Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

Year 5 Curriculum Overview Autumn Term 2 2026

This half term, our Curriculum Enquiry Question is: Does adversity make us stronger?

Our School Gospel Virtue is **Justice.**
Catholic Social Teaching: Care for our Common Home

RE

Branch 2: Prophesy & Promise
We begin by looking at the rosary, a traditional, meditative prayer about events in the lives of Mary and Jesus.
The rest of the topic is based on David. We discuss what faith-led leadership looks like.
We finish by learning about the O Antiphons from Vespers (evening prayers) and how they are based on Isaiah's prophecies about the coming of the Messiah.
We will also continue to embed our Catholic Social Teaching understanding across all that we do and use our RE lessons to enhance this.

Catholic Character Education/RSHE

CCE: Virtue of Justice.
We will be recognising the importance of respecting everyone regardless of background, faith, disability or gender and recognise when it is right to speak out against discrimination.
RSHE: Created to Love Others explores the individual's relationship with others. Building on the understanding that we have been created out of love and for love, this module explores how we take this calling into our family, friendships and relationships, and teaches strategies for developing healthy relationships and keeping safe both online and in our daily lives.

English

We are reading Viking adventures about heroes, monsters and dragons. We will work on using correct speech punctuation and practise writing narratives where dialogue is used to develop characters and advance the action.

We will also study persuasive texts as our non-fiction text type, noting and reproducing their special use of language to produce adverts linked to our Geography topic.

In poetry we will use Norse myths and legends (as seen in our History and Geography work) to inspire us to write anthropomorphic poems.

Maths

This half-term we will continue to focus on multiplication and division. Particularly learning about multiples, factors, prime numbers and square numbers.

We will also be learning about fractions. In this unit we will recognise equivalent fractions, as well as ordering and comparing fractions less than 1.

Finally, we will learn how to accurately add and subtract mixed number fractions.

Geography

The topic this half term is Scandinavia. Children will develop their skills at describing location. They will understand what affects the climate and compare and contrast the climates of different parts of Scandinavia. They will revise key physical features and learn about the formation of fjords. A study of the economic activity and farming of the region will enable children to consider sustainable methods that can be adopted in other parts of the globe.

Arts and Culture

Art:
Illuminated letters

Music:
Nativity singing practice

Spanish:
Los Vikingos

Computing:
Using Scratch programming to create music.

Science

This half term in science, we will continue our work on forces, identifying the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces. Our work will also link to Design Technology as we explore mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears.

PE

Outdoor: Rugby
We will be focussing on passing, shooting, teamwork and elements of competition throughout this half term.
Indoor: Communication and Interaction
Through this topic, the children will develop their teamwork skills, organisation and fundamentals of working competitively.
5C Swimming lessons will replace part of the PE curriculum this half term. Both classes will be going separately this year because of pool availability. Children will work in small ability groups to develop their skills.

Curriculum Texts



A selection of Viking Adventures:
Viking Boy by Tony Bradman
Beowulf
How to train your dragon
Viking Sunset

General Information

PE Days:
5M PE on Tuesday and Friday
5C PE and swimming kit on Tuesday and PE kit on Wednesday

Homework:
Instructions will be posted on Google Classroom on a Thursday and the homework should be completed in their book. It is then due on Tuesdays.

Reading Records:
These are due on Fridays.

All children have access to times table rockstars to practise quick recall of the times table facts.

Water bottle - In school everyday and named.

Coats and jumpers - In school everyday and named.

Important Dates:

- *Thursday 17th December - Advent Service in the Church - All children to attend*
- *Friday 18th December - Last day of term*