

## St Cuthbert Mayne Catholic Primary School



Newsletter 2 Friday, 16 September 2022

With the first full week of term now under our belts I'm sure the familiar school routines are becoming well-established. The children are reacquainting themselves with school life as they get to know their teachers and vice versa. Perhaps it is more important than ever to direct our gaze beyond the Surrey Hills as we live through a historic period of change in this country.

During our assemblies this week we have considered the efforts which people have gone to by queuing overnight in order to pay their respects to the Queen. It's almost easy to forget that we have a new Prime Minister at the helm. This proved a good opportunity for us to talk about democracy; one of our Fundamental British Values. In the first week of term Year 6 spent time in their English lessons drafting, proofreading and finalising their leadership speeches - perhaps yours truly could learn a thing or two from them on the proofreading front! We then had the privilege of listening to them deliver their speeches to the whole school. We were bowled over not only by the quality of their content but also the confidence and enthusiasm with which way they delivered. They can all be very proud of themselves.

From next week we will be a full complement with all of the Reception children joining us for their first full week. We have waited until then to hold our first Mass of the term next Friday; parents and carers are most welcome, and I look forward to seeing many of you there.

I am sure many of you will watch Queen Elizabeth's funeral with your children - for advice on how to speak to your children about The Queen's death visit save the children. I hope you are all able to enjoy a peaceful weekend.

God bless Thomas Hall Head of School

#### **COLLECTIVE WORSHIP**

In our liturgy this week we heard Jesus tell the parable of lost things: a sheep, a coin and even a son.

Through these stories we are reminded how God cares for us and loves us. Even though we sometimes make the wrong choices, this does not mean that God 's love for us dwindles; when we ask for forgiveness God welcomes us back because we are no longer lost.



God of lost sheep, coins and all people, help us to remember you are with us in love and forgiveness every day. Guide us to share your love with others through all that we do.

Amen.

#### Pupil leadership in Year 6

The whole school community listened to some cracking speeches this week. What really shone through was the children's commitment to living out the school values and how much they love their school. St Cuthbert Mayne was described in different speeches as phenomenal, fantastic, fabulous and incomparable. While the speeches of course formed an important part of the decision making process, the staff also considered children's attitude to school life throughout their time at St Cuthbert Mayne.

Head Boy: Olly

Head Girl: Poppy D

Deputy Head Boy: Benedict

Deputy Head Girl: Lucy O'C

Spiritual Council Leads: Harriet P, Toby

	Fatima	Jerusalem	Lourdes	Walsingham
House Captain	Katrina	Oscar	Edgar	Martha F
	Alex M	Amelia	Annie	Kitty
Sport Captain	Seb	Рорру В	Hollie	Lucie S
Infant helper	Alexia, Bethany	Edward, Lois,	Lottie Martha W	Alex N, Isabella
Librarians	Christabel	Amelie, Aidan,	Charlie, Eliska	

Year 6 St Teresa's Class will also be buddying up with Reception St David's Class.

Year 5 St Catherine's will be buddying with Year One St Andrew's Class.

#### **House Teams**

Every child and adult in the school has been allocated to a house team and should now proudly be wearing a badge in their house colours. House points are earnt throughout the day and then added together. Each week the house points are totalled up and celebrated. All children have been given a badge which they should wear on their school uniform. Replacement badges can be bought at the school office for 20p.

The house teams are:

Fatima Jerusalem Lourdes Walsingham

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

As children grow accustomed to the school routine, we ask that they are dropped off at the school gate and that parents and carers of children above reception age do not enter the playground. If there is a need for any parent or carer to enter the school building then please ensure that you come through the front door and sign in.

#### YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The deadline application for these is 31 October – find out more www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions

#### **CLASS REPS**

Thank you so much to all our new class reps this year. Classlist is an excellent tool the Friends have introduced for parents to communicate regarding social and fundraising events. You can register on Classlist <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>

Year R Claire, Heidi and Laura

Year 1 Louise, Caroline and Gabby Year 4 Claire and Laura

Year 2 Jen and Gemma Year 5 Tamara and Nina

Year 3 Meg and Aisling Year 6 Vicky and Susannah

#### **NEW FRIENDS**

Mike, Claire, Lucy and Sarah have done a fantastic job over the last few years but will shortly be finishing as Friends of SCM. Please do speak to them or contact Mr Hall to find out more about how you can be involved in this important role.

#### **ALTAR SERVING TRAINING**

If your child is interested in joining the altar serving team in the Parish, please come along after the 11am Mass this Sunday to find out more.



#### **Curriculum Meetings**

Curriculum Information Meetings have all ready begun. 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: 22 September Year 6: 20 September

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: AUTUMN TERM 2022**

#### COME AND SEE AT HOME

This term we will be studying the three themes of Domestic Church (Family), Baptism and Confirmation (Belonging) and Advent and Christmas (Loving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics. The children will also spend a week studying Judaism.

#### **DOMESTIC CHURCH - FAMILY**

Early Years MYSELF - God knows and loves each one

Year 1 **FAMILIES** - God's love and care for every family

Year 2 **BEGINNINGS** - God is present in every beginning

Year 3 **HOMES** - God's vision for every family Year 4 **PEOPLE** - The family of God in Scripture

**OURSELVES** - Created in the image and likeness of God Year 5

Year 6 **LOVING** - God who never stops loving

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Make a collage using family photographs of all the significant family members grandparents, parents, children, aunts, uncles etc. who show God's love.

Write underneath it

"We show God's love to one another."

Include those who have died.

#### **JUDAISM**

#### **BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION - BELONGING**

**Early Years WELCOME** - Baptism: a welcome to God's family

BELONGING - Baptism: an invitation to belong to Year 1 God's family

SIGNS AND SYMBOLS - Signs and symbols in Baptism Year 2

Year 3 **PROMISES - Promises made at Baptism** Year 4 **CALLED** - Confirmation: a call to witness

Year 5 LIFE CHOICES - Marriage, commitment and service

**VOCATION AND COMMITMENT** - The vocation of priesthood and religious life Year 6

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk to someone who has been to a Baptism and/or Confirmation about their memories of this celebration.

#### **ADVENT/CHRISTMAS - LOVING**

Early Years BIRTHDAY - Looking forward to Jesus' birthday

Year 1 WAITING - Advent: a time to look forward to

Christmas

**PREPARATIONS -** Advent: preparing to celebrate Year 2

Christmas

Year 3 **VISITORS** - waiting for the coming of Jesus

**GIFT** - God's gift of love and friendship in Jesus Year 4

**HOPE** - Advent: waiting in the joyful hope for Jesus, Year 5

the promised one

**EXPECTATIONS** - Jesus born to show God to the world Year 6

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Discuss with the children how your family welcomes visitors to your home.

Find out about some Christian symbols for Advent e.g. Advent wreath, calendar, Jesse tree.

Use the CAFOD or Missio websites to get a religious Advent calendar.

#### **CATHOLIC LIFE**

#### **IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM**

#### **ALL SAINTS**

(1 November)

We celebrate the lives of special and ordinary people who have responded to God's invitation to love.

#### THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)

(2 November)

Today and throughout the rest of November we pray for those who have died.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

#### **OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING**

(20 November)

#### **ADVENT**

(Begins 27 November)

Advent means 'coming'. We think of the coming of Jesus when he was born but we also think of his promise that he would come again at the end of time. It is a time of waiting and preparing. It is only in the last week of Advent that we focus upon the events to be celebrated at Christmas.

#### THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(8 December)

This feast marks the first stage of the existence of Mary, the mother of Jesus.

She was 'full of grace' from the very beginning and co-operated with God throughout her life.

#### CHRISTMAS DAY, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

(25 December)

On this day we begin our celebration of the birth of Christ.

#### THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

(30 December)



always being respectful.

and always trying your best.

Isabella for taking responsibility for your learning, participating in class discussions

St Catherine's Class Year Six

St Teresa's Class

#### **Celebrating Achievements**

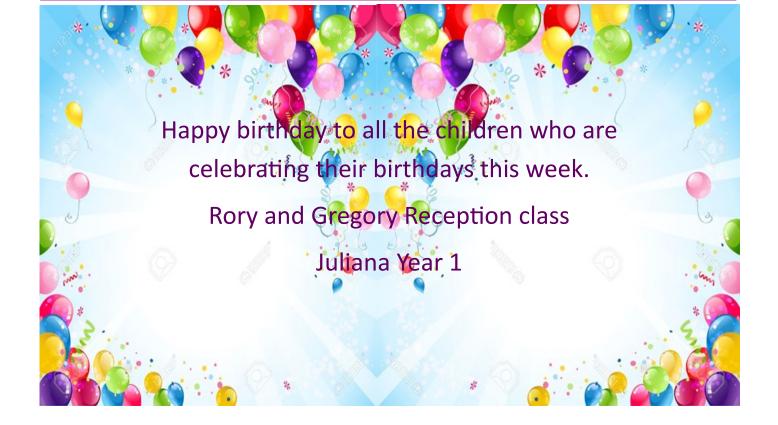
Each week we celebrate the achievements of all our children during our weekly celebration assembly. Please remember to bring in any out of school achievements to celebrate in our assembly on Friday. Well done to the following children who have been their best selves this week and kept our school values.

porting other learners in the class.

even when you haven't been asked.

Martha F for always thinking of ways to help others,

Reception For all our Reception class who have -ness to each other. settled so well and shown great kind St David's Class Year One Julianna for being very brave and trying her Francesco for working very hard this week with exbest at school. cellent behaviour. St Andrew's Class Year Two Isobel - for being a role model in our class by Finley - for being a role model in our class and showalways showing respect. ing respect to all. Teddy - for showing great enthusi-St Patrick's Class asm, responsibility and a fantastic attitude to learning in PE. Year Three Poppy for enthusiasm and happiness in Eli for always showing respect to those around her learning. him. St George's Class Year Four Stefan for excellent communication skills in Lily for working hard to achieve her best and for partner and group work as well as always excellent participation in class discussions. St Bernadette's Class showing happiness in the classroom. Year Five Wilfred for always being ready to learn and Sophia for being really helpful and kind by sup-



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

A day of Rugby training and small-sided games.



LONDON IRISH LADIES IN PARTNERSHIP
WITH BEE-LIEVE FOUNDATION

# BEE-LIEVE IN BOOTS DAY

"THROUGH RUGBY FUN AND FRIENDSHIP, WE WANT TO BENEFIT YOUNG PEOPLE PHYSICALLY, MENTALLY AND SOCIALLY"

When: Sunday 2nd October from 12:30-3:30pm

welcome to socialise afterwards too

Where: Hazelwood, The home of London Irish, Hazelwood Avenue, Sunbury, TW16 6QU

What: London Irish Ladies in partnership with Bee-Lieve, to promote positive mental health

and well-being for young people.

#### **Dates for the diary Autumn 2022**

#### September 2022

19th Bank Holiday—School Closed for funeral of Queen Elizabeth II
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
22nd 2.45pm Year 3 St George's Class Curriculum Meeting for parent and carers
23rd 2pm Mass for the start of the school year. All welcome.
26th 2.30pm Read Write Inc Parents' Workshop
29th 9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents Reception 2023

#### October 2022

4th Year 5 to Winchester Science Centre
7th Inset Day. No school for children
12th Nurse visiting—Flu Jabs All classes
18th District Sport Y4 Y5 Y6
20th Open Morning for prospective parents Reception 2023

#### 24th—28th October HALF TERM

#### November 2022

7th Tempest school photos

# OPEN MORNINGS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF CHILDREN STARTING RECEPTION CLASS IN 2024

Thursday September 29<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Thursday October 20<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Thursday November 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup> to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October

#### Term ends

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December.

### Spring Term 2023

#### **Term starts**

Monday 9th January 2023

#### **Half Term**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> February

#### Term ends

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

#### Summer Term 2023

#### **Term starts**

Monday 17th April

#### **Bank Holiday**

Monday 1st May

#### **Half Term**

Monday 29th May to Friday 2<sup>rd</sup> June

#### Terms ends

Friday 21st July

**SCHOOL INSET DAYS.** 

MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022

FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022

**WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2023** 

WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023

WEDNESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023

SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022