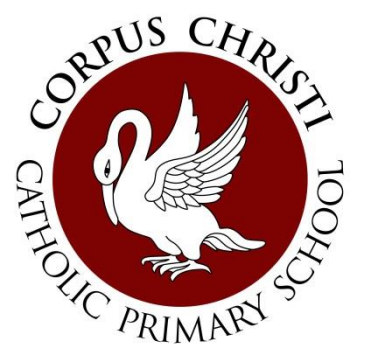




PROSPECTUS

Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire"
- St. Catherine of Siena



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Welcome to Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School

This prospectus has been designed to give you an insight into our school and to help you to decide whether Corpus Christi is the best fit for both you and your child.

We understand that choosing the right school for your child is one of the most important decisions you will make and it is essential that you have access to all the necessary information in order to help you to make this choice.

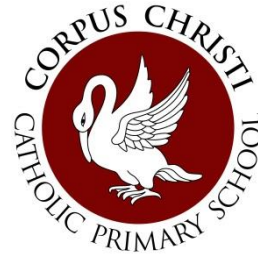
As a Catholic School we seek at all times to be a witness to Jesus Christ and the all-round education that children receive at our school is underpinned by Gospel values.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to ask. Moreover, please feel free to visit our school website where you will find lots of information about the inner workings of our school as well as our weekly newsletters.

You are also more than welcome to come and visit us here at Corpus Christi and any enquiries can be made via our school office.



Mrs Marie Baxter
Headteacher



Our Mission

Jesus Christ, the Way the Truth and the Life,
calls us all to share in His Life and his Mission.

We are the Body of Christ,
We are Corpus Christi!

Our Vision

The catholic Faith is taught, lived and witnessed in the daily life of our school, and our faith inspires and encourages us to reach out in love to others.

Recognising that everyone is made in the image and likeness of God, we will

- Encourage all to strive for excellence and achieve their individual God given potential
- Respect and nurture every child in our school
- Provide enriching, exciting and creative learning opportunities
- Prepare children for life in a modern and diverse society
- Work in partnership with our staff, Governors, parents, Parishes and the wider community for the good of all

As a Catholic school we are called to be a school of prayer reflecting on Sacred Scripture and celebrating the sacraments. Through this, we are inspired to lead and nurture every member of the school community to grow in the knowledge and love of Jesus as we pray and worship together.

The History of Our School

The school was opened in 1968 to serve the parishes of St. Joseph's Church in New Malden and St. Pius X in Norbiton. The school has strong links with both parishes and priests who visit regularly to celebrate Mass with us. We continuously aim to build upon the partnerships we have with our parish communities.

Our School Values

Our Ethos and Values

At Corpus Christi we have very high expectations and seek to educate our pupils, in terms of both academic achievement and social behaviour, to the highest possible standards. We encourage our children to use the gifts that God has given them so that they may reach their full potential.

In order for the children at our school to flourish we aim to provide a caring and engaging atmosphere and set the highest standards of courtesy, respect, kindness and hard work for all in our school. All members of our school community are expected to treat each other with kindness and tolerance at all times and these values inform the teaching at Corpus Christi.

Catholic Life of the School

Jesus is at the heart of all we think, do and say at Corpus Christi. We use the Gospel values and teachings of the Catholic Church to underpin every aspect of school life. Religious Education is taught as a core subject which makes up 10% of our curriculum. Prayer and worship are of key importance to us and weekly school assemblies are often centered around scripture from the Bible and the lessons we can learn from them.

We are also very proud of the close links which we have with our local parishes. As a school we celebrate Mass at St. Joseph's Church on Holy Days of Obligation and on Class Feast Days - parents are more than welcome to attend and share in this experience with their children.

Our 6 C's

At our school children are taught that to be a true Corpus Christi child is to be:

- Compassionate
- Creative
- Co-operative
- Curious
- Courageous
- Conscientious



We actively encourage the children at our school to strive to be the very best that they can be and our 6C's are a great stepping stone towards them achieving this.



"I was so impressed by the behaviour of the children and the respect they showed at Mass."

-Parishioner attending St. Joseph's Church



Establishing Early Foundations

Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

Our Early Years Foundation Stage consists of our Nursery and Reception classes. We are committed to providing the very best in care, support and education for all our children and believe that every child deserves the best possible start in life.

Children develop quickly and consequently a child's experiences in the Early Years can have a vast impact on their future. At Corpus Christi high quality teaching at this stage allows children every opportunity to make the most out of their abilities and to reach their full potential.

We aim to provide children with a safe and stimulating environment in which they can work, learn and play together. Staff prepare for the individual needs and interests of each child through daily observations, individual assessments and reviews of progress. We also promote the foundation of a strong, positive relationship between the home and school. We encourage our parents to become actively involved in working with us in supporting their child's education. Studies have shown that children learn best when home and school work in unison.

Within the Early Years there are seven key areas of learning and development, all of which are important and inter-connected. These areas are particularly crucial in igniting children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning; they also focus on building upon a child's capacity to learn, form meaningful relationships and to thrive. We would like to draw your attention to the following three key areas of learning:

- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Moreover, these three areas are strengthened by the importance we place on these five specific areas of the curriculum:

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design
- Religious Education

In Early Years we also encourage free-flow between our indoor and outdoor spaces to ensure that children have opportunities to play and learn in a variety of different environments.



The Children's Mission

May all children
In Corpus Christi
Show compassion and
co-operation
Share courage and creativity
In peace and love for one another
On their journey to follow in
God's footsteps
Now and forever as the
Body of Christ



Encouraging a Love of Learning

Key Stage 1 (KS1) & Key Stage 2 (KS2)

We provide a rich and varied curriculum for our KS1 and KS2 children which can be adapted to meet the needs of each child. All children at our school have access to the National Curriculum which includes the core subjects of English, Mathematics and Science. Other Foundation subjects include History, Geography, Computing, Design and Technology, Art and Design, Physical Education, PSHE (Physical, Social and Health Education) and Modern Foreign Language which, at Corpus Christi, is Spanish. Furthermore, as a Catholic School, Religious Education is embedded throughout our curriculum and is at the heart of all our learning.

We ensure that teaching of core subjects across the curriculum is delivered in a meaningful and engaging way. Establishing a rounded curriculum is a vital step in stimulating a child's love for learning and as a result of this we aim to teach many of our foundation subjects using a 'topic-based' approach, making cross-curricular links wherever possible.

Subjects such as Spanish and Music are taught by specialist teachers and Physical Education is taught by sports coaches in order to further develop children's skills.

Special Educational Needs

At Corpus Christi we strive to ensure that children with special educational needs are identified and given additional support as quickly as possible.

Parents are involved throughout this process and if it is necessary for the school to seek assistance from external professionals - for example, Speech Therapists or Educational Psychologists - we work closely with parents to arrange this. Permission will be obtained from parents before any decisions regarding external support are made so that we can ensure the best provision is made for their child.

We also hold SEND coffee mornings in school which any parents or carers are more than welcome to attend - each meeting will have a different specific focus and provides a useful forum for parents to ask any questions they may have about special educational needs and disabilities provision within school or at home.

"The school has a caring and encouraging environment, one which we are proud to be a part of."

- Year 6 Parent



Developing the Whole Child

At Corpus Christi we place great importance on developing the 'whole' child. Academic achievement is important, but we also strive to ensure that children develop morally, spiritually, emotionally, physically and socially to become responsible, well-adjusted individuals who will be a credit to their family, their school and their community.

Children as leaders

We believe that children should learn how to take responsibility and be given opportunities to develop their own leadership skills. Children from Years 1 to 6 are involved in discussing issues, suggesting solutions and shaping daily school life as part of our School Council. Encouraging our children to share their opinions and to listen to others helps us to create a happy and safe place for learning. Moreover, each year we elect a Head Boy and Girl, House Captains and Prefects to take on roles and responsibilities within the school.

Extra-Curricular Activities

We believe that every child within our school should have the chance to experience the wider curriculum. For this reason, we offer an extensive range of extra-curricular activities before school, during the school day and after school. Some of these clubs are organised by external agencies and others by our own school staff. A selection of the activities we offer includes Gardening club, Newspaper club, Mindfulness club, Choir, Bible club, Korean club, French, Spanish, Dance and Performing Arts classes, Karate, as well as a range of other sporting activities. Our clubs are designed to enrich and extend the children as they pursue their own interests and develop their skills.



Sports Teams

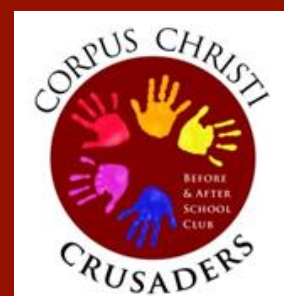
We are extremely proud of our sporting achievements at Corpus Christi. There are a number of sporting clubs which are run at Corpus Christi; these include, Football, Netball, Gymnastics, Nets and Racquets and Multisports and we have the opportunity to compete regularly in Borough competitions and tournaments.

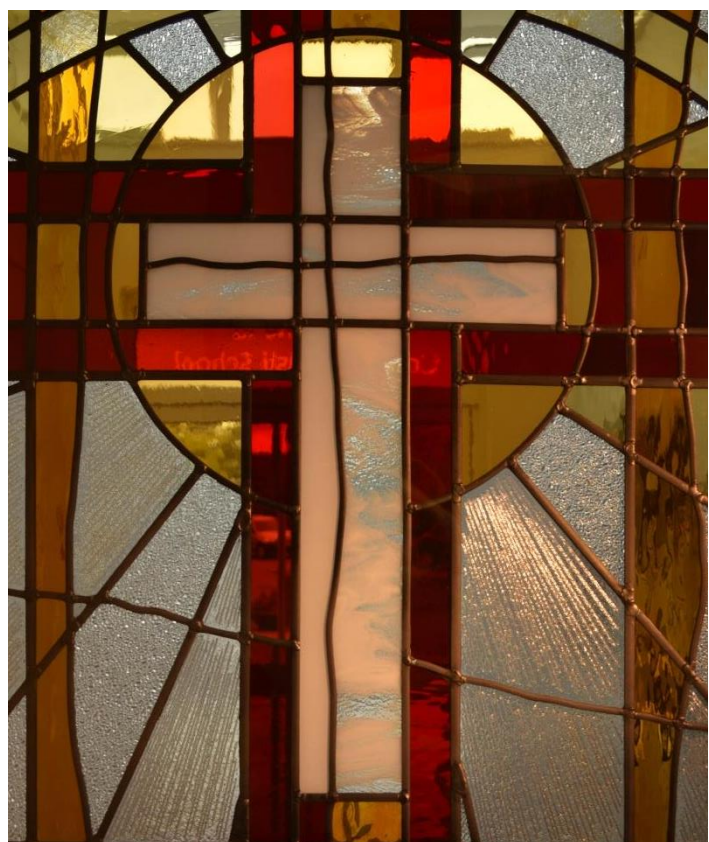
Educational Extras

Children take part in regular educational trips; in particular, these trips are aimed at enhancing our students' understanding of a topic being studied in class. Visitors to our school are also a regular feature of school life and bring relevance, excitement and enjoyment to the children's educational experience.

Before and After School Club

We are also delighted to be able to offer our own breakfast and afterschool club. Crusaders club aims to provide welcoming and stimulating wrap-around care for our children. Please contact our School Office for more information.





Our School Community

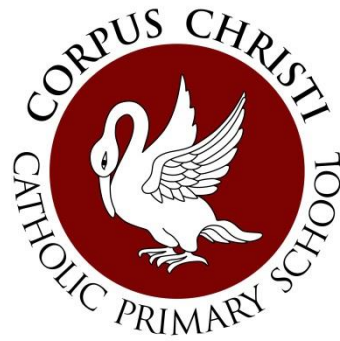
Working in Partnership with our Parents

It is our mission to be a nurturing, family school at the heart of the community. We believe that in order for a child to mature into a responsible, respectful and confident adult there needs to be a strong, committed partnership founded between the home and school. At Corpus Christi we strive to provide every child with the best quality education, working in close partnership with parents and carers so that our children develop a love for learning that will remain with them for the rest of their lives.

The school also produces weekly newsletters which enable our parents to learn more about the day to day workings of our school and to celebrate in our children's achievements with us; these are sent to parents via email and can also be found on our school website.

Parents and Teachers Association (PTA)

We have a very successful PTA here at Corpus Christi, who work tirelessly to raise money for our school. The PTA meets regularly to organise and co-ordinate school events with the Headteacher and school staff. Our PTA is open to all parents and carers and we would encourage our parents to get involved, in any way that they can, with this integral part of our school community.



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