



# Corpus Christi Catholic Primary

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE... MATTHEW 5



Dear Families

We will be celebrating our Harvest Mass in church on Thursday 24th October at 10am. Once again, we would appreciate donations for the Bensham Food Co-op.

Any products with a long shelf life would be greatly appreciated. This could include:

- Tinned fruit and vegetables
- Sugar
- Flour
- Oil
- Soup
- Tea and coffee
- Hot chocolate
- Long life milk
- Pasta
- Wrapped biscuits
- Cereal



Donations can be brought in to school and placed in the boxes in the school entrance up until the morning of Tuesday 22nd October.

Thank you for your support! We look forward to seeing you at Mass – as always the children's singing is wonderful!

Warmest Wishes

Mrs Maxwell

## BOOK LOOK

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October (3.30 to 5.00pm)**

Next Monday, there will be an opportunity for parents of children from Y1 to Y6, to pop into school and have a look at their children's work. Teachers will also be available at this time to answer any questions.

After half term and following our 'Book Look' session, Class Teachers will be in touch to organise a time for a 1-1 ten-minute telephone call to discuss how children have settled into their new classes and the progress they are making.

**Nursery and Reception Parents will have a 1-1 face to face meeting with their Class Teachers.**

## Transition to Secondary School

The closing date for secondary school applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024. Can Y6 parents please make sure they have submitted their form by the closing date. Gateshead Admissions have informed us that for last year's intake a number of children across the area were initially left with no secondary school place, as their parents failed to submit an application on time. Secondary school places are extremely limited across Gateshead, and it is essential that parents apply before the closing date. Please contact Gateshead Admissions Department if you are unsure about this.

*The sky is blue,  
the grass is green,  
there is not much  
I have not seen.  
I fought a war,  
For me and you.  
It came unseen,  
out of the blue.  
So many lives,  
That we have lost  
So many days  
That we had  
fought.  
The sky went grey,  
The grass is dead,  
Birds flew away,  
All we wanted was  
a bed.  
by Macsen, Year 6*

Recently KS2 were lucky enough to be involved in a poetry workshop online, hosted by the National Literacy Trust and Royal British Legion. The workshop was focused on remembrance poetry and our children were able to listen to the work of Nikita Gill. She then supported them through writing the beginnings of their own poems based on the theme of remembrance.

Nikita spoke about her own process of writing poetry. Surprisingly, she starts at the end of a poem and works backwards-something we hadn't considered before! Her poem 'Who You Are' is a tribute, not just to the servicemen of the two world wars but to the regular people who did extraordinary things in times of need. These are the people who she said inspired her the most.

Out of 150 schools taking part in each workshop, the work of our children was selected to be read out live during the webinar. Both poems can be read here. As always, we are very proud of the children of Corpus Christi



### **Majestic Poppies**

**Mythical, majestic poppies  
Sway in the whistling wind  
Representing hopeful  
peace.**

**by Nael, Year 4**

We are always looking for volunteers to help out with trips etc. If this is something you feel you could help us with, please contact our School Office.

Our brand new school website is now live. Please check it out on : <https://corpuschristigateshead.bwcet.com/>

Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	KS2 Remembrance Poetry Webinar	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	Mini Vinnies Meeting	3.30pm to 4.30pm
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	KS1 Multi Sports Event	Gateshead Stadium
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Other Faiths assembly (Y1 to Y6)	
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	BOOK LOOK (Y1-Y6)	3.30pm to 5.00pm Parents welcome into school to see children's work.
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Mini Vinnies Meeting	3.30pm to 4.30pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Y5/6 Workshops with Northumbria Police	
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Other Faiths assembly (Y1 to Y6)	
Thursday October 24 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Mass – Whole School	10.00am in Corpus Christi Church. All Families Welcome
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Last day at school before half term holiday	

OCTOBER DATES FOR THE DIARY