

St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Families and Carers,

Welcome back to the Summer Term at St Cuthbert's! This is always a busy term filled with lots of excitement!

Catholic Life and Mission CAFOD Big Lent Walk

Thank you to everyone who sponsored us on our Just Giving Page. The children excelled on this mission and reached the Santiago de Compostella on our last day of the Spring term. If you would still like to donate to CAFOD our Link is still live.



First Holy Communion Programme

Session 7 for enrolled children will be held on Tuesday 29th April from 3:15-4:15 p.m.

Family Mass

Join us for Family Mass at St Cuthbert's Catholic Church on Sunday 4th May at 9:30 a.m. All families are welcome, and we look forward to seeing you there

Year of the Jubilee- Taking Hope Home

This year we are celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope. We have been carrying out lots of activities in school. At the end of term we sent home a Celebration of the Word to be carried out at home. Please send any photographs to school so that we can add them to our display.

Rosary Club

The Rosary Club will start in school on Friday 2nd May 2025.

Class Celebration of the Word.

Year 4 and Year 5 would like to invite parents and carers to join them for their Class Celebrations of the Word.

Year 5 will be hosting their Celebration of the Word on Friday 9th May at 3:00 p.m.

Year 4 will be hosting their Celebration of the Word on Friday 23rd May at 3:00 p.m.

Spiritual Days

On Thursday 1st May children will be celebrating St Joseph the Worker Spiritual Day, children will participate in activities in their classroom and have a Celebration of the Word.

On Friday 23rd May children will be taking part in a Spiritual Day themed around Mary, Mother of

Jesus.

Other School News

SAT's

Please keep the children of Year 2 and Year 6 in your thoughts as they undertake their Standardised Assessment Tests (SAT's). Year 2 will be carrying out their assessments throughout the month of May and the dates for the Year 6 assessments are below. A letter has also been sent to the parents of children in Year 6 detailing arrangements for the week (Week Beginning 12th May 2025).

Monday 12th May 2025- Year 6 GPaS and Spelling

Tuesday 13th May 2025- Year 6 Reading Paper 1

Wednesday 14th May 2025- Year 6 Maths Paper 1 and Paper 2

Thursday 15th May 2025- Year 6 Maths Paper 3

Friends of St Cuthbert's.

I would like to thank the Friends of St Cuthbert's for their generous donations of Easter Eggs for the Easter Picture Competition and providing an Easter Treat for every child in school. The next Friends of St Cuthbert's Meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th May at 5 p.m. in school. All are welcome. The Friends of St Cuthbert's regularly meet to plan activities that enhance and enrich learning experiences in school. Please contact the school office for more information.

Movie Night

The Friends of St Cuthbert's will be hosting a Movie Night in school on **Friday 13th June 2025**. Further details will follow.

School Fair

Our Annual Summer Fair will take place on Friday 4th July 2025. In the build-up to this we will be hosting Non-Uniform Days to gather donations.

Friday 6th June 2025 - Bottles

Friday 20th June 2025- Toiletries and Gifts

Friday 27th June 2025- Chocolates

Friday 4th July 2025- Cakes

We are also hoping to have a pre-loved uniform stall. If you would like to donate, please can we have any uniform by **Tuesday 1st July 2025** so that we can prepare them for the sale.

If you know of any outside vendors who would be interested in having a stall at the Fair, please contact the school office. There will be a small charge of £10 per stall plus a donation to the Raffle.

Year 1 Phonics Meeting

A Phonics meeting will take place on Monday 28th April at 3:15 in the Year 1 Classroom. If you are unable to attend, please contact the school office via phone or email.

School Instagram Page

We regularly post our school news on our Instagram page. Please follow us @stcuthbertswalbottle or use the QR code below.



School Meals

As previously communicated, Newcastle City Council have increased the price of school meals to £3

per meal from Monday 7th April 2025 for children in Years 3,4,5 and 6. Bishop Bewick Catholic Education Trust recognised that this was a significant increase to Parents therefore they have limited the price passed to parents to £2.70 a meal until April 2026.

If you feel your child may be eligible for Free School Meals through a variety of different eligibility criteria, please visit <https://newcastle.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/help-school-and-learning-costs/apply-free-school-meals> to apply.

Polite Reminder

For Health and Safety reasons, please can you ensure that children do not use the Timber Trail at the end of the school day or ride their bikes on school premises.

We also ask that when parking to bring your children to school, you are considerate towards our neighbours. We have received several complaints regarding parking in front of drives and cars blocking the entrance to Apple Tree Court.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation in these matters.

Sport Experience Days

Over the next term we will be participating in lots of different sport experience days. Please ensure that your child comes into school wearing their PE kits on these days.

Monday 28th April 2025 Handball Experience Day – **Years 1 – 6 only.**

Friday 9th May 2025 Cricket Experience Day– **Years 1 – 6 only.**

Monday 19th May 2025 Archery Experience Day – **Years 1 – 6 only.**

Monday 9th June 2025 Tennis Experience Day– **Years 1 – 6 only.**

Monday 30th June 2025 Ballet Experience Day – **Years Reception, 1, 2 and 3.**

Monday 7th July 2025 Ballet Experience Day – **Years 4, 5 and 6.**

Year 6 Events

As we move towards the end of the School Year, Year 6 will be taking part in lots of different events. Further information will be sent closer to the time; however, we wanted to share the dates in advance.

Tuesday 8th July 2025 - Year 6 Prom.

Wednesday 9th July 2025- Transition Day for Sacred Heart and St Cuthbert's.

Thursday 10th July 2025- Transition Day for Sacred Heart and St Cuthbert's.

Friday 11th July 2025- Transition Day for Sacred Heart and St Cuthbert's

Thursday 17th July 2025- Leaver's Mass **9:30 a.m.**

Friday 18th July 2025- Leaver's Assembly **9:30 a.m.**

Attendance Reminder

Holidays during term time cannot be authorised. The Local Authority may issue a Fixed Penalty Notice for unauthorised absences.

Dates for your diary- April and May 2025

April 2025		
Monday 28.04.25	School Reopens to pupils	All Year Groups
Monday	Year 1 Phonics Meeting- Year 1 Class	All Year Groups

28.04.25	3:15-3:30 p.m.	
Monday 28.04.25	Handball Experience Day- children to wear PE kit.	Years 1-6
Tuesday 29.04.25	First Holy Communion Session 7	Pupils in Year 4 who are enrolled on the programme
May 2025		
Throughout May	Year 2 SAT's	Year 2 Pupils
Thursday 01.05.25	St Joseph Spiritual Day	All Year Groups
Sunday 04.05.24	Family Mass at St Cuthbert's Church 9:30 a.m.	All families welcome
Monday 05.05.25	School Closed for Bank Holiday Monday	All Year Groups
Tuesday 06.05.25	Friends of St Cuthbert's Meeting in School 5:00 p.m.	All Welcome
Friday 09.05.25	Year 5 Celebration of the Word- School Hall 3:00 p.m.	Parents and Guardians of Year 5 pupils
Friday 09.05.25	Cricket Experience Day- children to wear PE kit.	Years 1-6
Wb Monday 12.05.25	Year 6 SATs Week	Year 6
Wb Monday 12.05.25	Mental Health Awareness Week	All Year Groups.
Monday 12.05.25	Year 6 GPaS and Spelling SAT	Year 6
Tuesday 13.05.25	Year 6 Reading SAT	Year 6
Wednesday 14.05.25	Year 6 Mathematics Paper 1 and Paper 2 SAT	Year 6
Thursday 15.05.25	Year 6 Maths Paper 2 SAT	Year 6
Wb Monday 19.05.25	Walk to School Week	All Year Groups.
Monday 19.05.25	Archery Experience Day- children to wear PE kit.	Years 1-6
Friday 23.05.25	Mary Mother of Jesus Spiritual Day	All Year Groups
Friday 23.05.25	Year 4 Celebration of the Word- School Hall 3:00 p.m.	Parents and Guardians of Year 4 pupils
Friday 23.05.25	School Closes for May Half Term	All Year Groups
June 2025		
Monday 02.06.25	Teacher Training Day	All Year Groups
Tuesday 03.06.25	School Reopens to Pupils	All Year Groups.