



St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School

News & Updates

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Gospel Value of the Week

Bravery

"Wait on the Lord, be strong, take heart." Psalm 27

Let us celebrate...

- ✓ We had a visit from Maria McGarry the Diocesan Schools Officer this week. She was very impressed with our Catholic School and the tremendous work that the children, staff and governors are doing.
- ✓ Congratulations to our Year 3 & Year 4 Dodgeball Team who had an amazing time competing against other schools across the city in the LSSP event.
- ✓ Thank you for the support from those who were able to attend our Read with Me sessions in Early Years. The positive impact that you have when reading with our children is wonderful – together we are creating a Reading for Pleasure culture.
- ✓ SkootSkool has been a huge success with our Year 3 children. The LSSP programme teaches our children how to ride a scooter safely, increases physical activity, and develops balance and spatial awareness all whilst having a lot of fun.

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	90%	90.3%
Year 1	92.1%	97.3%
Year 2	95.2%	94.6%
Year 3	98%	97.9%
Year 4	98.6%	97.2%
Year 5	96.7%	97.2%
Year 6	95%	95.2%
Total	95.1%	95.7%

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	Hadeel
Nursery	Pearl
Reception	Leo
Year 1	Yoosuf
Year 2	Hisham
Year 3	Bhavish
Year 4	Pragathi
Year 5	Jayden
Year 6	Daisy

In love with Christ: Be the best I can. Be kind to one another. Amen



As a school, we invest in TT RockStars (Y1-Y6), an app accessible in school and at home, in order to support our children in learning their Times Tables. Time Tables serve as a building block for higher-level maths concepts. With a strong understanding of multiplication, children will succeed with topic such as division, fractions, algebraic equations & more!

The logical order to learn Times Tables:

Year 2: 2s, 5s & 10s

Year 3: 3s, 4s & 8s

Year 4 / 5: 11s, 6s, 9s 12's & 7s

Please work with school in encouraging your child / children to access TT RockStars regularly.

Please click this link to find out more:
<https://www.ttrockstars.com/parents/>



To support our children (Y1-Y6) with their spelling, we have invested in Spelling Shed, an app that is accessible both at home and school for children to practise their spellings.

Going forward, class teachers will upload their weekly spellings onto the app on a Friday and these will be live (in Assignments) for children to practice for a week. Please note all children will continue to receive a paper list of their spellings in the event you cannot access the app.

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Please click this link to access spellings:
<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/>

Year 1- Year 6 Homework Reminder

It is essential that we work together to support our children in completing homework tasks. A consistency in approach will support learning.

Homework: is given to children (in a homework book) on a Friday afternoon and is expected to be returned by Tuesday of the following week. Please note that time will be made available on a Monday for teachers to clarify any misconceptions that the children may have.

A Dojo message is sent by the class teacher informing parents and carers of the homework tasks set.

Spellings: are given to children on a Friday to learn for their weekly spellings on the following Friday.

Reading books and records: We ask for these to be brought into school every day. The class teacher will monitor these frequently and children will be listened to read on a regular basis.

Year 1 & 2 are sent home with a Read to Me book each Friday for you to read and discuss together. We would ask for these to be returned each Friday so that they can be changed.

If you have any homework queries please speak directly with the class teacher. Thank you for your continuous support.

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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