



St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School

News & Updates

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Gospel Value of the Week

Responsibility – Lord, Hear Our Prayer

Let us celebrate...

- ✓ World Nursery Rhyme Week – thank you to our parents and carers who have embraced the week at home, our children have been immersed in language, rhyme and rhythm.
- ✓ Our Secret Reader is certainly a hit with our younger children. The suspense of waiting to find out who their Secret Reader is has sparked further enthusiasm for reading.
- ✓ Our Read with Me sessions that were so well attended in Early Years this week. Our children were beyond excited to welcome their family members into school and share such positive reading experiences with you. Together we are creating a love of reading.
- ✓ The mature manner in which our children immersed themselves in Anti-Bullying week. They reflected on what makes our school a safe place, the adults who they can go to for help and how we can tackle bullying together.
- ✓ The outstanding performance from our talented Indoor Athletics Team – impressive skill, technical ability and more importantly, sportsmanship.

Attendance

Our whole school attendance target is **97%**. We monitor attendance daily and are working together as a whole school community to ensure that we are aiming for our children to attend school 100% of the time.

Attendance matters because our children matter to us.

Class	Weekly Attendance	Year to date
Reception	99.2%	93.7%
Year 1	94.7%	93.7%
Year 2	97.4%	98.4%
Year 3	100%	97.8%
Year 4	98%	95.3%
Year 5	93.1%	94.9%
Year 6	96.9%	95.1%
Total	97%	95.6%

Stars of the Week

I am proud to share with you our Stars of the Week. These children have been specially chosen for impressing their class teachers, inspiring their friends and by living out our School Motto.

Class	Star of the Week
2YO	Myla-Lilly
Foundation 1	Aidan
Foundation 2	Ivan
Year 1	Hisham
Year 2	Esmail K
Year 3	Charlotte
Year 4	Joshua
Year 5	Lewis
Year 6	Amelia-Rose

Punctuality

It is so important that our children arrive at school on time every day.

Lateness = Lost Learning

Figures below are calculated over a school year	
Minutes late	Days of learning lost
5 minutes late each day	3 days lost
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost

Uniform

Parents are asked to make every effort to ensure that the correct uniform is worn on all school occasions by all children from Foundation to KS2. Well presented, smart children feel good; they enjoy being in school and work well.

Please let us know if providing a school uniform is a challenge for you and your family. We are always willing and able to help.

Uniform Policy Reminders

All black school shoes or all black trainers only.
A school tie is to be worn as part of full school uniform

Jewellery must not be worn for health and safety reasons. If your child comes to school with earrings in, they will be offered microporous tape (breathable & low allergy) to cover them up so that they are safe.

Nursery Rhyme Week

This week we have celebrated the importance of nursery rhymes in early childhood development.



There is a reason we learn nursery rhymes as young children. They help us develop an ear for our language. Rhyme and rhythm highlight the sounds and syllables in words. Understanding sounds and syllables help children learn to read and write.

It has been a wonderful week being able to welcome many of our new parents and carers into school for our Read with Me sessions. There are few things as powerful as regularly reading to a young child. It has astonishing benefits: comfort and reassurance, confidence and security, relaxation, happiness and fun. Giving a child time and full attention when reading them a story tells them they matter. It builds self-esteem, vocabulary, feeds imagination and even improves their sleeping patterns. Make time for a bedtime story this weekend.

Mrs Bellis-Knox

Twitter

Follow us on Twitter to see photographs, celebrations and key announcements - @StCuthbertsPri

Website

Access our school website in order to access key information and updates about our school –
StCuthberts.School

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Christmas - Dates for your Diary 2022

 Christmas Celebrations 		
Celebration	Date	Time
Sing a Long F1 & 2Y0	Thursday 8 th December <i>(families invited)</i>	9:15 – 9:45am
Sing a Long Y2	Thursday 8 th December <i>(families invited)</i>	2:15 – 2:45pm
The Nativity F2	Tuesday 13 th December <i>(families invited)</i>	9:30 – 10:15am
Christmas Performance Y3 & Y4	Thursday 15 th December <i>(families invited)</i>	10:00 -11:00am
Christmas Story Session Y5 & Y1	Friday 16 th December <i>(families invited)</i>	10:00 – 10:45am
Christingle Service Y6	Monday 19 th December <i>(families invited)</i>	2:00pm – 2:30pm
Attendance Assembly Whole School	Tuesday 20 th December <i>(School Only)</i>	9:30 – 10:00am
Christmas Carols Whole School	Wednesday 21 st December <i>(School Only)</i>	9:30 – 10:00am
 PTA Events 		
Own Clothes Day	Friday 25 th November Friday 9 th December	Kindness Hamper (Donations)
Elf Day	Friday 2 nd December	50p donation for Alzheimer's Society
Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday 8 th December	50p donation for Save the Children
Christmas Bingo (School Hall)	Tuesday 13 th December 3:30 – 4:30pm	£2.00 per book <i>Tuck Shop Available</i>
Christmas Movie with Santa	Thursday 15 th December <i>(during school time)</i>	£2.00 per child

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