

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 23, 2024, NEWSLETTER

THE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school! What better way to promote reading to our students than by supporting this important literary event on **Wednesday, February 28 – Friday, March 1**. Viewing books at school will be available to students during classes in session: 9 - 3:00pm. After school purchases will be available from 3:00 - 3:45 pm. Please note that children coming to the book fair after school must be supervised by a parent.

DRESS DOWN DAY is Monday, February 26, 2024.

Theme: This Spring our theme is “**Be Groovy and Celebrate by Reading the Classics**” Students will be invited to dress as a retro/classic character or author from a book. Some examples could include characters from Scooby Doo, Narnia, Alice in Wonderland, Percy Jackson, Nancy Drew or Sherlock Holmes (As in all school events, please no weapons, blood or gory characters).



Golden Ticket & Family Event Door Prize: This spring we will have a Golden Ticket draw for one student per classroom and the Family Event Door Prize. The winners of the Golden Ticket will be awarded \$10 and for the Door Prize the winning student will be awarded \$25 for their family and \$25 for their classroom. The Family Door Prize winner will be announced virtually, Thursday afternoon.

Please note there are no longer on-line orders that will be accepted, and all purchases must be made in person.

Thank you for your support and making reading an important part of our school!

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME

Mrs. Chang will be starting her Maternity Leave after Spring Break. We wish her and her family much joy and happiness as they await the birth of their third child. Please keep them in your prayers.

We are pleased to announce that Ms. Brackett will be covering Mrs. Chang's maternity leave on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays will be working in Gr. 7A on Thursdays. Please give her a warm welcome.



UPCOMING PARISH SURVEY

Dear Parents,
Exciting news! Our parish survey for parents launches on March 3rd! Share your thoughts on your children's experience in our community and help shape their faith journey.

Survey Focus:

Financial Transparency: Provide your insights on giving and financial sustainability for a thriving parish.
Motivation and Engagement: Share hopes and suggestions for engaging activities, new programs, and building a stronger sense of community among families.

The survey will be available online and in paper form until March 15th and takes just 5 minutes of your time. Your input actively shapes the environment for your children so please encourage other parents to participate. Together, let's build a vibrant, faith-filled community where our children can flourish!

Thank you for your continued support.

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK – Sharing Our School Spirit

Special thanks to Mrs. Parker, Ms. Murphy and the Gr. 6 students for organizing a fun filled week of activities, emphasizing the importance of Catholic education.



Corpus Christi School
2360 Waverley Ave
Vancouver BC V5P4K5

15th February 2024

Dear Principal,
I would like to give a word of thanks for the Valentine card I received yesterday. I was just leaving my suite and going outside for breakfast and I noticed this valentine card sitting on the ledge outside the door. I wondered where it came from and the name inside was Nadia, who is Nadia? When I went downstairs, I was told that the students from Corpus Christi had made the cards for the people in Shannon Oaks. I would like to thank you and Nadia for her good work.

To me it opens a door to think of a greater love that has been shown that God has revealed his great love for us when he sent his beloved son into this world not only for his perfect life but for his great sacrifice when he died upon the cross to put away our sins. This reveals his great love for all.

Thank you again for this kind thought and I often walk up the street past the school and see the children playing outside happy and enjoying themselves.
Warmest Regards,
Redmond Blair,
Shannon Oaks.



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CARNAVAL

Special Thanks to Ms. Antunes for organizing Carnival. Also, thanks to the Gr. 7 Students who demonstrated the activities to the students. Well Done!



TUITION TAX RECEIPT 2023

Tuition Tax Receipts 2023 are ready for pick up in the school lobby.

DAY LIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Mar 10, 2024 - Daylight Saving Time Starts

When local standard time is about to reach

Sunday, March 10, 2024, **2:00:00 am** clocks are turned **forward** 1 hour to

Sunday, March 10, 2024, **3:00:00 am** local daylight time instead.

Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour later on Mar 10, 2024 than the day before.

There will be [more light in the evening](#).

Also called [Spring Forward](#), [Summer Time](#), and [Daylight Savings Time](#).

Daylight saving time 2024 in Canada will begin at 3:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 10, 2024

TRAFFIC/PARKING LOT SAFETY

Regulations in the parking lot are in place to ensure the safety of the children. It is essential that parents follow the instructions of staff and yard supervisors on duty.

If asked, Corpus Christi parents are expected to follow instructions respectfully and comply.

PARKING BYLAWS

Do not park on the wrong side of the road and or double park.

Not only is it illegal and warrants a ticket, but it is also dangerous. Please respect traffic laws, the children and their families.

Please Read City of Vancouver Street and Traffic By-law NO. 2849

<https://bylaws.vancouver.ca>

19.1 An owner, registered owner, lessee or operator of a vehicle must not cause, allow or permit that vehicle to stop on a lane:

(e) opposite to or in close proximity to another vehicle already stopped in the lane in such manner as to obstruct the free movement of other vehicles.

APPROPRIATE OUTDOOR WINTER CLOTHING

For colder weather, especially during snowfalls and rain, please make sure your children are dressed suitably (winter coats, hats, mitts, boots) for outside recess times.

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UNIFORM REMINDERS

Parents, please label all uniform items (shirts, pants, kilts, shorts, etc.) with a permanent black marker. If your child's name has faded, please re-write the name.

Please check uniform labels (your child may be wearing someone's golf shirt, sweater, shirt, pants, kilt, gym shirt, or gym shorts) If you notice another student's name, please return the item to your child's classroom teacher.

Please ensure that uniforms are neat in appearance, you may need to hem pants or kilts and patch any tears in clothing items. Thank you.

WEATHER MEMO...

Please review following procedures should the school close due to weather conditions.

1. Visit the school website—<http://www.corpuschristi-school.ca>
2. Check your email
3. Listen to CKNW (980 AM) or watch Global News.

It is the parent(s) responsibility to verify if the school will be open due to the weather based on the information sources noted above.

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT (British Columbia Specific Information)

Corporal punishment is the intentional use of physical force to cause bodily pain or discomfort as a penalty for unacceptable behaviour. Corporal punishment includes any action that produces discomfort, such as:

- Spanking, hitting, slapping, pinching, ear pulling, jabbing, shoving, or choking.
- Forcing a child to assume a position that becomes painful over time.
- Confining a child in an uncomfortable space.
- Denying bathroom privileges.
- Forcing a child to eat a noxious substance, such as soap or dog food.
- Withholding water and food.

Corporal punishment is not an effective method of managing behaviour. It does not teach a child how to act properly. At best, corporal punishment has only a temporary effect on behaviour. And it may even make it worse. Not only does it reinforce some problem behaviour, but also it teaches a child that physical force is the way to resolve conflict.

Corporal punishment can also have emotional and psychological effects, both short- and long-term, such as:

- Impairing a child's trust and confidence.
- Causing embarrassment, humiliation, a sense of worthlessness, anger, resentment, and confusion.
- Causing children to have trouble forming close relationships, especially intimate relationships, with others later in life.

Studies have shown that children who are physically punished are more likely to be physically aggressive with others. There are lots of other ways to discipline your child. Effective alternatives to corporal punishment depend on the age of your child and include:

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- Using distraction.
- Using time-out.
- Talking about why a certain behaviour is wrong and what can be done instead.
- Discussing values.

Creating consequences for actions that violate acceptable behaviours within your family.

Research has shown that positive reinforcement is more effective than corporal punishment. Catch your child doing something right and praise him or her. Don't wait until your child has done something wrong to notice his or her behaviour.

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca>

Related Information

- [Anger, Hostility, and Violent Behaviour](#)
- [Bullying](#)
- [Child Abuse and Neglect](#)
- [Effective Parenting: Discipline](#)
- [Helping Your Child Build Inner Strength](#)

ANTI BULLYING Pink T-Shirt Day or Pink Accessory Day

Thursday, February 29, 2024, we encourage everyone to practice kindness and wear pink to symbolize that you do not tolerate bullying. Students that do not wear pink, must wear their school uniform.



SPRING BREAK – March 8th Early Dismissal @ 12:05pm, March 11 – March 22