

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



'You have been raised with Christ, therefore seek the things that are in heaven, where Christ is seated.'
Colossians 3:1

Spring Term 2026- Thursday 26th March 2026

NEWS UPDATE

As we reach the end of a busy and fruitful spring term, we take a moment to reflect with gratitude on all that has been achieved within our school community. Thank you for your continued support and for working in partnership with us to support your children's learning and development.

This special season in the Church's year leads us to the joy and hope of Easter - a time when we remember the Resurrection of Jesus and the promise of new life it brings. Throughout the term, our children have grown not only in their learning, but also in faith, kindness, and service to others, living out our Catholic values each day.

This week, our Year 3 pupils led a thoughtful reflection on the **Stations of the Cross**, helping us pause and remember the journey of Jesus with prayer and reverence. It was a meaningful way to prepare our hearts as we enter Holy Week.

Today, we enjoyed a wonderful production of the **Easter Story** by our talented Year 4 pupils—an inspiring and joyful retelling that brought the message of Easter to life.

Please refer to the flyers from our dedicated **Corpus Christi PTA** (attached to this newsletter) for information about the upcoming Disco, Summer Fayre and Uniform Sale.

We wish all our families a peaceful and joyful Easter. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Monday 13th April**.

PRAYER

Lord Jesus,

You have conquered death and
unlocked the path to eternal life.

We pray that through your resurrection
we may rise up with you
into the light of life.

Amen.

PARISH NEWS

The Corpus Christi Parish Newsletter can be accessed here:
<https://corpuschristiboscombe.org.uk/newsletter/>

FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS are Friday mornings 10.30 -11.30am and at Saturday evening & Sunday Masses. Gifts may be dropped off in church porch. **TINNED & packet FOODS** always appreciated. Thank you for your continued generosity.

DIARY DATES

Last day of Spring Term	Friday 27th March
Easter Holidays (School closed to children)	Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April
Summer Term begins	Monday 13th April
3C Celebration of the Word (Parents invited)	Monday 27th April 9:00am (School Hall)
Year 6 SATS Week 2026	Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May
2D Celebration of the Word (Parents invited)	Monday 18th May 9:00am (School Hall)
Summer Half-Term (School Closed to Children)	Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May
Last day of Summer term	Friday 17th July
STAFF INSET (School Closed to Children)	Monday 20th July and Tuesday 21st July
STAFF INSET (School Closed to Children)	Tuesday 1st September
Autumn Term 2026 begins (Children return to school)	Wednesday 2nd September

HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Congratulations to all of the children who received Headteacher Awards recently in recognition of their commitment to living out our school **Gospel Virtues**:

EYFS and KS1: Nwachukwu RR, Elliot RR, Adam RR, Milou RH, Amelia RH, Michael RH, Travis 1P, Pelumi 1P, Blossom 1P, Sumaya 1L, Awesome 1L, Daisy 1L, Sama 2L, Raisa 2L, Winnie 2L, Stella 2D, Jaroslav 2D, Filip 2D,

KS2: Szymon 3G, Alice 3G, Elena 3G, Joseph M 3C, Tola 3C, Salvador 4D, Theo M 4D, Oliwier 4D, Nadia S 4G, Mia 4G, Andre 4G, Oliwia 5C, Narayani 5C, Theo 5C, Isla 5B, Max 5B, Hanna 5B, Kacper 6L, Esra 6L, Mia 6L, Ameaya 6S, Nikos 6S, Ellie 6S, Honey 6S

GOLDEN APPLES

We are delighted to announce our **Spring Term Golden Apple Award** winners. Special congratulations to the children who have received awards in recognition of their character, effort and the positive values they demonstrate each day. They are shining examples of kindness, integrity and respect within our school community.

EYFS and KS1: Genevieve RH, Evania RR, Jake 1P, Olaf 1L, Harriet 2L, Emily 2D

KS2: Heather 3C, Szymon 3G, Fortune 4D, Uindi 4G, Alexa 5B, Bella 6L, Elizabeth 6S



A CALL TO SHARE AND SUPPORT

We are proud to offer such a wide range of sporting opportunities for pupils to take part in within our wider community. To help make these opportunities accessible to all, we welcome **donations of pre-loved football boots in good condition**. These will be made available to pupils who may not otherwise have the appropriate equipment to enable them to participate in events.

If any families do have any spare/used football boots at home which you would be happy to donate, please could you send them into the school office so that Mr Clarke can distribute according to needs.

We are most grateful for your generosity and support in helping every child to participate fully and flourish.



ST. CARLO ACUTIS RELICS

Our **Year 6 Faith in Action Committee** recently joined other local schools at **Bournemouth Oratory** on a special visit, to venerate first class relics of St Carlo Acutis, our newest millennial saint.

St Carlo is the patron of young people and technology, and is known for his devotion to the Eucharist, it was therefore an amazing opportunity for our children to grow in relationship with our Lord as they followed in the footsteps of St Carlo's 'Highway to Heaven'.

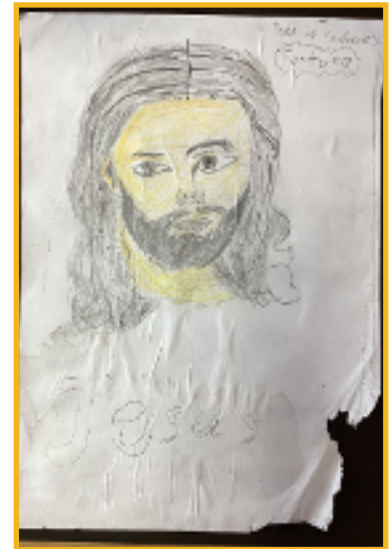


CATHOLIC UNION ART COMPETITION

We are delighted by the outstanding artwork submitted for the Forgiveness Art Competition, organised by **The Catholic Union Charitable Trust**. The quality of the entries has been truly remarkable, showcasing not only the children's creativity but also their dedication, thoughtfulness, and artistic skill.

We are incredibly proud of all the pupils who took part. Their work reflects both imagination and a deep engagement with the theme, and it continues to be inspiring to see such talent across the school.

Here is just a sample of the entries that have been submitted. Well done to everyone who entered, and we wish the children very best of luck in the competition!



SPORTS NEWS

Dodgeball National Finals

Our girls' dodgeball team recently travelled to Weston-super-Mare to compete in the **Primary Girls South West Regional Dodgeball Championships**. After a fantastic performance, they finished in the top five schools across the South West—an outstanding achievement that has secured their place in the Primary Girls National Dodgeball Championships.

The team showed great determination, teamwork and resilience throughout, representing the school with pride. Congratulations to Alicja M (6S), Isla D (5B), Dominika O (6L), Jiwon H (6S), Leni-Rae M (5C), Evie B (5B), Niamh T (4G) and Oliwia K (5C).

A special thank you to Mr Francis and Mrs Tainton for their support and encouragement. We are incredibly proud of the team and wish them the very best of luck for the national finals on Tuesday 19th May at Kettering! Special thanks to Mr Clarke for organising our school's participation in the regional



Indoor Golf

On Wednesday 11th March, 6 Year 3 and 4 children took part in the **Bournemouth Schools Tri Golf Event** in which they finished 3rd overall. Well done to Nikolas S (4G), Uindi A (4G), Emily K(4D), Emily H (3G), Mikolaj O (3C) and Wisdom T (3C).



MORE SPORTS NEWS

Tag Rugby

Our girls' Tag Rugby team travelled to Milford-on-Sea Primary School to face a strong and experienced side. Despite the challenge, the girls delivered an outstanding performance, securing an impressive 19–6 victory.

The team showed excellent teamwork, determination and skill throughout. Well done to Lucy O (5B), Elizabeth CA (5C), Elizabeth K (6S), Natalia M (6L), Alicja M (6S), Evie B (5B), Leni-Rae M (5C), Maya S (5C), Samanta B (5C), Ellie H (6S), Dominika O (6L), Niamh T (4G) and Jiwon H (6S).



Netball

Corpus Christi played a friendly netball match against Pokesdown Community Primary School. Despite a 9–2 loss to a well-drilled opposition, the team showed great effort and enthusiasm—especially as it was the first time some pupils had played competitively.

Well done to Noah T (6S), Niamh T (4G), Max M (6S), Elliot I (5B), Chijioke I (6L), Oliwia K (5C), Isla D (5B), Evie B (5B) and Samuel P (5B).

Football

Corpus Christi also played a friendly football match against St Peter's Catholic Primary School. The team demonstrated excellent teamwork and sportsmanship, securing a 1–0 victory thanks to a goal from Marcel K (5C).

Well done to Quin M (5B), Joey S (5B), Samuel P (5B), Thiago U (5B), Francesco G (6L), David O (5C), Iyanuoluwa A (5B), Enrique L (5B), Elliot I (5B) and Marcel K (5C).

YEAR OF READING 2026

This year is the National Year of Reading, and we celebrated with three weeks of reading fun! It began with a visit from **AS Creatives**, where every class from Nursery to Year 6 took part in exciting workshops. Children explored creative writing, shared ideas, and used drama to bring stories to life, following the adventures of a character called Fillolog. It was a fantastic day, with children enthusiastically joining in and letting their creativity shine!

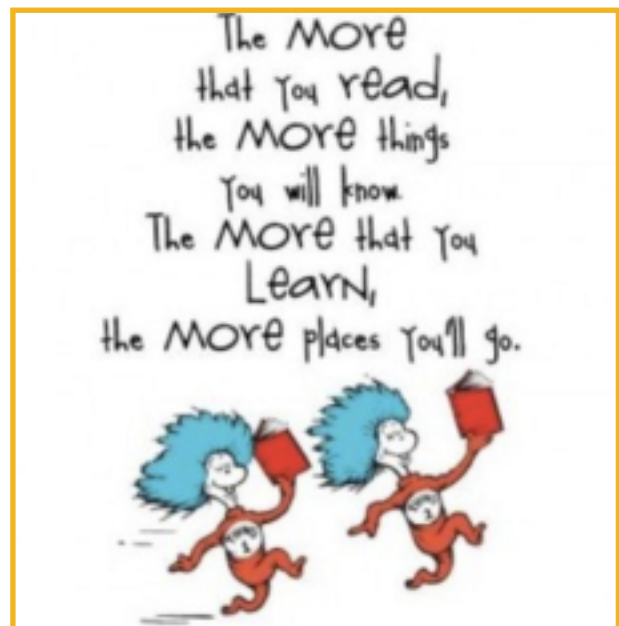


This led into our **World Book Day** celebrations, where Fillolog even made a return! Each class enjoyed follow-up activities from their workshops, and it was wonderful to see the fantastic range of book character costumes from both children and staff. A highlight of the day was our “**Book Buddies**” session, where older and younger pupils paired up to share stories—creating a truly special time celebrating a love of reading together.

On World Book Day, every child received a book token to enjoy. Our **Scholastic Book Fair** followed, offering a fantastic range of books and raising over £800. This means we now have £300 in rewards to spend on new books for our school!

It was a fantastic three weeks—thank you to all parents and carers for your support. Over the Easter holidays, we would encourage you to check your local libraries for free events for children. Please see the attached flyers for further information. Happy reading!

Special thanks to Mrs Lawton for organising these wonderful events in celebration of reading.



WORLD BOOK DAY





Mosaic supports children and young people across Dorset.

Mosaic was set up as a charity in 2007 to support children and young people who have been affected by the death of someone close to them, such as a parent, sibling, friend or a member of their extended family.

They are a unique service for the county, providing early-intervention support through specialist counselling to around 400 children and young people every year, and reaching around 1500 children and adults with ongoing support, advice and activities.

Mosaic's work is based around specialist bereavement counselling for children, aimed at listening to the child, understanding their grief and anxiety and helping them to ask questions about death, find ways of dealing with their emotions and importantly, to communicate with others, including their friends.

This work is evaluated using a national methodology shared with our funders and which enables the charity to embark on a constant journey of improvement.

A group of dedicated volunteers and trustees, working with the Mosaic staff, enable Mosaic to run various activity days for children across the year, strengthening peer support for those who've suffered a bereavement.

For more information please contact: <https://mosaicfamilysupport.org/about/>



BCP Council have

Vacancies

for

Passenger Assistants

To support children with SEND on their journeys to and from school daily.

You would need to be available (approx.)

7am – 10am and 2.30pm – 5pm daily.

Term Time only

Full training given to include First Aid, Epilepsy, Safeguarding, Autism and Induction, as well as on the job training with existing Passenger Assistants.

Both Male and Female applicants welcomed.

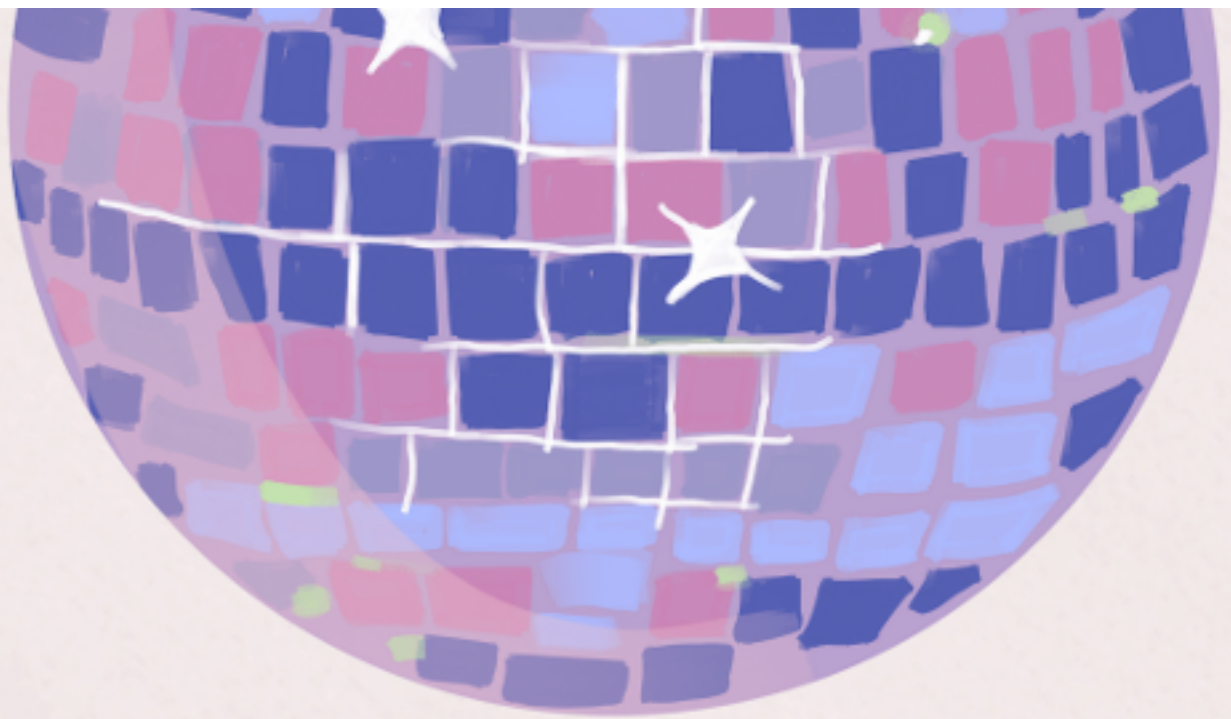
For a Job Description and Application form please email:

claire.vass@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Or call

01202 123683

for an informal chat.



PTA Disco

FRIDAY 15TH MAY

YEARS RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2

3.15 - 4.15

YEARS 3, 4, 5 AND 6

4.30 - 5.30

TICKETS £4

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School PTA

SUMMER FAYRE

**CASH
ONLY**



**Friday 3rd July
14.50 - 17.00
Main Playground**

**RAISING
MONEY FOR
THE SCHOOL**

**RAFFLE
TOMBOLA
GAMES**

BBQ

**PIMMS
SOFT
DRINKS**

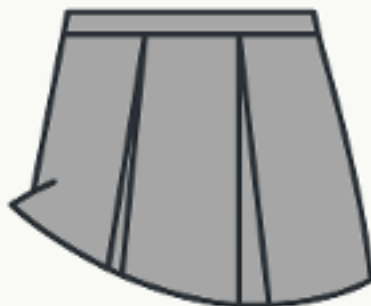
SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE

Tuesday 14th April

14.50 - 15.15

Main Playground

Cash only



JUMPERS /
CARDIGANS £3

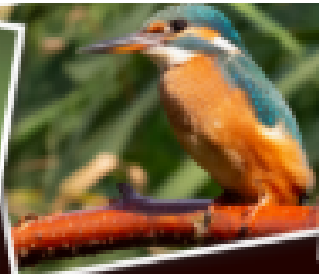
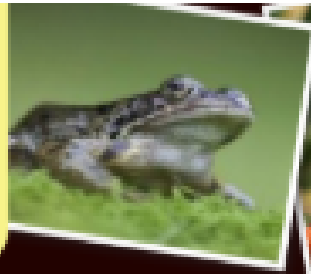
PE KIT £2

SHIRTS,
TROUSERS, SKIRTS
£1

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
EMAIL PTA@CCCPSCHOOL.COM

CHOG

Recording, Promoting & Restoring
Nature of the Christchurch Harbour Area



Young CHOG Pebbles on the Beach Walk Hengistbury Head

Saturday 21st February 10:00am

- > Meet 10.00am at Hengistbury Head Visitor Centre (BH6 4EW) Walk duration approx 2 hours
- > Connect with nature on a 2 mile walk along the Hengistbury shore-looking at pebbles and wildlife
- > Warm/waterproof clothing, plus towel in case sea conditions allow dipping our feet at the edge of the sea

Young CHOG Stanpit Marsh Night Walk

Friday 20th March 6:30pm

- > Meet 6.30pm at Stanpit car park (BH23 3ND-free parking). Walk duration approx 2 hours
- > Young CHOG out on night ops. around Stanpit Marsh
- > Bring warm/waterproof clothing and a head torch.

Young CHOG Spring Wake Up Day

Tuesday 7th April 10:00am

- > Meet 10.00am at Hengistbury Head Visitor Centre (finish 2.00pm)
- > Getting our young members (and parents) out and about connecting with nature
- > Bring warm/waterproof clothing-plus packed lunch

Young CHOG Nightjar Walk St Catherines Hill

Friday 29th May 7:15pm

- > Meet 7.15pm Marsh Lane car park (off Fairmile Road) BH23 2NH
- > The Nightjar is one of the most evocative of our Summer birds and once seen and heard never forgotten and mainly seen at dusk
- > Expect a lavish finish (10.15 expected-you know your children and whether this is too late)
- > Warm/waterproof clothing, plus binoculars, torch and midge repellent

Please Contact David Tainton / Valerie Kelly to reserve your free place

Email: dt1969@hotmail.co.uk | valerie.harry@live.co.uk



BCP Council Libraries Schools' Newsletter

March 2026



activities for children and families during the Easter holidays.

Check opening times for each library before visiting - bcpcouncil.gov.uk/libraries



LIBRARY LEGENDS



There's still plenty of time to join our Library Legends challenge. Have a go at some quests to earn stickers, collector cards and perhaps even a medal. It's free to join. Just ask for a booklet at any BCP library.



Bournemouth Library	Easter wreaths and bunny masks	Saturday 28 th March - Saturday 11 th April
Broadstone Library	Draw your favourite place in Broadstone - competition	1st April - 25 th April
Broadstone Library	Easter Bunny pop-up craft and Easter egg trail	1st April - 8 th April
Canford Heath Library	Kids' drop-in games afternoon	Monday 30 th March 14:15 - 16:15
Canford Heath Library	Drop-in Easter chicks craft Drop-in seed planting	Saturday 4 th April - 10:00-12:00 Thursday 9 th April - 10:30 - 12:30
Castlepoint Library	Drop-in crafts: make a bunny rabbit with a wooly scarf, a wooly sheep decoration and chicken bunting	Saturday 28 th March - Saturday 11 th April
Castlepoint Library	Easter egg hunt Seek-a-bunny	Monday 23 rd March - Saturday 11 th April Monday 13 th April - Saturday 2 nd May
Christchurch Library	Drop-in Easter Bunny headbands and crafts Design your own Easter egg - competition	Saturday 28 th March - Saturday 11 th April

Creekmoor Library	Drop-in Easter craft and colouring Easter treasure hunt	Saturday 28 th March - Saturday 11 th April
Ensbury Park Library	Children's seed planting session Make a cardboard bird	Tuesday 31 st March - 10:30 Tuesday 7 th April - 10:30
Hamworthy Library	Drop-in craft - make a bunny or a chick	Saturday 28 th March - Saturday 11 th April
Oakdale Library	Easter crafts with Altogether WI - BOOKING ESSENTIAL Drop-in Easter crafts and treasure hunt	Wednesday 1 st April - 14:30 - 15:30 Saturday 28 th March - Saturday 11 th April
Southbourne and Pokesdown Library	Drop-in bunny craft and Easter egg treasure hunt	Saturday 28 th March - Saturday 11 th April
Springbourne Library	Hello Spring make and do with Grounded Community Garden - plant a seed and craft gigantic sunflowers	Monday 30 th March - 14:00 - 16:00
Springbourne Library	Author talk with children's author Adam Topham based on his book 'A Fossil To Die For'	Saturday 28 th March - 10:30
Springbourne Library	Glass painting and children's Easter-themed craft	Tuesday 7 th April - 14:00- 16:00
Parkstone Library	Drop-in Easter craft	Saturday 28 th March - Saturday 11 th April
Rossmore Library	Winnie the Pooh and the Easter Hunt - storytime special Winnie the Pooh and the Easter Hunt book-themed crafts drop-in	Monday 30 th March - 15:30 - 16:00 Wednesday 1 st April - 15:00- 16:00
Tuckton Library	Easter Toddler Time - songs, stories and Easter craft	Tuesday 7 th April - 10:00- 11:00
Westbourne Library	Baby animal hunt Drop-in craft - make a bunny mask and an Easter lamb	Saturday 28 th March - Saturday 11 th April

Most libraries will have free activities for children and families during the Easter holidays.

If your local library is not on this list, give them a call to see what they're up to or have a look on their Facebook pages.

GO
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IN.

The National Year of Reading 2026

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Lu Lafair
Sensory
Hair neurodiverse
specialist

SENSORY FRIENDLY HAIRCUTS AT HOME

Low-demand, gentle cuts for anyone who:

- finds salons overwhelming
- has sensory needs
- needs movement and breaks
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