



# St. Cuthbert's School Newsletter

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




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It was fantastic to welcome everyone back at school on Monday morning ready and excited to begin the new school year. Our new Reception Class and Nursery children settled straight into school and we are excited to welcome all our new families to the community of St Cuthbert's. We look forward to working with you all throughout the year ahead.

Thank you to Fr Chris and the parish for making our Year 3 children so welcome at Mass this morning. This was our first class Mass of the school year and all classes will continue to celebrate Mass with the parish each week. We are always very grateful for any help you can give us walking the children to and from church. If you can help please let a class teacher know. We will begin the school year by sharing a whole school Mass with Fr. Chris and the parish at 9.30am on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September and everyone is welcome to join us.

Weekly Attendance	
Reception	96.6%
 Year 1	99.3%
 Year 2	99.3%
 Year 3	99.3%
Year 4	95.6%
Year 5	98%
Year 6	84.3%
Whole School	<b>96.1%</b>

Children from Year 5 & 6 have enjoyed an amazing time at Hawkthirst this week. They have challenged themselves to climb as high as possible, to build rafts and zip wire through the sky. They have behaved brilliantly and are all a true credit to their families. Thank you also to Mrs Cottiss and Mrs Hughes who gave up their time to take the children to Hawkthirst. Without their dedication, trips like these would not happen. We will let families know about our next residential trip later in the school year.



Year 3 will begin swimming lessons next Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September at Hadrian Leisure Centre where they will have lessons every afternoon until Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. Please make sure they have their swimming kit (including goggles) every day along with a waterproof coat as we will be using the Metro to get to and from the pool and the weather isn't always kind at this time of the year. It might be a good idea to send a spare swimming kit to keep in school over the next 4 weeks in case they forget their kit one day.





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On Monday, children in all our classes were given a pebble which they painted with their own unique design. We will use all the children's pebbles to create a pebble path around the school grounds.



Our after-school clubs will begin next week and will run for 6 weeks up until the end of term. We have sent all necessary information as well as forms for booking onto the clubs via Parentmail. We will be allocating places on the clubs on Monday, so please make sure you have completed and returned your forms by then. If you have any problems signing up for any of the clubs, please see Mrs Wigham or Mrs Taylor in the school office.

Steve from Judo for Schools will be in school doing a demo on Monday, he will then hand out letters/booking forms to children who would like to do Judo Club, which will take place on Fridays. Judo will be allocated on a first come, first served basis – please note there will be a charge for Judo Club as it is an external provider.

It has been wonderful to see the children back at school looking very smart in their new school uniform and PE kits this week. May we remind parents, that our school hoodies are **not to be worn** in place of the school jumper. Children should be wearing the school v-neck jumper and school tie each day for school. If your child has lost their new tie - we do have a few spare striped ties available in the school office for £3 each (unfortunately we don't have any plain ones left) ties are also available from Emblematic- we do not sell any other items of uniform. If you would like extra uniform items you can order from or call into [Emblematic](#) on Longbenton Industrial Estate. Can we kindly ask that all children have their names clearly written on or sewn into their new uniforms, particularly in jumpers, cardigans, ties and PE kits. If your child brings an item of uniform home which isn't theirs can you please return it to school as soon as possible.



We will be holding our MacMillan Coffee Morning on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am in the school hall. Our Mini Vinnies will be organising the event and will send further information home during the week beginning Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September. If you would like to see what is going on at school please keep an eye on our calendar on the school website.

If you don't already follow us on Twitter and would like to please request to follow us and let a class teacher know what your username is so we can give you permission to join. We use Twitter to share the amazing things that happen at St. Cuthbert's every day. If you have any questions for staff, please make sure you ask them in person or phone the school office.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Shaun Dillon