



# St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School



## News & Updates

15.3.24

### Gospel Value of the Week

#### Optimism

*"I plead with you – never, ever give up on hope; never doubt, never tire and never become discouraged. Be not afraid."  
Pope John Paul II*

### Let us celebrate...

- ✓ Year 6 had an absolutely amazing time at their residential this week. The time they spent together in Hucklow was filled with exciting adventures, fun and laughter. Staff made it possible for our children to make memories that will most definitely last a lifetime – I can't thank them enough!
- ✓ Our Year 4 football team worked with co-operation, resilience and determination on the pitch at a highly competitive LSSP tournament this week. I am so proud of how they represented our school so brilliantly – well done boys!
- ✓ A lucky group of children visited the M&S Arena to attend the Artistic British Gymnastics Championships which they thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated. Such enrichment opportunities encourage our children to dream, aspire and to achieve. Anything is possible!
- ✓ Year 3's Stay & Pray was a beautiful celebration of prayer and reflection which the children had carefully thought about, planned and then shared with their families. It was a beautiful and powerful school community gathering.
- ✓ British Science Week provided so many opportunities for our children to explore the 2024 theme of Time - the key to so many discoveries in science, technology, engineering and maths.

### 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.**

	Weekly Attendance	Year to date
Reception	89.7%	90.3%
Year 1	94.5%	95.7%
Year 2	93.5%	91.9%
Year 3	96.7%	95%
Year 4	98%	96.3%
Year 5	96%	96.3%
Year 6	98.7%	94.7%
<b>Total</b>	95.3%	94.3%

Persistent Absenteeism = 90% attendance or below  
Severe Absenteeism = 50% attendance or less

### 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	Noah
Nursery (am)	Fareeha
Nursery (pm)	Patrick
Reception	Freddie
Year 1	Nola
Year 2	Thomas
Year 3	Ivy-Mae
Year 4	AJ
Year 5	Freya
Year 6	William & Lucabella

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

## Events Next Week

### School Events

Event	Date	Time
Dress the Egg Competition	18.3.24	£1 per entry
British Science Week Poster Competition	18.3.24	NA
St Cuthbert's Feast Day	20.3.24	9am-9.30am
Elmer Day (children to dress in brightly coloured clothing / accessories)	22.3.24	50p donation for Alzheimer's Society

### Dress the Egg Competition

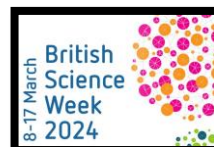


We can't wait to see your designs for our Dress the Egg Competition.

Please bring them into school on Monday 18th March along with your £1 donation.

Prizes will be given for creativity & imagination!

### British Science Week Poster Competition



Our children have been asked to get creative and enter the British Science Week annual, UK-wide poster competition! To enter, they simply need to create a poster which fits in with the theme of 'Time'. All entries must be submitted by Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March – Good Luck scientists!

### Extra-Curricular Clubs

There will be no extra-curricular clubs in the last week of term (25.3.24 - 28.3.24).

After the Easter Holidays, a newly revised summer term timetable will be sent home indicating the clubs available to our children.

We invite all of our children Y1-Y6 to partake within these enrichment opportunities.

### Early Finish

In readiness for the Easter holidays, all children will finish school on

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm**

Please note that our After-School Club provision will finish for Easter on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March and will therefore not be available on the last day of term.

### Staff Training Days

For your information and for family planning purposes, please see below the dates for the two remaining Staff Training Days.

Training Day 4: Thursday 2nd May 2024

Training Day 5: Monday 22nd July 2024

Please note – the choice for having a Training Day on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May is due to our school being selected by LCC to be used as a polling station for the Local Elections. Safety for our school community is always a priority.

### 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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