



St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School

News & Updates

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Gospel Value of the Week

Belonging

"...I belong to Him whom the angels serve." St Agnes

Gospel Value Awards

At Cuthbert's, we focus each week on a Gospel Value which are fundamental values for our school and guide us in our Christian lives. These Gospel Values are based on what Jesus said, did and told us to do. They are at the root of Catholic social teaching and so, are at the heart of our school and everything we do. These values are shared with our children through Collective Worship and are reinforced through our teaching. By demonstrating and recognising these values in our daily lives, we can fulfil our school mission statement, 'as missionaries of our faith.'

Class	Gospel Value Award
2YO	Ayla
Nursery	Pearse
Reception	Theodore
Year 1	Vincentt
Year 2	Jenson
Year 3	Joel
Year 4	Bhavish
Year 5	Saswin
Year 6	Joy

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	96.3%	95.1%
Year 1	93.3%	92.6%
Year 2	100%	99%
Year 3	97.7%	94.8%
Year 4	100%	98.3%
Year 5	100%	98.1%
Year 6	99.4%	95.5%
Total	98.1%	96.2%

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	Nyla
Nursery	Ophelia
Reception	Myla
Year 1	Leo
Year 2	Christopher
Year 3	Kareema
Year 4	Ada
Year 5	Ambra
Year 6	Vincent

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

Let us celebrate ...

- ✓ Thank you to Fr Liam and our RE Governor for joining us in prayer as we celebrated our intentions for the new school year together at our Welcome Service.
- ✓ Our 2YO and Nursery children started school this week. Many are new to our setting and what a joy it has been to have them with us. They have been impressively brave and confident and are already settling into life at St Cuthbert's.
- ✓ We enjoyed our annual Newsham Park Run with Y4, 5 & 6 running into the new school year with both confidence and perseverance. We have so many talented athletes to consider for our upcoming cross-country season!
- ✓ Thank you so much to all parents / carers who were able to attend the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions delivered this week. Staff were delighted to be able to meet you, to share information and expectations with you and to start the school year on a positive.

Homework

Homework Books – they will be sent home each Friday to be returned on Tuesday (alternate English / Maths each week).

Y3-Y6 - Reading Books – children will complete an AR Quiz when they have read their home reading book before selecting the next.

Reception, Y1 & Y2 - Read Write Inc. - books will be sent home each Wednesday and Read with Me Books each Friday.

Ed-Shed – weekly spellings will be uploaded to Ed-Shed. The minimum expectation is for children to access them 7 times per week. Each class will have a spelling challenge on Fridays.

TT Rock Stars – times tables underpin the mathematics curriculum and regular practice and consolidation is hugely important. Children will access a fluency challenge on Fridays.

Homework will be posted on Class Dojo each Friday.

Statutory Guidance from the DfE (August 2024) Working Together to improve school attendance:

Our school day starts at 8.45am

If children arrive at school between 8.46am-9.15am they will be marked as L – late. Children who are persistently late will be referred to our Attendance Officer and Education Welfare Officer.

If children arrive at school after 9:15am a 'U Code' (unauthorised absence) will be issued for the morning session. 10 U codes will automatically result in a penalty notice (an £80 fine which will increase to £160 if not paid within 28 days)

Holidays will not be authorised during term time. Holidays will result in a penalty notice (an £80 fine, per parent, which will increase to £160 if not paid within 28 days). If a second holiday is taken within a 3-year period, it will result in an automatic £160 fine, per parent.

Ensure children are in school on time, learning starts at 8:45am.

Bagel Breakfast

Supported by the National Schools Breakfast Programme, Bagel Breakfast will be available for children to access when coming into school from Monday. It is our introductory week, so we may experience a few hiccups but are looking forward to providing a morning snack to our children. There is still time to volunteer!



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Website

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