

ST CUTHBERT'S NEWSLETTER

MAY 2024
EDITION

WHAT'S
NEW?

Catholic
Life of
the
School

Reception Class would like to invite their parents to join them for Celebration of the Word on Friday 17th May 2024 at 9:10 a.m. followed by a Phonics Stay and Play session in their classroom.

Earlier this academic year, Pope Francis announced the first 'World Day for Children' which will be held in Rome on 25-26 May 2024. This is so that all children can hear and live out the Gospel enabling them to meet Christ. To promote this event, the Diocesan Department for Education in partnership with the Youth Ministry Team, are hosting an art competition. They would like the children to create a piece of artwork which answers the question, 'How do I see the Kingdom of God?'

Your child's class teacher will share information in school to help them with their piece. An assembly has already taken place in school.

The Rosary Club will start on Wednesday 8th May at 1 p.m. in Year 1, children in KS2 are welcome to join us.

The Children who will be making their First Holy Communion this June will be attending Holy Mass at St Cuthbert's Church for the Feast of 'The Ascension of Jesus' on Thursday 9th May 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Staffing News

After 13 years as a Lunchtime Supervisor, Mrs Gillian Davison is retiring from her post on Friday 24th May 2024. We wish her a long and happy retirement and thank her for her years of service to the Children of St Cuthbert's.

Miss McGregor is also leaving us at the end of this academic year (31st August) after 11 years at St Cuthbert's as a class teacher. She is moving back to Northern Ireland. We will all miss her and wish her all the best for the future.

We are delighted to announce that Miss Tate will be joining us as a Class Teacher from 1st September 2024. We are looking forward to welcoming her to our school.

OTHER KEY EVENTS

May 2024 Mental Health Month

May 2024 KS1 SATs

Tuesday 07.05.24 3:30-4:00 p.m. Year 1 Phonics Meeting

Wednesday 08.05.24 Rosary Club 1 p.m. in Year 1 Classroom

Friday 10.05.24 5 p.m. Friends of St Cuthbert's Meeting

W/C 13.05.24 Year 6 SATs

Wednesday 15.05.24 Rosary Club 1 p.m. in Year 1 Classroom

Friday 17.05.24 Sumdog Contest begins for Y1-6

Friday 17.05.24 9:10 a.m. Reception Class, Celebration of the Word

followed by a Phonics Stay and Play

W/C 20.05.24 Walk to School Week

Wednesday 22.05.24 Rosary Club 1 p.m. in Year 1 Classroom

Wednesday 22.05.24 The Dogs Trust will be visiting classes and

holding a whole school assembly

Thursday 23.05.24 Year 6 Muddy Monsters (all day)

Thursday 23.05.24 School closes at the end of the day for summer

half-term

Teacher Training Day 24.05.24 School closed to children

Monday 03.06.24 School opens for Summer 2 term. Doors open at

8:35a.m. with registration taking place at 8:45 a.m. Children not in

class for registration time will be marked late. Lessons start at 8:50

a.m.

ATTENDANCE

From the 01.04.24 to 30.04.2024

Year Reception	97.69%
Year 1	95.69%
Year 2	93.33%
Year 3	95.42%
Year 4	93.89%
Year 5	95.83%
Year 6	92.79%



JAN GURKIN
ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Our target is for each child to achieve an attendance of 97% or above.

Please contact Jan Gurkin, our Attendance Officer if you wish to discuss your child's attendance.

Holidays during term time cannot be authorised. Please note, the Local Authority may issue a Fixed Penalty Notice to each parent of each child who is withdrawn from school during term time.

FRIENDS OF ST CUTHBERT'S

On behalf of the children, staff and parents, I would like to thank the 'Friends of St Cuthbert's' for their generous donations of Easter Eggs for the Easter competition and for providing an Easter treat for every child in school.



They have also helped with the counting of sponsorship donations for the Good Shepherd Appeal and we hope to have a final total for you soon.

We will be meeting in school on Friday 10th May at 5 p.m. to begin our preparations for the annual Summer Fair. Please join us if you can.

UPDATE ON BUILDING WORKS

We are eagerly awaiting the outcome of our planning application for the building of a new kitchen and moving the main school office to the front of the school.

When permission is granted, works could start as early as June 2024 and continue throughout the summer term and summer break.

This may affect the times and venues of some of the events which take place in school.

I will update you when further information becomes available.

Please keep the children in Y2 and Y6 in your thoughts over the next month as they take part in the Standardised Assessment Tests (SATs).

Thank you for your continued support, and dedication to St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary.

from

Mrs Barrett

