



Weekly Newsletter St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School



Week ending 10th January 2025

Dear All

It was such a delight to see the children bounding in on Monday with smiling faces - as well as some excited parents! I hope you all had a lovely break and managed to spend some quality time with your families.

The children have stepped straight back into the swing of school life and are working hard. The cold weather is upon us so please ensure your children are well-equipped with scarves, hats and gloves - we will do our best to ensure that they wear them!

There have been some queries about Music and French lessons now that Mrs Missen is not with us. We are lucky enough to have a specialist teacher from Salesian School coming to teach music for our KS2 children and are looking into the same arrangement for French lessons. Unfortunately, we have not managed to find a someone to run the Spanish club as yet, but if any parents have these skills and would like to offer their time that would be amazing!

The PTA have been raising impressive amounts of money for the children so far this academic year and we are so grateful for the support of the entire parent body. Sadly our two PTA chairs are finishing their term in July and they are looking for any parents who would be interested in taking their place. If you would be willing to support St Cuthbert's in this amazing way please get in touch with them via email - PTA@stcuthberts.surrey.sch.uk.

Unfortunately, we have noticed recently that there has been an influx of children's bags and rucksacks that do not adhere to our uniform policy. Can I remind parents that our policy concerning bags states -

Larger St. Cuthbert's rucksack or any other non-branded, dark coloured (black or dark blue) rucksack that is big enough to hold large books and folders.

It is important that the children are all treated fairly and do not compete to have named bags in school. Can I also remind parents that Fitbits and watches that are able to connect to the internet are not permitted in school as well. I appreciate your support.

Collective worship this week will be helping children to understand the significance of Jesus' Baptism and what it means for us all in entering the Kingdom of God. Children will explore the symbols of Baptism and be offered a time to invite the Holy Spirit into their hearts.

'He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.'

Luke 3:16

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 the 3 wise men who went to visit Jesus. We talked about why Jesus was a special king and decorated crowns fit for a king to wear. We also started our new topic of traditional tales and our focus story this week was the three little pigs. We experimented using different resources such as duplo bricks, toothbrushes and rollers to paint pictures of the 3 pigs houses. In maths we have been learning all about zero. The children came up with lots of other words to explain what zero meant and then we practised our subitising by playing a matching game with different number representations.

Year 1: Year 1 have had a brilliant first week back. In RE, we begun our new topic, Galilee to Jerusalem. This will cover Jesus' childhood up until he was called for his mission. The children read the scripture of The Presentation this week, we examined artwork and then created our own. We have also started a new topic in art, called Paper Play. The children created beautiful, colourful sculptures called tube towers. They practised skills like rolling paper and gluing, they also had to consider the design aspect of the sculpture. In History, we started learning about the Greatest Explorers. The children worked on what an explorer was and placed the explorers we are going to be looking at on a number line. Well done Year 1 on a brilliant first week back!

Year 2: This week in Year 2, has been a busy and exciting one! In RE, we recapped the story of John the Baptist, discussing who he was and why he is remembered as such an important prophet. The children reflected on John's role in preparing people for Jesus' arrival and shared their thoughts on his message of repentance and baptism. In Maths, we began our new unit on money, where the children practised counting in pounds and pence. They worked on recognising coins and notes, adding amounts, and even had fun solving some real-life money problems to strengthen their understanding! In Art, our young artists embraced their creative side by experimenting with mixing primary colours (red, blue, and yellow) to create secondary colours. The excitement didn't stop there—they also investigated what happens when two secondary colours are combined. The results were both surprising and inspiring, as they discovered new shades and hues. In English, we started focusing on adventure stories for the next 3 weeks. The children explored how to build suspense and add detail to their writing using 2A sentences (sentences with two adjectives to describe a noun). Their imaginations ran wild as they created exciting settings and introduced intriguing characters, bringing their stories to life.

Year 3: Year 3 have started their new unit about Journeys in RE, exploring how Christians celebrate different events, ceremonies and seasons using the Liturgical Calendar. We have been continuing our learning on Multiplication and Division in Maths, solving problems with 2-digit numbers and reasoning over multiplication. In Art, we really enjoyed sketching still-life arrangements, using different shading techniques and exploring ways an artist holds their pencil for sketching.

Year 4: This week, Year Four has had a wonderfully creative time! In art, we explored tints and shades, experimenting with colours to create stunning results. In English, we began working on play scripts and the children showcased their fantastic acting skills through scenes from *Oliver*. We've also been busy rehearsing for our class assembly, learning songs and working together to make it a performance to remember. A big well done to everyone for their hard work and enthusiasm!

Year 5: This Spring Term focus for RE is 'Jerusalem to Galilee' in which the children have been introduced to the Beatitudes. They have been looking at the meaning of being 'blessed' in the Bible through the study of the Sermon on the Mount. In History, the class started a unit on the Vikings. They learnt about the raids at Lindisfarne, including where and how the Vikings came to be in England. In Maths the class finished a unit on fractions and then started a new one on multiplication and division. Writing has been fun this week as the class were introduced to a new model text based on Adventure Stories. The class have already written one in the Autumn term but this takes a deeper look at the use of some Y5 grammar. The children acted out the story and spent time rehearsing sentences and phrases from the model text that they can use in their own writing when the time comes.

Year 6: What a chilly start to the Spring Term! Thank you to all those children who did their homework over the holidays. Hard work always pays off and I can already see the impact this has had. We have started our new RE topic, following Jesus from Galilee to Jerusalem. We are studying the Gospel of John looking at the 7 miracles Jesus performed and what these miracles tell us about who Jesus is.

This week our Maths lessons have focussed on ratio and we have started our new writing topic of Persuasive Writing. The children had a go at persuading: a cat to become friends with a dog; the England manager to pick them for the team; their parents to let them stay up late and finally their teacher to stop giving them homework. I wonder if any of them have tried their new persuasive language at home?

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 Lachlan, for showing great independence in lessons and putting in lots of extra effort with his reading.

This week's dojo winner in year 1 was really independent while making sculptures during art. Well done, Austin.

Fliss in year 2 has been showing initiative this week by volunteering to help around the classroom and supporting her peers during lessons.

Joshua is year 3's winner for being respectful during the first week back and showing resilience in his work.

Arthur has won year 4's dojo for showing fantastic resilience practicing and reciting his lines in the playscript learning in English! Amazing job, well done!

Amelia in year 5 for respecting her learning by always using such neat handwriting.

Carolina in year 6 for being so articulate in her maths reflection this week, even using representations to support her explanation.

Diary Dates for January 2025:

- **Monday 13th January** - First Core Judo before school club
- **Tuesday 14th January** - NO netball training (Wednesday 15th instead)
- **Tuesday 14th January** - First Taekwondo after school club
- **Friday 17th January** - Year 4 Class Liturgy (9am) - year 4 parents invited
- **Wednesday 22nd January** - Year 5 trip to Painshill Park (details to follow next week)
- **Friday 31st January** - Year 6 Class Liturgy (9am) - year 6 parents invited
- **Friday 31st January** - PTA Race night, 7:30pm in the school hall

Foodbank Donations:

As always a massive thank you to everyone who donated to the foodbank during the reverse advent calendar. Together as a school we gave a donation of **171kg** to Runnymede Foodbank which will have helped many people during a time of year than many find challenging.



Year 5/6 Girls Football:

Special message from Miss Murtagh and the Year 5 and 6 girls football team to thank the PTA and parents for getting a beautiful new kit for us! It must have been the good luck charm on Thursday to assist us in a super 2-0 win against St James.



PTA



We are looking for a new PTA Chair

ROLE PURPOSE

To lead the committee, ensuring the PTA is run in line with its constitution and according to the wishes of all members.

Are you passionate about helping the school community of St. Cuthbert's?

Fancy leading the fundraising and delivering vital funds that contribute to additional resources supporting all of our children?

Interested in being part of a team of like-minded, experienced and thoughtful people?

**For more information please email us at
pta@stcuthberts.surrey.sch.uk**

PTA

PTA Winter Events Timetable

Race Night

Friday 31st

January

7.30pm

In the school hall

Book a babysitter
& come join us for some
fizz & fun!

Dis-Glow

Friday 28th

February

In the school hall

Glow crazy at our
neon themed disco

Legoland Inset Day

Friday 14th

March

Book your tickets

with us at our

special PTA rate!

MAGs Day

Friday 28th

March

Come into
school to
celebrate all
our
wonderful
women!

For more info on our
fundraising events
please see the PTA
page on the school
website and follow us
on social media

Football Match Schedule

ERPSSA FOOTBALL LEAGUE

YEAR 5 & 6 GIRLS

UPCOMING FIXTURES

9 JANUARY 2025 | 3.15PM KICK OFF

ST CUTHBERT'S **VS** ST JAMES C OF E

14 JANUARY 2025 | 3.30PM KICK OFF

ST CUTHBERT'S **VS** MANORCROFT

30 JANUARY 2025 | 3.30PM KICK OFF

ST CUTHBERT'S **VS** ASHLEY SCHOOL

27 FEBRUARY 2025 | 3.30PM KICK OFF

ST CUTHBERT'S **VS** COBHAM FREE SCHOOL

STILL TO BE CONFIRMED ST CUTHBERT'S VS GROVELANDS



**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
Pycroft Grange	VS	St Cuthbert's	tbc

Club Booking Forms for January 2025 onwards:



PS SPORTS COACHING

SPORTS CLUBS
ST CUTHBERT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Tuesday - Athletics/ Multi-sports
3:20 - 4:20pm | Yrs 1,2,3,4,5 & 6

Wednesday - Dance
3:20 - 4:20pm | Yrs 2, 3,4,5 & 6

Thursday - Dodgeball
3:20 - 4:20pm | Yrs 3,4,5 & 6

Dates, Prices & Bookings
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We accept childcare vouchers

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ATHLETICS
Learn the foundations of athletics events through game-based activities. Our older athletes will take part in fun activities to build core skills and learn running, jumping and throwing techniques.

DANCE
Fun warm up games, easy to learn routines to popular music. Opportunities to perform to parents and school at talent show and summer fair.

DODGEBALL
Dodgeball is a super fun game played with soft, safe balls. The children are split into two teams and aim to hit each other with the balls. The children learn defending and attacking techniques and take part in matches.

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AFTER SCHOOL Football

8TH JAN - 2ND APRIL

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TENNIS COACHING
EST. 2018

MATCH POINT

ST CUTHBERT'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

TENNIS BREAKFAST CLUB

SPRING TERM

JANUARY 08TH - MARCH 26TH

07.50AM - 08.35AM

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*we require a minimum of 6 players per group in order for the session to run.

Club Booking Forms for January 2025 onwards:



START: Monday 13th January 2025

FINISH: Monday 24th March 2025

COST: £90 including kit hire

Booking link - <https://core-judo-schools.classforkids.io/info/96>

Core Judo will be running another 'Bring A Friend' week for the first class back, similar to last term. The first class is on Monday 13th January and your child can bring their friends along for the session.

Club Booking Forms for January 2025 onwards:

TechyTots will run after school on Fridays from 3:20pm—4:20pm for both KS1 and KS2.

Booking information link – [Weybridge and Surrounds – Children's Coding Classes | TechyTots Ltd](#)



TechyTots

Dear Parents/Carers,

TechyTots is delighted to continue bringing classes to your school this year.

*TechyTots offers a fun way to teach kids coding by combining technology with play. Learning to code helps develop important skills such as **creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving, sequencing, concentration, and confidence.***

We provide fun and interactive classes where children can explore coding using robots and the latest technology toys.

All our activities are **hands-on and offline**, so you can be assured your children will not access the internet during our classes.

TechyTots sessions will be running from:
Friday 10th of Jan 2025 for 12 weeks (Term time only)
A limited number of spaces are available and these will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

To book your child's space please click the link below,

<https://techy tots.co.uk/weybridge-and-surrounds/>



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