very complimentary of the excellent care and standard of education the children receive at our school. In the report, Inspector Harkus described the learning environment for the children as '*wonderful*' and recognises the inclusivity of the school by stating, '*the school celebrates pupils' individuality and identity*'.

Inspector Harkus also highlighted the bespoke designed curriculum and high standard of teaching that takes place at Corpus Christi School. She stated that staff are '*adept at identifying misconceptions*' and pupils are resilient in their learning due to the '*warm and nurturing relationships*' with staff members.

On another note, I would like to mention the recent article in the [Bournemouth Daily Echo](#) highlighting the best performing primary schools in Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole. This is based on national assessments at the end of year 6. The national average is 61% (63% in BCP) of children meeting the standard in reading, writing and mathematics. **In Corpus Christi School 83% of the children achieved expected standard in reading, writing and mathematics. This is significantly above the national and local standards.**

Out of 86 schools in BCP, Corpus Christi School had the 3rd highest results. In Bournemouth South East, the location of our school, Corpus Christi had the highest (1st) standard grades. This is a real compliment to the hard work of the children, the support of our parents and the excellent standard of teaching at our school.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our parents a happy new year.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Lennon