



# St. Cuthbert's School Newsletter

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017

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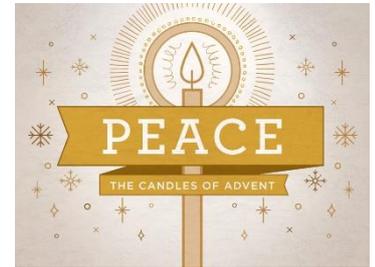
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Thank you to everyone who joined us for our second Advent



assembly of the season this afternoon. We lit the candle of peace today and children from Reception Class and year 6 shared the gift of peace with our friends and guests from Rudyerd Court yesterday afternoon. Thank you also to Fr. Michael and the parish for making our year 4 children so welcome at Mass this morning. Our next whole school Mass will be on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 9.30am at St. Cuthbert's church; we would love to see you all there.



Our whole school attendance is 96.5% this week and year 2 have won the trophy with 97.3%. We'll be giving children their certificates for a full 100% attendance this term before we break up on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December. 😊

Weekly Attendance	
Reception	94.8%
Year 1	96%
Year 2	97.3% 
Year 3	97%
Year 4	97.2%
Year 5	96.7%
Year 6	96.4%
Whole School	<b>96.5%</b>



Our school choir performed for students and guests at Newcastle University this week and they were an enormous hit as always. Thank you to Mrs Johnston for organising the event and Mr Corbishley for leading our choir so wonderfully again. The choir will be performing at North Shields Victorian market this Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 10:45am. The children also performed for the delighted residents at Rudyerd Court this afternoon- they are in great demand!

We were delighted to welcome our friends, family, and guests from Rudyerd Court to school yesterday afternoon. Everyone took part in some chairbics which was led by Bob and they also enjoyed a sing-a-long and quite a bit of dancing. Children also shared their Advent gifts of peace and sang the Song of Peace with everyone. Our children and the residents from Rudyerd Court love working together and our visits to each other are becoming an enormous part of the week for everyone involved.





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Tickets for our Early Years and Key Stage 1 Nativity Extravaganza have been selling very well this week! Tickets cost £3 each almost all allocated tickets have been claimed already, if you haven't got your yet please let the school office know if you would like them as soon as possible otherwise they will go on general sale next Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December along with all other unclaimed tickets. There will only be a small number of tickets available in total and we will make some available on ParentMail and keep some in the school office. **Please note that the show begins at 5pm, not 6pm. This will give the time to get your children home and ready and means the show will be over before their bedtime!**



We've reached 55 supporters on our Easyfundraising group this week- keep telling everyone you know to sign up ! You can help school by signing up and making any online purchases through the free service. There are no catches to using the site, you don't need to share bank or payment details, just sign up and choose to support St. Cuthbert's. All you then need to do is search for your chosen store or seller on the easyfundraising site and do your online shopping as normal. If you are booking a holiday, buying any insurance, changing internet suppliers, mobiler phone providers etc. online and do so through the site they make quite big donations to school! It's really easy to get set up and running, all you need to do is:

1. Head to

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stcuthbertsrcprimary/> and join for free.

2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.

3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to St. Cuthbert's at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and we would be really grateful for your support and donations which will go towards all our children.



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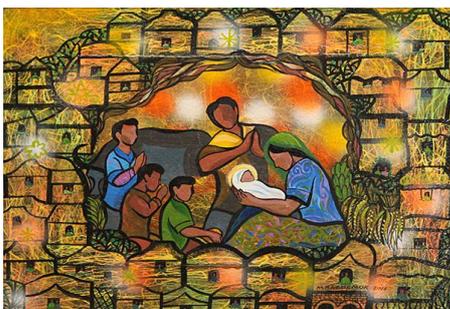
Key Stage 2 held a wonderful winter themed activity morning this week and everyone who came along had a brilliant time. Families had the opportunity to make beautiful decorations, toast marshmallows and make wonderfully fragranced winter garlands. Thank you to everyone who joined us for our E-Safety talk before the activities, a lot of people were very thankful for the workshop and we will make the information from Julian available on the school website, it is also attached to your newsletter email in ParentMail.



Year 5 will be holding an exhibition of their amazing World War II homework in the school hall from 3:15pm next Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December in the school hall. The standard of homework across school is fantastic and the World War II homework from the children will astound you!



Year 1 and year 2 entertained visitor to Northumberland park this week when they sang songs from their forthcoming Christmas Extravaganza and some traditional Christmas Carols. The children were amazing as always and it was brilliant to see so many families come along to support them. Our Key Stage 2 classes will be at Northumberland Park at 10am next Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December to sing their Christmas Carols and songs from our carol service. We would love you to join us if you can and help walk the children to and from the park.



Children from Key Stage 2 joined children from St. Joseph's, Christ Church, Riverside Primary, Cedarwood Nursery and Waterville Primary School to perform the Meadowell Nativity with the Cedarwood Trust yesterday afternoon. It is always a privilege to take part in events with our friends from other schools and local community organisations.



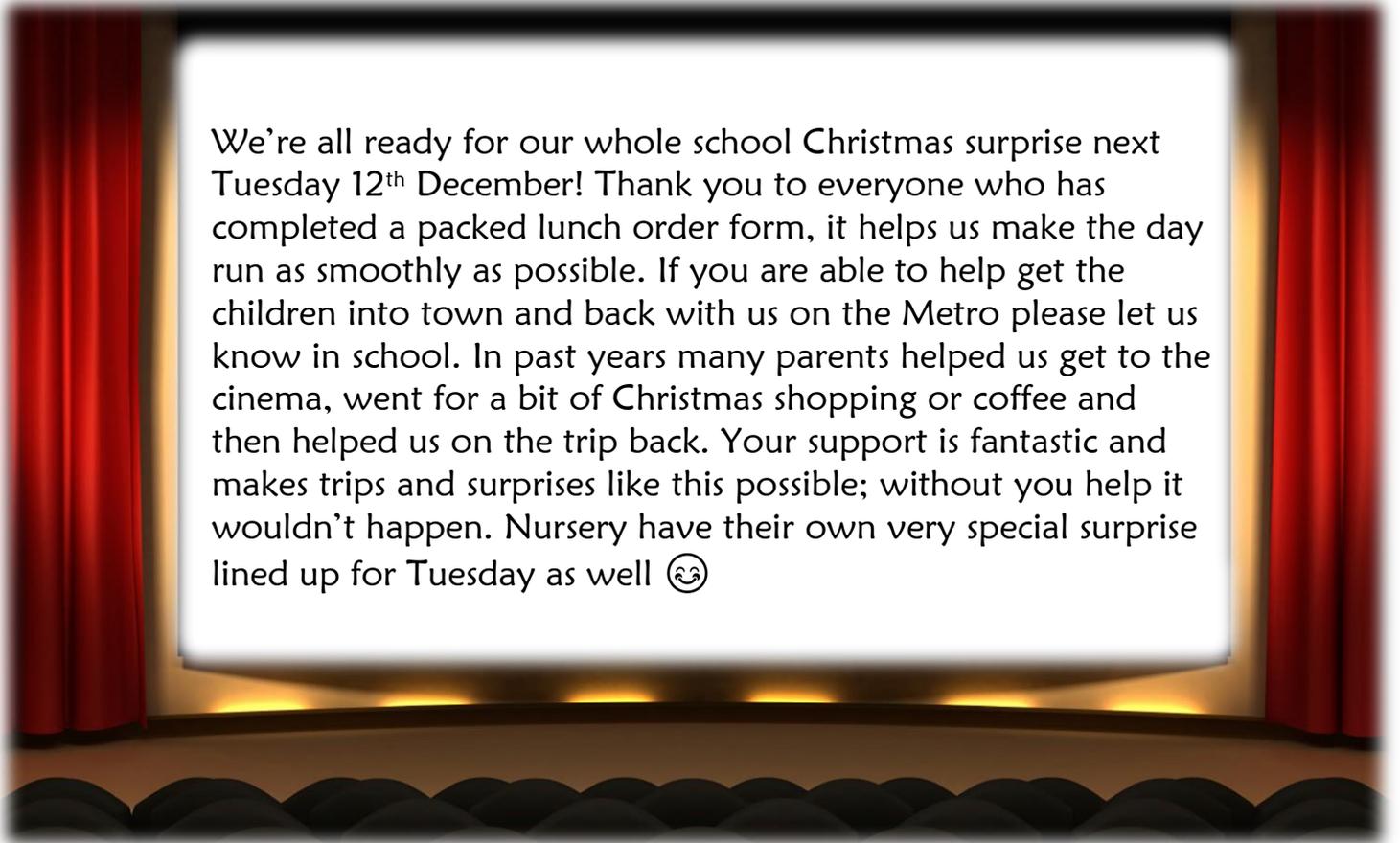
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We're all ready for our whole school Christmas surprise next Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December! Thank you to everyone who has completed a packed lunch order form, it helps us make the day run as smoothly as possible. If you are able to help get the children into town and back with us on the Metro please let us know in school. In past years many parents helped us get to the cinema, went for a bit of Christmas shopping or coffee and then helped us on the trip back. Your support is fantastic and makes trips and surprises like this possible; without you help it wouldn't happen. Nursery have their own very special surprise lined up for Tuesday as well 😊

Our class Christmas parties begin next week with Key Stage 2 all having their parties on Thursday afternoon. Children can bring party clothes to school in a bag and class teachers will be sending information about food home with the children on Monday.

All classes have been sending travelling cribs through St. Cuthbert's school community and we have been delighted that so many people are sharing photos of the cribs in their homes. Keep posting them on Twitter, it is always very special to see that so many people take great pride in having one of the cribs at home for the night.



Thank you for your continued support,  
Shaun Dillon