



Weekly Newsletter

St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School



Week ending 16th May 2025

Dear All

Well, it has been a busy week with SATs in the mornings for Year 6. I have been with the majority of them throughout this time and seen the way they have taken these tests in their stride and given their best effort to each paper. They have been prepared well and worked so hard and I am so proud of them all!

On Monday the Eco Council talked to the whole school about 'Big Green Week' that will be taking place from 7th to 15th June. The children have been asked to take pictures of 'Our Beautiful Borough' to celebrate the wonderful scenes that surround us - it will be interesting to see what they capture!

The children from Y1-6 were lucky enough to take part in our first paralympic sports day today and practice using wheelchairs to complete a variety of tasks. They adapted amazingly well to manoeuvre and complete courses in wheelchairs. Thank you to Mrs Gray for organising!

This Saturday we are holding our Pledge Day and have asked for volunteers to help with jobs around the school. Thank you so much to those families who have offered their time already, we would be very grateful for any support you can give to improve the St Cuthbert's environment for the children.

Can I please ask again for parents to show consideration when parking around the school. We have cars blocking pavements during drop off and pick up times, which is dangerous and obstructive to pupils and their families accessing school. Sadly, we have also had reports of some parents using inappropriate language in front of pupils when challenged about their parking choices. I am sure that we all want to ensure that our children are safe and enter and leave St Cuthbert's in a positive way, so if I could ask for everyone's cooperation in this matter.

Jesus' commandment is clear - love each other as He has loved us. The love that Jesus speaks of is given freely, shows others that God loves them, and it's how we should love God too. This week the children will explore how this commandment is the heart of our relationship with Jesus, and the way that we can follow Him.

Jesus said, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another."

John 13:34-35

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Rainbow

"We are a Catholic community, living and learning in faith. Through the Gospel values of faith, hope, trust and love, we aim to recognise individuality and enable each other to fulfil our potential"

The Week That Was

Year R: This week Reception have been learning about How Jesus' friends wanted to continue to spread the good news about him after he returned to Heaven. We learnt that sometimes the image of a fish, was used as a secret symbol, to show that someone was a friend of Jesus. This meant that they were protected from those that might not have liked Jesus and could carry on spreading the good news. We have been reading the story "How to look after your dinosaur" and thinking about how we would look after a pet dinosaur at school. We have also been exploring subtraction in our maths lessons an using different resources to practise "taking away" an amount from a larger quantity.

Year 1: In RE, we have been learning about the work of the Holy Spirit. We discussed different scriptures that have previously studied and how the Holy Spirit could have been at work in them. We also examined different pictures of the Holy Spirit and how it has been portrayed in art. Canon Chris visited us on Friday and really consolidated the children's learning, the had a wonderful time and got to ask some insightful questions. In English, the children have been doing their independent big write. They are writing newspaper articles and have all shown excellent resilience and progress. In maths, we have been learning the foundations of multiplication, we have been counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and making arrays. Well done Year 1!

Year 2: In RE this week we immersed ourselves in the letter St. Paul wrote to the Galatians 'Fruits of the Holy Spirit.' We discussed why each fruit is important and ways that we can live this out in our lives. We also discussed which are the most important and ranked these in a pyramid order with the most important at the top. This prompted some really great debate across groups and the whole class, which all the children listened respectfully to their peers views and responded appropriately. In Computing we have been looking at creating digital music and used chrome music lab to experiment with sound and pitch.

Year 3: Year 3 have had a busy and exciting week! In Computing, students got creative designing magazine covers with Publisher, while in Maths, we tackled reasoning with fractions and solving mathematical problems. In History, we have been discussing ways to plan a campaign to preserve local heritage sites. In RE, we have explored the parable of the Prodigal Son, reflecting on God's forgiveness and unconditional love. It's been a week full of learning, creativity, and thoughtful reflection!

Year 4: This week in Year 4 they have been working hard on identifying the features of a diary entry, story mapping and boxing up ideas from the model text 'The workhouse' in English. In Maths they have been working hard on their multiplications and learning how to write halves and quarters as decimals. In Science, they worked together in groups to create classification keys for birds, plants and insects we found around the school grounds. In Geography they have discussed how and why people live where earthquakes happen with lots of discussion if they would like to live near earthquake zones. In RE they had a lovely visit from Canon Chris where they asked some very thought provoking and reflective questions about Pentecost.

Year 5: In Y5 this week, RE has been looking at the gifts of the Holy Spirit and what this looks like in action. English has been BIG write week, meaning the children have been busying editing and rewriting their work in their best handwriting. In Maths, we started a new unit based on position and direction. The class have been introduced to translation of shapes - a concept that was quite tricky for some. In Computing, the children have been really working had to consolidate their newfound skills. Please do keep encouraging use of a laptop of home - these are lifelong skills that the children will all need now, and in their future.

Year 6: What an exciting week we've had! We've successfully completed SATs week, and I must say, I am incredibly proud of all the children. Their resilience and determination shone brightly through every challenge, and it was wonderful to see them supporting one another. In Geography, we've been imagining what Englefield Green might look like in the future. The discussions have been lively! The children are keen to debate what elements of our lovely village we would like to preserve and what changes they envision. In Art, we're turning our thoughts to our memories of primary school to inspire our latest project. The children are excitedly working on assemblage sculptures, using various materials to capture their experiences.

Fair Dojo Winners:

F faith

A appreciate and articulate

I independence and initiative

R respect and resilience

Due to the paralympic sports day the children took part in, unfortunately we were unable to fit in a celebration assembly this week.

All certificates will be carried over to next week.

Year 5/6 Boys Football Update:

- **Wednesday 21st May** will be the very last training session. There will be a match between Y5 & Y6 starting at 3.35pm followed by a small presentation at 4.05pm on the school field. Parents are welcome to both the match and the presentation if they wish.
- **Monday 16th June** Mr Gray and Mr Sheridan have organised a friendly against St. Jude's to be played on our field. St Jude's are bringing two teams so both Y5 & Y6 are included in this. Please let the school office know if your son is unable to attend. Good luck team St Cuthberts!

Month of May



The Month of May celebrates our Lady, Mary. To recognise Mary as an important person in Jesus' life, we have several traditions that we uphold;

Rosary prayers. We pray the Rosary every day and children are invited to bring in their own Rosary beads. We do, however, have full class sets and provide these in class. We ask that Rosary beads brought in are labelled and with anything brought into school you understand the risk of it being lost, broken and stolen.

Break time prayers. Our prayer leaders lead the Rosary group every Friday in the KS1 and KS2 playgrounds. The leaders attend formation training so they are well equipped to be able to confidently lead on these important prayers.

Flower donations. Each week, different classes bring in flowers for adorn our altar. This brings so much joy and colour to the hall. These can be fresh flowers, potted plants or your Holy Souls bulb that was given out in November. It would be wonderful to see as many spring time bulbs as possible to complete the cycle of new life - the message that was given out with the Holy Souls bulbs. Please see the rota below for when to bring flowers in.

Wb: Tuesday 6th May	EYFS & Year 6	Year 3
Wb: Monday 12th May	Y1	Y4
Wb: Monday 19th May	Y2	Y5

Summer Term 1 Diary Dates:

Saturday 17th May - Laudato Si Pledge Day 9:30am to 2:30pm

Monday 19th May - Year 1 trip to Brooklands Museum

Thursday 22nd May - Years 1 & 6 Mass at Church (9am start, children to be dropped straight to church. Parents welcome to stay for Mass and any parent helpers to help walk back to school would be much appreciated. Breakfast Club children will be walked over to church with school teachers.)

Thursday 22nd May - Xavier Musician of the Year Evening

Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May - May Half Term

Summer Term 2 Diary Dates:

Monday 2nd June - Summer term 2 begins, all children back to school

Monday 2nd June - Year 6 Bikeability starts (week 1 of 2)

Tuesday 3rd June - Year 1 local walk to the church (in school time)

Friday 6th June - Year 2 Class Liturgy (9am, parents welcome)

Tuesday 10th June - EYFS & Year 5 Mass at Church (9am start, children to be dropped straight to church. Parents welcome to stay for Mass and any parent helpers to help walk back to school would be much appreciated)

Wednesday 11th June - District Sports (details to follow)

Friday 13th June - BUDS Day (9am start)

Monday 16th June - Year 6 Bikeability (week 2 of 2)

Friday 20th June - St Cuthbert's Got Talent

Tuesday 24th June - Sports Day (first choice)

Wednesday 25th June - Good Shepherd (details to follow next week)

Thursday 26th June - Back up Sports Day

Thursday 26th June - Years 2,3 & 4 Mass at Church (9am start, children to be dropped straight to church. Parents welcome to stay for Mass and any parent helpers to help walk back to school would be much appreciated)

Tuesday 1st July - Moving Up Day / Induction Day

Summer Term 2 Diary Dates:

Thursday 3rd July - St Thomas Day

Friday 4th July - Year 2 Tennis workshop in school (PE kit required)

Friday 11th July - St Benedict Day

Tuesday 15th July - Year 6 play

Thursday 17th July - Thanksgiving Mass at Church (9am start, whole school to be dropped at church. Parents welcome to stay for Mass and any parent helpers to help walk back to school would be much appreciated).

Thursday 17th July - Year 6 Retreat Morning at Church (after Mass)

Friday 18th July - 1:15pm school finishes for summer (no after school club)

PTA Lolly Sale Dates

Friday 23rd May Year 6

Friday 6th June Year 5

Friday 13th June Year 4

Friday 20th June Year 3

Friday 27th June Year 2

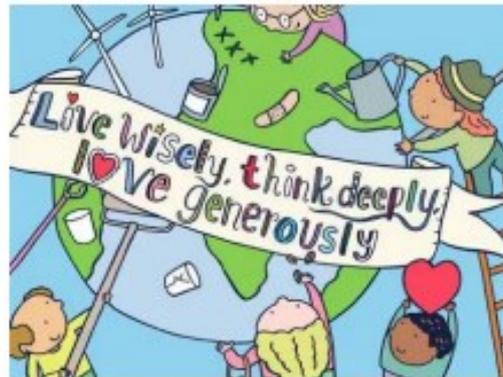
Friday 4th July Year 1

Friday 11th July EYFS

LAUDATO SI PLEDGE DAY - SATURDAY MAY 17TH 2025

9.30AM - 2.30PM

[Laudato Si' animation for children](#)



As part of the Year of Jubilee, we are asked to make a community pledge. Ours is in line with the letter from the late Pope Francis, the Laudato Si. This letter asks everyone to look after their common home.

We are hosting a community clean up day for our school and are inviting you to join us on Saturday May 17th, anytime between 9.30am and 2.30pm.

We have a few areas that are looking a bit sad and could do with a tidy up and I am sure that many hands would make light work with these areas.

If you aren't able to give the gift of time, we have updated the Amazon Wish List for items we will need to make the day a success.

<https://amzn.eu/gSbCQQN>

We can't wait to see you support our school community in any way you can.

See you on Saturday 17th, and don't forget your gardening gloves and tools! 😊

All help is warmly welcomed (there will be tea, biscuits & sausage rolls on offer)

HAZELWOOD SPORTS FAMILY FESTIVAL

SATURDAY 17 MAY, 2025 - 10am to 1pm

TASTER MINI FOOTBALL • WALKING FOOTBALL
RUGBY MATCHES • TOUCH RUGBY • TAG RUGBY
MULTISPORT ACTIVITIES • GAELIC FOOTBALL
FAMILY AREA • MINI-INFLATABLES

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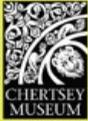
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For All
The
Family

1st Saturday
of the month
1.30pm-3.30pm

Museum Makes

Join us for a fun family craft activity where imagination meets history in a hands-on experience for all ages!



FREE
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SESSION



Chertsey Museum, 33 Windsor Street, Chertsey KT16 8AT
chertseymuseum.org



May Half-term Holiday Activities



Create a Table Football Game

27th May

11am-12:30pm or 2pm-3:30pm
Make a small table football game
using cardboard, clothes pegs
and your own design ideas!
Cost: £4.50



Roman Pots - Clay Day

29th May

10-10:45am, 11:30am-12:15pm,
2-2:45pm
See original Roman pottery and
then make your own air-dry clay
creation to take home
Cost: £3



BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

Activities for ages 6-12 (5 year olds with adult)

More information or booking at <https://chertsey-museum.arttickets.org.uk/>
Or phone: 01932 565 764



www.chertseymuseum.org/events
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