



Weekly Newsletter St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School



Week ending 8th November 2024

Dear All

Well it is the first week back after half term and it feels like we have never been away, but the children are back into the swing of things.

It was lovely to start a new half term with our All Souls Mass and think about loved ones we have lost. The children have been writing prayers this week and putting them on the altar. Thank you to the parents who were able to join us.

We have started the new half term by beginning to developing activities on the playground during lunchtimes. By creating 'zones' for the children we are working on enhancing their time on the playground and keeping them safe. We would be really grateful for any donations of lego, dress up outfits and small world figures - if you are having a clear out towards Christmas please keep us in mind.

The children have been learning how to 'Speak out and stay safe' this week using the NSPCC materials. If you could ask them about what they have learned and reinforce these messages please as it is so important that they understand how to stay safe.

The Year 6 children paid their respects to the many men and women who gave their lives during world wars as they walked to the cemetery today. Their journey was accompanied by bagpipes and they took the wreath of poppies that the class had created.

The Year 4 children looked amazing this morning as they enjoyed an Egyptian workshop to mark the beginning of their topic . The range of activities that the children took part in gave them so much information to support their learning going forward.

This week, we hear the Gospel story of the widow who gave away her last two coins. Children will learn that Jesus is interested in the generosity of our hearts. Even if it feels like we have little to give, will we trust God and give our all.

'A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny.'

Mark 12:42

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Rainbow

The Week That Was

Year R:

This week, Reception have been learning about the Angel Gabriel visiting Mary to tell her she was going to have a baby. We worked together to create our own stable role play area and the children explored the Nativity scene small world. We also practised our cutting skills by making our own angel's. We have also been learning all about fireworks and bonfire night. We read the story "The quiet little firework" and talked about the different sounds the fireworks make. We then used marbles and paint to make our own splatter painting fireworks.

Year 1:

Year 1 have had a brilliant first week back, they are all refreshed and have completed some wonderful work this week. We continued learning about the story of Jesus' birth in RE. We looked at artwork of the Visitation and has very insightful conversations about what the colours meant, how the characters looked and felt. In English, we have started traditional tales. The children have been learning all about Little Red Riding Hood. We have included drama in our learning this week and have hot seated as characters, and freeze-framed scenes in the story. In Geography, we started our first topic, my local area. We talked about places that we go often and places we go rarely. Well done Year 1 on a fabulous week!

Year 2:

What a great first week back Year 2 have had. In RE this week, we reflected on Isaiah 9:2 and responded to it by creating our own artwork by thinking of different light sources to represent Jesus being the light of the world. In science we have thought about how we change as we grow. Some of our ideas were: we grow taller, lose baby teeth for adult ones and we gain new friendships.

Year 3:

Year 3 have had a very busy first week back, learning about present-perfect tense and adding subordinating conjunctions to their writing. Using place value counters and dienes in Maths to help with their addition and subtraction, the children have enjoyed solving reasoning questions to develop their oracy. In RE, year 3 have started a new unit called Promises, discussing how belonging to a group involves promises and following a set of rules.

Year 4:

Year Four have got stuck into the new half term nice and quickly. They absolutely loved the Ancient Egyptian workshop today! It was great to see all of their marvellous outfits. We have started our Judaism topic in RE and the children enjoyed learning about the Torah. Starting the new textiles DT topic, they are also very excited to get sewing this half term!

Year 5:

In Year Five this week, the children have been becoming familiar with a new character in the Bible; David. They have been watching a play version of his life to help with their understanding of the type of character he was in the Bible. In Maths, the class have been learning about common factors in multiples. In English, a new unit started based around persuasive texts. The class have been recapping on their knowledge of rhetorical questions so that they can use these in their writing. A new half term brings a host of new learning including in Science; separating mixtures, in RSE; Aiming High and in Geography; changes to the local environment.

Year 6:

We have had a very busy first week in Year 6. Not only did we start lots of new units of work, we have also had a wonderful visit from Canon Chris. We discussed the importance of Mary, the Mother of God in the Catholic Church. This linked beautifully to our RE topic all about the role of women in the Salvation History of the Old Testament. We have also been talking about 'Speak out and Stay Safe' using the lovely NSPCC resources. The children had some really mature insights into how they can Speak out and Stay safe.

On Friday morning we were very honoured to be invited to the Village Remembrance service. The children were accompanied by a Bag Piper as they walked to the village war memorial where we prayed together and remembered those who lost their lives serving their country.

Fair Dojo Winners:

F faith

A appreciate and articulate

I independence and initiative

R respect and resilience

Congratulations to this week's winners:

This week's winner in Reception is **Ivy**, for being independent in her learning and trying hard with her sitting and listening at carpet time.

In year 1, **Nyameaye** has been working so hard on her English sentences and being resilient

Alex in year 2 for working hard independently and being respectful to adults and peers.

For staying focused, resilient in her learning and attitude since the start of this half-term, **Kelly** received the dojo in year 3.

Our winner this week in year 4 is **Armando** for working really hard in all areas of his learning, being on task and showing respect.

For having such respect for her homework, **Indiana** received the dojo in year 5. We are so impressed with her attitude to TTRS. Well done Indi .

Leo in year 6 has been showing our Fair value of **initiative** and independence by always taking part in class discussions making interesting and thoughtful observations.



NSPCC Assembly

This week, the children watched a video from the NSPCC to support their RHE teachings about staying safe. Here are the links to the KS1 and KS2 videos that the children watched, should you wish to revisit this with them at home.

KS1: [Speak out Stay safe: 5-7 years English Delivery, English captions](#)

KS2: [Speak out Stay Safe: 7-11 years English Delivery, English captions](#)

Thank you very much for taking part in our Christmas Card fundraiser and ordering your Christmas cards and other items with School Print World. These have been sent home with the children today.

We have raised £122 with this project Thank you.



Parish News



First Holy Communion 2025

Thursday 14th November at 7pm

Parents of baptised children who are Year Three or above; if you are interested in your child receiving their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, please join us for a parents' meeting to learn more about the program starting in January.

Fr. Chris and the catechists are looking forward to meeting you that evening. In order for the session to run smoothly, this session is ideally for adults only. Please do try to find some child-care for your child if possible.

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Diary Dates for remaining term:

Week of 11th	Anti Bullying week
11th November	Remembrance Day
12th November	Odd Socks Day
13th November	Flu Immunisations (nasal spray) Sports Crew Training Year 5 & 6 football matches School tours for prospective parents at 2pm (please spread the word)
14th November	Year 2—Great Fire of London Workshop Year 6 boys football tournament Year 5/6 girls football match – details to follow
19th November	Year 6—Junior Citizen
21st November	Christmas Jumper Day
22nd November	St Cecilia Feast Day Children in St Cecilia's house to wear mufti with their blue house t-shirt; all other children in usual uniform. Children in Year 3 will have PE so please can Year 3 St Cecilia children wear their PE kit with the blue house T-shirt
24th November	Christmas Fayre
28th November	year 5/6 girls football tournament
2nd December	Xavier Feast Day—School Closed
3rd December	Exposition of the blessed sacrament (children only)
5th and 6th	Reconciliation for years 4, 5 and 6
9th December	Fire Safety talks for Years 2 and 5
20th December	School finishes at 1.15pm—NO after school club

Nativity dates

11th December 2pm Key Stage 1

13th December 2pm Key Stage EYFS

19th December 7pm KS2 Advent Reflection
at our Lady of the Assumption



Football Match Schedule

Please see below information on boys league games which have been scheduled for the season (apart from one game).

We will update on the girls matches as soon as we have them confirmed.



**YEAR 5 BOYS
FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**
2024 / 2-25

LEAGUE MATCHES

St Charles	VS	St Cuthbert's
13th November 2024 - depart 2.45pm		
Holy Family	VS	St Cuthbert's
29th January 2025 - depart 2.45pm		
St Cuthbert's	VS	Stepgates
26th February 2025 - 3.30pm kick off		
St Cuthbert's	VS	Ongar Place
19th March 2025 - 3.30pm kick off		



2024/2025
**FOOTBALL
MATCHES**
YEAR 6 BOYS

St Cuthbert's	VS	St Jude's
Wednesday 13th November, kick off 3.30pm		
St Cuthbert's	VS	Thorpe CofE
Thursday 23rd January, kick off 3.30pm		
St Cuthbert's	VS	Lyne & Longcross
Thursday 27th February, kick off 3.30pm		
Pyrcroft Grange	VS	St Cuthbert's
tbc		

INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME 2025

16th June 2025 to 4th July 2025



At Xavier Teach SouthEast, we are proud to offer an internship programme which provides those interested in teaching with the ideal opportunity to explore life in the classroom.

NON-FUNDED AND FUNDED PROGRAMMES

- **Funded internship** for **secondary chemistry, computing, languages, maths and physics undergraduates** (£425pw)
- Non-funded internship for non-undergraduates and **all other secondary subjects and primary** teaching.
- **Aim:** to help undergraduates in all subjects, as well as those considering a career change, to explore how rewarding a career in teaching can be.

As part of the programme, you will:

- Get involved in all aspects of school life
- Receive bespoke training
- Work closely with a Mentor to observe and teach lessons
- Meet regularly with fellow Interns, ECTs and SCITT trainees
- Be given an opportunity to accelerate your interview process for our SCITT



"The internship was a brilliant hands-on experience that gave me a wealth of knowledge about life as a primary school teacher. The programme gave me the best opportunity to gain first-hand experience teaching, observing and helping to plan lessons."

Intern 2023



INTERESTED?

Scan the QR code for the application form or visit www.teachsoutheast.co.uk

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PTA

Autumn/Winter Events Timetable

Christmas Fair

- Sunday 24th November
- 12.30-3pm
- Christmas starts here
- at our annual fun fest!

Windsor Panto

- Wednesday 4th December 7pm
- More info coming soon!

Race Night

- Friday 31st January
- Book a babysitter & come join us for some fizz & fun!

Dis-Glow

- Friday 28th February
- Glow crazy at our neon night!

MAGs Day

- Friday 28th March
- Come into school to celebrate all our wonderful women!

- For more information on our fundraising events please see the PTA page on the school website!

ST CUTHBERT'S SCHOOL ASSOCIATION



CHRISTMAS FAIR 2024

**24TH
NOV**

**ST CUTHBERT'S
SCHOOL HALL
12.30-3PM**

FOOD, DRINKS, GAMES, CRAFTS, RAFFLE, BOTTLE TOMBOLA, SWEETS,
CAKES, SEE THE BIG MAN HIMSELF & MORE!!

ADULT VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED FOR EACH STALL SO PLEASE CONTACT
YOUR CLASS REP IF YOU CAN HELP US!



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Visitor Morning

Tuesday 12th November 2024 9am-11am

We look forward to showing you the distinctive
culture and ethos of Halliford School.

Be sure to apply before our Registration
deadline on **Friday 29th November**.



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MON 23RD - TUE 24TH DECEMBER




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by active

MANORCROFT PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLUB

STANDARD DAY 10:00-16:00
EXTENDED DAY 8:15-18:00

LOTS OF ACTIVITIES TO ENJOY

MEET SANTA - GAMES - CHRISTMAS
MUSIC - CHRISTMAS CRAFTS - CHRISTMAS
FOOD TASTING - & MUCH MORE




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