



HRH QUEEN ELIZABETH II 1926 - 2022

Dear parents and carers,

As we embark on a new term at St Cuthbert Mayne, we are deeply saddened by the news of the death of her Majesty the Queen. She embodied a level of lifelong service and dedication that is an example we admire hugely.

It is important that we respectfully mark this moving and historic moment in our nation's history with the children, to help them understand what they will observe and experience in the days and weeks to come. The children have spent some time today reflecting on the invaluable contribution that Her Majesty has made to our country and celebrating her life. We'd like to share with you the prayer that has been released by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales at this time:

*Almighty God,
You are the author and sustainer of all human life;
grant that your servant, Elizabeth our Queen,
whom you granted a long and happy reign as Monarch of these lands
may be forgiven her sins and rewarded with that eternal life
promised to all those born again
in the water of baptism and power of your Spirit.*

*Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit God, forever and ever,
Amen.*

*Eternal rest, grant to her O Lord,
And let Perpetual light shine upon her.*

*May she rest in peace.
Amen.*

*May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed,
Through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen*



Having stood on the other side of the school gates so many times as a parent, it was such a privilege to be able to welcome the parents and children of St Cuthbert Mayne at the same gates for the first time. There have been many familiar smiling faces that have greeted me as they flood through to the playground each morning, although I still have a lot of names yet to learn. Thank you to all the children, staff and parents who have made me feel so welcome this week.



A very warm welcome to all those children, families and staff who are new to our school. It has been wonderful to meet the new reception children this week as they ease their way into school life in small groups.

When visiting classrooms I could hear the children were itching to exchange stories of their summer adventures with one another. Year 5 had the challenge of trying to sum up the six week break in just three words, while Year 4 had to use their imagination when describing things that they *didn't* do over the summer holiday. In Phonics lessons children in Year 1 and 2 have been getting to grips with 'Read Write Inc'; more on that later in the newsletter.

It has been a momentous week in terms of news headlines; who would have thought that the appointment of a new Prime Minister could be so quickly forgotten as we learned of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. I was struck by Liz Truss' statement which described her as the 'the rock on which modern Britain was built.' just a few hours earlier the children had listened to St Matthew's Gospel in Collective Worship and heard Jesus describe Peter as the rock of the church. I am sure there will be many opportunities over the coming weeks for us to reflect on the life of this incredible lady.

God bless,

Thomas Hall

Head of School

Heavenly Father, we give thanks for the Queen's long life, and for all the ways she loved and served those in her care.

We thank you for our school, our families, our friends and our community.

Thank you for your love and blessings in the year ahead. Amen



IMPORTANT: CHANGES TO KS1 HOME READING

As you may be aware, towards the end of the last academic year we began to redevelop the reading provision at school. This year we are really focusing on how we teach reading.

We have invested in a new reading scheme to help pupils in **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2** develop fluent and confident decoding skills, as well as an understanding of what they are reading. The scheme also supports children throughout the school as they develop their reading fluency. The scheme, called **Read Write Inc**, ensures that the books which your child reads at home directly relate to the sounds (phonics) which they learn in class.

For the first two weeks of this academic year, your child will only bring home a 'Sharing Book' (intended to be read with an adult), this is while we assess the children and establish the different reading groups.

Book Bags

In order for this program to work, the children must have their book bags in school every day. By Friday, 16 September your child will also be given a Read Write Inc 'Book Bag Book' in addition to their 'Sharing Book'. Both of these books could be fiction or non-fiction.

Children will be expected to read their 'Book Bag Book' each day and develop their fluency; they should read it at least three times. The first time they read a new book, they are learning to read each word and to develop fluency; the second time, they are developing their expression and the third time they develop their reading comprehension.



Please ensure that you record the name of the 'Book Bag Book' and the dates on which the book was read in their Reading Record.

Colours and Book Bands

Please do not focus on the Read Write Inc colour band as they have their own colour band system, which does not match our old colour band system.

Parent Workshop

There will be a parent workshop on **26 September at 2.30pm**. We would encourage you to attend so that you can learn more about this new scheme and how best to support your child with their reading at home.

Curriculum Meetings

Next week we will begin our series of Curriculum Information Meetings. These are a great opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and also to ask any questions you may have about the nuts and bolts of the year ahead. Please sign in at the front office. These will begin at 2.45pm on the dates listed below:

Year 1: 15 September

Year 4: 22 September

Year 2: 14 September

Year 5: 16 September

Year 3: 19 September

Year 6: 20 September

PE DAYS

From next week the days on which the children need to wear their PE kit will be as follows.

Reception: Wednesday and Friday

Year 1: Wednesday and Thursday

Year 2: Wednesday and Thursday

Year 3: Wednesday and Friday

Year 4: Thursday and Friday

Year 5: Wednesday and Thursday

Year 6: Thursday and Friday

When there are trips or special events taking place it may necessary for classes to swap their PE days some weeks.

NEW CLASSROOMS

The school is usually eerily quiet over the summer holidays, but not this year! The builders have been hard at work throughout, and after lots of banging and drilling we now have two fantastic new classrooms for Year 1 and Year 2 to enjoy.

The main task in each room was to remove the large pillar which really opens up the space - no more restricted view seats! The new Year 2 classroom is pictured without a pillar in sight!

Thank you to Mr Grady for working throughout the summer to ensure that the builders were able to access the site.



GARDENING SUCCESS

Last year members of the Gardening Club tended to some vegetables in the beds along the wall next to the Year 4 classroom. You will no doubt share my delight in hearing that these weren't just any old vegetables, but prize winning ones no less! Huge congratulations to the Gardening Club and many thanks to Mr Grady for entering them to the Okewood, Ockley and Forest Green Summer Fair & Flower Show.





Celebrating Achievements

Each week we celebrate the achievements of all our children during our weekly celebration assembly. Please remember to bring in any out of school achievements to celebrate in our assembly on Friday. Well done to the following children who have been their best selves this week and kept our school values.

Reception St David's Class	For all of our new Reception dren. You have shown great	chil-	friendship and happiness in your first week at St. Cuthbert Mayne school.
Year One St Andrew's Class	For all of Year one for showing kindness and participating so well in all their learning.		
Year Two St Patrick's Class	Luke - For showing kindness this week and helping his peers.		Millie - For her excellent participation during our carpet work, taking responsibility for her learning.
Year Three St George's Class	Charlotte N for happiness and a great beginning to her time at St Cuthbert Mayne.		Orlaith M for happiness and a great beginning to her time at St Cuthbert Mayne.
Year Four St Bernadette's Class	Poppy for showing kindness in helping others with making their worry dolls.		Igor for showing happiness in his learning and participating in class discussions very well.
Year Five St Catherine's Class	Sam N for his enthusiasm in his learning and kindness to others in the class.		Isabelle for her kindness in supporting other children in their learning this week.
Year Six St Teresa's Class	Olly for a superb positive attitude towards your learning. Thank you for your enthusiasm and contributions to class discussions.		Eliska for always being positive, happy, smiling and excited when you come into the classroom each morning.

Happy birthday to all the children who are celebrating their birthdays this week.

Artie Year 5

Isabella and Harrison Year 1

Jack Reception



BUDDY SAYS HI!

Childline

0800 1111



Reminder: Safeguarding

Please can you ensure that you have updated us with any changes relating to:

- Your children's physical or mental health including any updated medical needs/ medication.
- Who the named contacts are who are allowed to pick up your child.
- Changes of address or living arrangements.
- Changes to contact phone numbers. We need to have the contact numbers for a minimum of 2 adults who are contactable during the school day should an emergency arise.
- Any safeguarding concerns that you may have should be reported to either Miss Wilkin as the Designated Safeguarding Lead or Mrs Chalstrey or Mrs Harper (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads) via email dsl@stcuthbert-mayne.surrey.sch.uk or by asking to meet with us. A copy of our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy is available via our website or on request from the school office.

We are aware that many families may still be experiencing challenges and may continue to need support.

GETTING INVOLVED

There are so many ways that you can involve yourself in our school community. From running after school clubs, to helping organise the Library - the children benefit hugely from your time and your talents. What's more, it's hugely rewarding!

So if you can spare an hour a week as a volunteer then please do talk to Mr Hall or any of the team in the office - we'd love to hear from you!



THE PARISH OF CRANLEIGH & BRAMLEY



The **First Communion** Information Evening for parents with children in Year 3 upwards is taking place at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms 14th September.

Children's Liturgy has started again at the 11am Mass at JCROM, Cranleigh and runs every week in term time.

Dates for the diary Autumn 2022

September 2022

5th INSET 1 (Training day for staff and governors) school closed to children
6th Children return to school for start of the Autumn Term
14th 2.45pm Year 2 St Patrick's Class Curriculum Meeting for parent and carers
15th 2.45pm Year 1 St Andrew's Class Curriculum Meeting for parent and carers
15th Swimming lessons for Year 3 start
16th 2.45pm Year 5 St Catherine's Class Curriculum Meeting for parent and carers
19th 2.45pm Year 3 St George's Class Curriculum Meeting for parent and carers
20th 2.45pm Year 6 St Teresa's Class Curriculum Meeting for parent and carers
22nd 2.45pm Year 4 St Bernadette's Class Curriculum Meeting for parent and carers
23rd 2pm Mass for the start of the school year. All welcome.
26th Read Write Inc Parents' Workshop
30th Open Morning 1 for Reception intake September 2022-please book via the school office

October 2022

1st Year 5 St Catherine's Class trip to Legoland Windsor
1st Family Fast Day
1st –31st Black History Month
7th National Poetry Day
8th INSET (training day for school staff) school closed to children
11th School Fun Run for Great Ormond Street Hospital (tbc)
13th 3.15-4.00pm Open Classrooms
13th 6pm Six Weeks in meeting for current Reception St David's Class parents
15th Young Carers get together in school
18th-22nd ARTS week
18th Year 4 St Bernadette's Class Egyptian Day tbc
19th Parents evening online
21st Open Morning 2 for Reception intake September 2022-please book via the school office
21st Parents evening online

OPEN MORNINGS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF CHILDREN STARTING

RECEPTION CLASS IN 2024

Thursday September 29th 9.30am

Thursday October 20th 9.30am

Thursday November 3rd 9.30am

**PLEASE RING THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO BOOK A PLACE ON ONE OF
THESE TOURS.**

Xavier Term & Holiday dates 2022-23

Autumn Term 2022

Half Term

Monday 24th to Friday 28th October

Term ends

Wednesday 21st December.

Spring Term 2023

Term starts

Monday 9th January 2023

Half Term

Monday 13th to 17th February

Term ends

Friday 31st March

Summer Term 2023

Term starts

Monday 17th April

Bank Holiday

Monday 1st May

Half Term

Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June

Terms ends

Friday 21st July

SCHOOL INSET DAYS.

MONDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2022

FRIDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2022

WEDNESDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2023

WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH 2023

WEDNESDAY 7TH JUNE 2023

SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON MONDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2022



PARISH OF CRANLEIGH AND BRAMLEY

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE



FOR YEAR 3'S AND OLDER IN SEPT 2022
INFORMATION SESSION CRANLEIGH HALL
WED 14TH SEPTEMBER 7.30PM

JOIN US!



NEEDED:

NEW FRIENDS TEAM

SEPT 2022



CONTINUE BRINGING THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY TOGETHER. YOUR FUNDRAISING WILL MAKE A MASSIVE DIFFERENCE TO EVERY SCM CHILD.

Contact The Friends on Classlist or email thefriendsscm@gmail.com