



St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School

News & Updates

5.12.25



Gospel Value of the Week

Preparation

"The whole journey of life is a journey of preparation...to see, to feel, to understand the beauty of what lies ahead of the homeland, towards which we walk." Pope Francis

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	Eva
Nursery	Muhammad
Reception	Nellie
Year 1	Sebastian
Year 2	Aria
Year 3	Rehaan
Year 4	Harper
Year 5	Oscar
Year 6	Nneoma

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. *In school every day – on time.*
Attendance matters because our children matter to us.

Class	Weekly	Year to date
Reception	95.3%	92.9%
Year 1	95%	96.6%
Year 2	95%	94.7%
Year 3	90%	96.8%
Year 4	96%	96.4%
Year 5 ★	98.3%	97.9%
Year 6	95.5%	96.3%
Total	95%	96.4%

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	Isla
Nursery	Destiny
Reception	Ernie
Year 1	Yordanos
Year 2	Aiden
Year 3	Louis
Year 4	Senay
Year 5	Kareem
Year 6	Joe

TT Rock Star Award

Class	Name
Year 3	Amelia
For consistently trying her hardest when practising her times tables.	

Spelling Bee Award

Class	Name
Year 4	Chimkamara
For her dedication & effort on EdShed. achieving 100% success in her weekly spellings	

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Let us celebrate ...

- ✓ Advent is being celebrated across our school this week allowing us to prepare for the birth of Jesus. Our children have explored the Advent Wreath representing God's everlasting love for us and the significance of the candles representing: Hope, Peace, Joy & Love - 'Come, Let Us Adore Him'.
- ✓ Thank you to our Year 4 children who facilitated a powerful and thought provoking Stay and Pray for their families focusing on their topic of Preparation. Thank you to our extended family members who were able to support our children in celebrating our Catholic faith.

Christmas Craft Fayre

Thursday 11th December
2.30pm-4.30pm

The PTA and staff have generously given their time in order to organise our annual Christmas Craft Fayre. Arrangements have been put in place to allow children to be collected from their classes from 2.30pm onwards. This will allow their trusted adult to collect them and then accompany them to the Fayre. If you are planning for an adult (unfamiliar to school) to collect and accompany your child to the fayre, please inform your child's class teacher via Dojo of the adult's name and the password you have given them to ensure a safe & smooth handover.

There will be many festive delicacies for you to purchase and sample from baubles to biscuits, wrapping paper to wreaths. We are so excited to commence our Christmas celebrations with our families, friends and wider school community..

Jewellery Reminder

For health and safety reasons, jewellery is strongly discouraged. If your child attends school wearing earrings, they will be offered microporous tape (breathable & low allergy) to cover them up in order to reduce the risk of injuries occurring. In relation to jewellery, we will be sensitive to the needs of different cultures, races and religions and will act reasonably in accommodating these needs without compromising safety or discipline.

Christmas Holidays

Friday 19th December

All children will start their Christmas Holidays on Friday 19th December at 1pm. We politely request that children are collected promptly from school. There will be no clubs available for children on this day.

Christmas Celebrations

Experience the magic of Christmas with us! We are delighted to invite you to your child's Christmas Nativity, where our pupils will share the true joy and spirit of Christmas through storytelling & song. We look forward to seeing you there and celebrating this special time of year with us.

Event	Date	Time
Reception: Simply the Nativity	12.12.25	2.30pm
2YO & Nursery: The Christmas Story	15.12.25	10.45am
Y1: Away in a Manger	15.12.25	2.15pm
Y3: Lights, Camel, Action	16.12.25	10am
Y2: Born in a Barn	16.12.25	2.15pm
Y5 The Fleece Force	17.12.25	10am
Y4: Straw & Order	18.12.25	10am
Y6: Christingle Service	18.12.25	2.30pm

Save the Date

Event	Date	Time
December		
Christmas Lunch	10.12.25	11.45am
Christmas Jumper Day	11.11.25	All Day
Drama Club Performance: <i>The Boy, the Mole, the fox & the Horse</i>	19.12.25	9am
Start of the Christmas Holiday	19.12.25	1pm collection
January		
Read with Me	7.1.25	Nurs- 11.15am Rec -2.45pm
Y3 Skoot School (weekly)	13.1.25	1pm-3pm
Y3 & Y4 New Year Service	16.1.26	2.30pm-3pm
Read with Me	21.1.25	Nurs- 11.15am Rec -2.45pm
Parents & Carers are invited to attend highlighted calendar events		

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Website

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

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PTA Christmas Events

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Own Clothes Day	Friday 7 th November	Bottle Donations
Own Clothes Day	Friday 21 st November	Chocolate Donations
Own Clothes Day	Friday 5 th December	2YO – Y2 Red Hamper Donations
		Y3 – Y6 Green Hamper Donations
		50p donation for 'Save the Children'
Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday 11 th December	N/A
PTA Christmas Surprise	Thursday 11 th December	N/A
Christmas Craft Fayre	Thursday 11 th December 2:30pm – 4:30pm	Various Stalls
Christmas Bingo (School Hall)	Wednesday 17 th December 3:30 – 4:30pm	£2.00 per book <i>Tuck Shop Available</i>

Join in the Christmas fun!



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