



St. Cuthbert's School Newsletter

Friday 22nd September 2017

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Thank you to Fr Chris and the parish for making our year 2 children so welcome at Mass this morning. Children in year 4 have been given letters with details about First Holy Communion preparation and arrangements for the coming year, the letter includes details of the first meeting which is for parents next Thursday 28th September at 6pm at St. Cuthbert's Church hall. At this meeting an overview of the programme will be given along with the expectation with regard to commitment expected from parents/carers. If you have a child in year 5 or 6 who hasn't made their First Communion and has been baptised in the Catholic Church this is an opportunity to find out about the programme and decide if you would like them to join in this year.

Well done everyone for our whole school attendance of 97.6% this week. Year 2 have taken the trophy with a perfect 100%! Well done to everyone who received their 100% attendance certificate and prize for the last academic year this afternoon.



We will be holding our MacMillan Coffee Morning on Friday 29th September at 9.30am in the school hall. Our Mini Vinnies will be organising the event and will send further information home next week. We always have a fantastic turnout for our MacMillan Coffee Morning and I am sure this year will be brilliant again.

Weekly Attendance	
Reception	90.3%
Year 1	98%
Year 2	100% 
Year 3	99.6%
Year 4	98.8%
Year 5	98.7%
Year 6	97.9%
Whole School	97.6%

Can I please remind everyone that our school gates close at 9:00am every morning. Lessons begin by 9:00am each morning, after 8:55am register, and we always have learning taking place around the school grounds. We also need to lock the gates quickly after school on club nights as the school grounds are used for many of these also. If you are running late in the morning and the gates are locked please come to the office door.

Thank you to everyone who has sent their pink data collection sheet back to school. If you still have yours can you complete it and return it to us as soon as possible. The collection sheets are very important as we use the details on them if we need to contact you for anything. If you change any of your contact details through the school year please make sure you inform the school office as soon as possible.

We had a fantastic turnout for our year 3 and year 4 Boggle Hole trip meeting on Wednesday evening and an equally impressive response on ParentMail. The trip will take place from Monday 5th-Wednesday 7th February 2018 and will cost £140 per child. Places can be secured by making a payment of £30 per child and this can be done on ParentMail or in cash at the school office. If you are paying for the trip with cash please collect a payment card when you pay your deposit and bring it with you each time you make a payment. If you would like to find out any more about the trip please come and have a chat with Mr Dillon or Mrs Cottiss.





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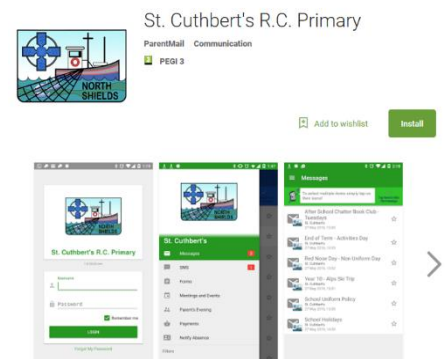
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We are re-launching our Fruitastic Tuck Shop very soon and we've been talking to the year 5 and 6 children about organising and running it. Fruitastic will be run like a real business and we have invited children from year 5 and year 6 to write an application letter for positions on the team. The closing date for applications is Monday 25th September and we will let you know when our grand launch is once our team is in place.

Can we please remind year 4, 5 and 6 children that pre-order forms for their author visit must be returned to school by next Monday 25th September at the latest to ensure orders can be fulfilled.

Our next EYFS and key stage 1 activity morning will be held in school next Friday 29th September. Families are invited to join us in our classes and outdoors looking at all the amazing learning that goes on at St. Cuthbert's. It is always brilliant to see how many families come into school and get fully involved in the wonderful activities that are going on. It will be on the same morning as our MacMillan Coffee morning so you could manage to be part of both events!

Thank you to all our new parents who have signed up to our ParentMail service over the last two weeks. The service is a fantastic form of communication and it has been brilliant using it to book many of our after school clubs this week. If you haven't yet signed up to ParentMail please make sure you do so. You can download our very own St. Cuthbert's ParentMail app from the Google Play store on Android devices and phones or on the Apple App store.



Year 1 and 2 families are invited to our first reading meeting of the year next Monday 25th September at school. Staff will chat to you about how we teach reading at St. Cuthbert's and how you can help your child's reading and comprehension skills at home. It is also a chance to chat to staff about reading and ask any questions you might have. Notice of the meeting was sent out via ParentMail earlier this week.

Next week our Wednesday night choir and football clubs will move to Monday night as we have the second part of our whole staff training taking place.

Our next Family Cycle will take place on Saturday 7th October and we will set off from school around lunch time. If you would like to take part in the cycle and need to borrow a child's or adult's bike then please reply to the ParentMail we send out next week, this will also contain further details about the cycle route and the time we expect to return by.



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Mrs Cottiss and Mr Dillon attended the Tyne and Wear Citizens meeting along with Fr. Chris and our chair and vice chair of governors, Mrs Graham and Mr Merchant, this week. The meeting was attended by over 200 people from across Tyne and Wear and St. Cuthbert's is once again becoming a lead

school in the organisation. Tyne and Wear Citizens is part of the wider Citizens UK movement and is made up of organisations who want to make positive changes to society and champion justice and the common good for everyone. Citizens are the organisation behind the national Living Wage campaign and other campaigns supporting communities throughout the country.



Our school choir have been invited to perform at the next meeting on Tuesday 7th November in front of over 1000 people at the Tyne Theatre and Opera House- the night before the Russian State Ballet perform Swan Lake! Tickets for the event are free and must be booked online at (sorry for the long link!)

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tyne-wear-citizens-launch-assembly-doors-1730pm-start-1800pm-tickets-36189090544?utm-medium=discovery&utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&aff=escb&utm-source=cp&utm-term=listing>

Thank you for your continued support,
Shaun Dillon