



Plymouth CAST & The Catholic Children's Society Plymouth Charity Day 25th October 2025

On Friday 25th October Plymouth CAST held a Trust wide fundraising day for The Catholic Children's Society Plymouth (CCSP). Central team colleagues joined in with schools as part of our 10 year anniversary celebrations helping raise funds for CCSP.



Zoe Batten helped on the cake stall at Our Lady's Barnstaple, they held a rock star themed day!



St Mary's Penzance held a non-uniform day!



St. Joseph's, Poole raised over £200 for the Catholic Children's Charity on the day. The children in Upper school made a 'human 10' in the playground whilst those in Lower school made number '10' posters, collected and counted '10' leaves and even watched the '10' episode of Numberblocks. We all had great fun!

At Priory Torquay the children began the day with Celebration Assembly followed by MASS where Plymouth CAST were prayed for in church. The children spent time completing crafts and held a party! The children have had a mufti day and have raised £150 so far!



St Mary's Buckfast held Harvest Mass at Buckfast Abbey's Blessed Sacrament Chapel, followed by refreshments for families and friends afterwards. We raised just over £100 for the Catholic Children's Society.



Sacred Heart Paignton



At St John's, Camborne we celebrated by wearing something blue, ice-creams for everyone, decorated jars, decorated biscuits, made crowns and various craft activities in every class.

The children had a wonderful day and went home with memories of a wonderful last day of term.

Together with a harvest coffee and cake afternoon we have raised £218.91 for Catholic Children's Society Plymouth.

Pupils from St Mary's Catholic Primary School in Axminster placed their gold and silver coins on an outline of the Plymouth CAST 10th anniversary logo for their fundraising event to celebrate this special anniversary.

Children and staff from all year groups across the school, parents and parishioners were invited to lay their coins during the school day.

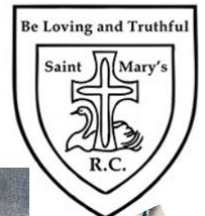
Pupils and Staff were joined by Role Colpus-Fricker - The Chief Operating Officer for Plymouth CAST who joined by laying her own coins. The coins will now be totalled.

In the evening, a school disco was held and all monies made from the sale of glow bands during the disco will also be added to the final total donated to Plymouth Catholic Children's Society.



At St Mary's Swanage, we had a special day of celebration for the 10th anniversary of Plymouth CAST.

We had a dress down day and brought donations in for the Children's Society – Plymouth.



We ended the day with a time of worship when we sang our school hymn, shared our own mission prayer and the new prayer written for this special day.

We spent some of the morning working together with other classes to make some hanging decorations that celebrated the Trust and our school values and the different areas of Catholic Social Teaching.

Today, at St John's Catholic Primary School in Tiverton, we celebrated the 10th anniversary of the formation of our multi academy trust- Plymouth CAST. To mark this special event, we held a fundraising activity day where the children brought in gold and silver coins to lay on the outline of our anniversary logo. We welcomed Karl Murphy Barnes, the chief finance officer from Plymouth CAST, who joined us for this celebration.

Thank you to our GIFT team who drew the logo on a large scale for us. We have now collected up all the coins and will let you know a final total which will be donated to the Plymouth Catholic Children's Society once the coins have been counted!



On Friday 25th October, St Mary's Marnhull celebrated CAST's 10th Anniversary by coming to school in non-school uniform. By doing this we raised over £100! The whole school took part in 10 sporting activities which had been organised and led by the GIFT Team.



Nichola Nelson (SBM) from the central team was challenged to attend the Plymouth primary schools to view their 10th Anniversary celebrations!

St Peters

All children and staff were in mufti today. Following a whole school assembly, an assault course was set up in the hall. I was asked to take part! Later today, they were making a "10" from 2 pence pieces on the playground.

St Pauls

Children and staff were dressed in their finest clothes. Two pupils were delighted to show me their curtsey. I felt like a queen! Working in conjunction with Catered, the cook Sandra, produced some amazing muffins.

St Josephs

Children and staff were in mufti. This was a great opportunity to showcase our minibus.

Cathedral

Children and staff were in mufti. Year 5 pupils were keen to tell me all they had learnt about Plymouth CAST and the 10 year celebrations. They were keen to showcase their tree showing the values.

Keyham Barton

An array of activity, a hive of hard work, organisation and excitement was palpable through the school. From Reception class making tree decorations and banners showing the school logo and the 10 year Plymouth CAST logo. Each task had a theme linked to the assembly prayer, which in turn links to the values. Each task then went on a pilgrimage as an offering to the wider community – Keyham Green Space, Co-op, Doctors surgery and even to our Head Office. I was delighted to be presented with the banner that it on its own pilgrimage to Edmund Rice building.

Holy Cross

With reception making rosary beads to year 5 drawing baskets holding fish to feed the 5,000, all linking into the gospel values. Pebbles were decorated, plenty of cakes made by their wonderful Catered team. And to end the day a bake sale to raise further funds.



You can read more about the fantastic day held at Keyham Barton Plymouth [here!](#)