

## St Cuthbert Mayne Catholic Primary School



Newsletter 23 Friday, 17 March 2023

There is always a sense of nervous excitement for any teacher when organising a trip or whole school event. I don't think Ms Robson would mind me saying that we were a little apprehensive about perhaps only receiving a smattering of entries for this week's Science Fair. Of course we should not have been concerned - the Scientists of St Cuthbert Mayne truly rose to the challenge and we had a wonderful array of fascinating experiments and investigations on show. There was a real buzz in the Hall as each class and then parents had the opportunity to wander



round and admire the fantastic displays which ranged from Einstein's Theory of Relativity to a study of how to make old people less grumpy! Many thanks to Cathy Wilson from the Science Department at Glebelands for coming to perform the unenviable task of selecting the winning entries. The winners and some runners up have been invited to display their projects at the Royal Holloway University later this month. I think next year we may have a different dilemma when we are inundated with entries from all those children that didn't take part this year, but have been inspired by their peers. Further details are contained in this newsletter - we make no apology for the number of column inches devoted to this fantastic event; it thoroughly deserves every page.

Another Friday, another excuse for everyone to dress up - this time we were raising money for Comic Relief and there were some truly impressive barnets on show as St Cuthbert Mayne embraced Crazy Hair Day.

Today we were very pleased to welcome a STEM ambassador from Pfizer, who talked to KS2 children about careers in Science and medicine.

Year 2 St Patrick's class had a visit from Fr Alistair today who celebrated a liturgy with them to mark the feast of their class patron saint.

This week saw another INSET day happened to coincide with a teachers' strike day. This was a good opportunity for us to meet with colleagues at two of the other one form entry primary schools within the trust. The life of a class teacher in a single form entry primary school can be a lonely one; being part of the Xavier Trust enables us to share ideas with our colleagues and look to incorporate some of the things that are happening at other schools as well as sharing our own great practice.

God bless Thomas Hall Head of School

#### **COLLECTIVE WORSHIP**

Yet again Jesus' words and actions in this week's Gospel remind of us one of our Fundamental British Values: mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs, and for those without faith. Jesus engages with a Samaritan, something that Jews would not have done at that time. We know that human beings need water to survive, but the water that Jesus offers this woman promises a nourishment that covers so much more than our basic human needs.

Give us and all who thirst for you that living water of your Spirit: water of refreshment, water of healing, water of cleansing, water of life. Amen



#### **HELP FOR PARENTS**

Bringing up children is a lot of fun but can also have its challenges. There are times when receiving some advice can be helpful. If you are a Surrey resident, you can have free access to online parenting guides that include top tips from childcare, education and NHS health experts. Please follow the link for more information on the support and courses provided. <a href="https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/children/support-and-advice/families/support-and-advice/parenting-courses-and-advice/online-guides">https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/children/support-and-advice/families/support-and-advice/parenting-courses-and-advice/online-guides</a>



#### **RWI BOOKS**



As a school, we have heavily invested in the Book Bag Books which relate to the Read, Write, Inc phonics scheme that we teach. It is important that every child in a group can read the same book at home so that we can ask the children comprehension questions about what they have read. Unfortunately, a high number of books have not been returned or been returned to us damaged. We understand that accidents do happen, and sometimes books are lost, but we need to replace each damaged or lost book.

Please could you look for any Book Bag Books at home and return them. The Book Bag Books are changed every Friday. Going forward, if a book has not been returned, a charge of £6.00 will be added to your SCOPAY account to cover the time, cost and postage of ordering a replacement book.

#### **SCIENCE FAIR**

Thank you to all who participated in the science fair on Tuesday afternoon. It was a huge success; I was overwhelmed by the standard and the knowledge the children showcased for their project. The hall was alive with science, there was a magnificent buzz as entrants showed their projects to all year groups throughout the school and parents after school. A huge well done to all the children who took part and their families - THANK YOU!





#### The winner for KS1 is:

Phoebe (Y2) - Improving my brothers confidence investigation

The runners up for KS1 are:

Poppy (Y1) - How can I remove my chip from the tube? Imogen (Y2) - How do earthquakes happen?

Luke (Y2) - Which drinks are bad for me?

George (Y2) - How can I stop apples going brown?



#### The winner for KS2 is:

Lexi (Y3) - Can I make predictions about how fabric will behave by looking at fibres?

The runners up for KS2 are:

Orlaith (Y3) - Which surface is best for the Easter bunny to safely deliver her eggs? Sophia and Freya (Y4) - How do you get an electric shock without touching electricity? Clara and Natasha (Y5) – How does heart rate vary when doing different exercises? Amelie (Y6) - How does water generate electricity?

Lucy O and Harriet P (Y6) - What do you think is the most important part of the human body?

These children are invited to showcase their science project at Royal Holloway University on Monday 27th March, more details will follow to these specific children.



#### **SCIENCE FAIR continued**

# Well done to the below children for producing amazing projects, certificates will be given out in our end of term celebration assembly.

George (R) - The Happiness Experiment

Edith (R) - Where do most creepy crawlies live?

Emily (Y1) - Do tall people have bigger hands and feet?

Oscar (Y1) - Bubble Snakes

Isobel (Y1) - What colours are in sweets?

Iggy (Y1) - What is Electricity?

Juliana (Y1) - How does the amount of water in a glass affect the sound it makes?

Olivia (Y1) - Does the material matter in a parachute?

Rueben (Y1) - Volcano Experiment

Finley (Y2) - Albert Einstein E=MC<sup>2</sup>

Poppy (Y3) - How does the water travel into the empty cups?

Daisy (Y3) - The best kitchen towel for spills

Isla (Y3) - Why does the volcano erupt when you add three things together?

Anayah (Y3) - Why does a certain amount of sugar not mix with other sugar amounts which are larger?

Mercy (Y3) - The story of a scientific legend - Marie Curie

Arabella (Y3) - Do you think what causes a cough?

Albie and Theo (Y3) - How do people in the Southern Hemisphere not just float off?

Amelie (Y3) and Carys (Y1) - What happens if you don't have soft water?

Ruby (Y3) - How does my body react to different types of exercise travelling along the same one-mile distance?

Jasper and Aurelia (Y4) - Water Erosion

Tori and Lauren (Y4) - How stars are made?

William P (Y4) - How many lemons does it take to light a bulb?

Poppy and Lottie (Y4) - Did you know copper needles are in space?

Bohdan (Y4) - Herons Fountain

Taj (Y5) - Which materials conduct electricity?

Casper (Y5) - Does colour affect our perception of taste?

Hannah and Isobel (Y5) - What happens if you put a raw egg in vinegar for 24 hours?

Daisy and Darcie PS (Y5) - What is space?

Maisie and Poppy (Y5) - What is the best material for teabags?

Charlie (Y6) - What is the periodic table?



#### THE FRIENDS—INFORMATION

#### **School Discos**

Over 140 children have registered for today's discos. Huge thanks to everyone who has bought tickets, and to all the volunteers who are so generously giving their time to run the discos. We hope the children have a great time.

#### Mother's Day Cake Raffle

The Mother's Day Cake raffle has raised £80.40. A big thank you to everyone who bought tickets, and to Libby for baking such a lovely cake. Congratulations to our lucky winner, Holly in Year 1. Uniform Donations Thank you to whoever left a bag with uniform donations at the school gates recently. We really appreciate it.

#### Save the Date

Thurs 30/3 and Friday 31/3: "Win cakes for your class" raffle. The lucky winner will win Easter-themed cakes for their class to take home on the last day of term.

#### **PUPIL PREMIUM (PP)**

Pupil Premium is additional funding to raise the attainment of particular pupils of all abilities and to close the gaps between them and their peers.

At St. Cuthbert Mayne, we believe that the highest possible standards can only be achieved by having the highest expectations of all learners. Some pupils from particular backgrounds require additional support; therefore, we will use all the resources available to help them reach their full potential.

When your child starts at our school, we ask you to complete a form in order for us to assess eligibility, however, we are fully aware that family circumstances may have changed since then. We would therefore encourage all families to review the form again and thus enable us to identify any further children who may be eligible to PP funding. The forms themselves also contain information about eligibility criteria.

If your child is in EYFS (Reception Class) please click here:

<u>PUPIL PREMIUM APPLICATION FORM (RECEPTION & Samp; KS1) JULY 2018.pdf</u> (stcuthbertmayne.co.uk)

If your child is in KS1 (Year 1 or Year 2) please click here:

<u>PUPIL PREMIUM APPLICATION FORM (RECEPTION & Samp; KS1) JULY 2018.pdf</u> (stcuthbertmayne.co.uk)

If your child is in KS2 (Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6) please click here

FREE SCHOOL MEAL PUPIL PREMIUM APPLICATION FORM (NURSERY KS 2-4) JULY 2018.pdf (stcuthbertmayne.co.uk)

#### **SAFEGUARDING REMINDER**

It will come as no surprise to hear that the children's safety is paramount. As such we cannot allow parents or carers to enter the school building without having signed in at the school office first. Please adhere to the following guidelines:

**Reception**: please drop your children with the teacher at the gate to the EYFS playground.

**Year 1:** either drop your children at the main school gate or accompany them to the start of the passageway by the bike shelter.

**Year 2 and above:** please drop your children at the main school gate.

Of course we understand that occasionally children might want to be accompanied a little further or might need some help putting their bike or scooter away - please try to remember to mention this to me or the member of SLT on the gate.

If you need to pass a message to your child's teacher in the morning then please mention this to me or the member of SLT on the gate or to the office staff. If you feel that you might need to have a longer conversation with the class teacher then please make an appointment by contacting the office. The end of the school day is probably an easier time to have a brief conversation with your child's teacher if neces-

#### POSITIVE AND RESPECTFUL PARKING

We continue to be very grateful to all our parents that park and stride/cycle/walk to school, and to those that park safely and respectfully around the neighbouring roads.

We are aware that some people continue to park on the yellow zig-zag lines outside the school and the church car park. Rule 243 of the Highway Code states that road users must not park near a school entrance; for the safety of all the children at St Cuthbert Mayne, we would ask that all members of our community adhere to this rule and do not park on the yellow zig-zag lines.

We must also ensure that we are polite and respectful to local residents at all times.

Please show your children, by your actions, that positive and respectful parking is a way to show that you care about other pedestrians, neighbours and road users. Be a good role model!





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Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe.



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Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on www.thinkuknow.co.uk





Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you.





You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found.



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Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you like your teachers, parents, carers or contact Childline – 0800 11 11 or www.childline.org.uk





BE SMART WITH A HEART

Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.

WWW.CHILDNET.COM

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Angelo - for being a helpful and Reception respectful member of the class. St David's Class Year One Holly and Florence for working so

Ava Rose - for fantastic letter formation in phonics.

Year Two George B for a brilliant recount of our class trip

well together in Maths.

St Andrew's Class

St Patrick's Class

Izabella for always upholding the school values and trying her very best in everything she does.

Year Three Evie who is an excellent role model St George's Class

to her peers as she is always showing Victoria for perseverance and effort in her kindness, responsibility

learning - well done!

Year Four Freya for working hard in maths to

and respect.

St Bernadette's Class achieve a better understanding. Keep believing in yourself - you CAN do it!

Florence G for sowing happiness in the classroom and trying her best in maths. You always show great perseverance.

Year Five We are celebrating Clara this week for her happiness and enthusiasm in St Catherine's Class

class and willingness to learn and the love and kindness that she shows to

the class.

Year Six Harriet P, Lucy O'C, Amelie and Char-

lie for going the extra mile and pro-

ducing a brilliant entry for the

Science Fayre.

Congratulations also to Tajriyan for his continued hard work and love for learning and the effort he puts into all of his lessons and achievements.



St Teresa's Class

# HOUSE POINTS Weekly / Overall total

**FATIMA** 192 2534



LOURDES 203

2935

WALSINGHAM

228 2437



**JERUSALEM** 

204 2817





# BUDDY SAYS HI! Childline 0800 1111



# Remember to tell Mr Hall / Miss Wilkin / Mrs Chalstrey / Mrs Harper if you are concerned about a child at St Cuthbert Mayne.

Helping children to stay safe online: Parents may wish to access any of the following websites for online safety information to support their children with safe internet use:

Think U know: <a href="https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk">www.thinkuknow.co.uk</a> Thinkuknow is the education programme from The National Crimes Agency's Child Exploitation and online Protection Centre (CEOP). The website is suitable for children aged 5-16 and has a section for parents/carers.

NSPCC: <a href="www.net-aware.org.uk">www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety</a> Resources produced by the NSPCC for parents, including Net Aware, a tool which reviews the most popular apps. They also provide advice on 'sexting', online gaming and parental controls. The NSPCC helpline number is 0808 8005002

ChildLine: <a href="www.childline.org.uk">www.childline.org.uk</a> The ChildLine website provides information and advice on a wide range of issues including online and offline safety. Advice includes using social media, cyberbullying, online grooming, taking care of your digital footprint and mobile phone safety. The ChildLine helpline is 0800 1111

Zipit App: <a href="https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/sexting/zipit-app/">https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/sexting/zipit-app/</a> Zipit is an app designed in conjunction with Childline to help young people decline requests for nudes and inappropriate content.

https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/sexting/report-nude-image-online/ Another app supported by Childline to assist young people in removing nudes from the internet.

UK Safer Internet Centre: <a href="www.saferinternet.org.uk">www.saferinternet.org.uk</a> UK Safer Internet Centre provides online safety tips, advice and resources to help children and young people stay safe online. Advice also includes setting up parental controls and what to consider before buying mobile devices.

Childnet: <a href="www.childnet.com">www.childnet.com</a> Childnet has resources, including videos and storybooks, to help you discuss online safety with your children. It includes advice on setting up parental controls, cyberbullying and setting up a family agreement for safer internet use. It has a parent and carer toolkit. Childnet have produced smart rules for online safety, using Widget symbols; these can be displayed near computers as a visual reminder. They have also produced the STAR SEN Toolkit to explore online safety with young people who have special educational needs.

Internet Matters: <a href="www.internetmatters.org">www.internetmatters.org</a> Internet Matters provides advice by age group. Advice incudes setting up appropriate controls and filters on a range of devices, cyberbullying, online grooming and self-harm.

<u>Parent Info</u>: Parent Info provides information to parents and carers about a wide range of topics including games, apps and tech, health and wellbeing.

BBC "Own It" Website and App: <a href="www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/own-it-app">www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/own-it-app</a>

The BBC Own It Website provide advice for parents and carers and aims to help children aged 8-13 "be the boss" of their online lives. The website has videos and activities to explore with children and includes an app which can be downloaded (for children aged 8+) on children's devices to help them use technology safely and responsibly. <a href="www.childnet.com/resources/step">www.childnet.com/resources/step</a>

#### **Dates for the diary SPRING 2023**

#### March 2023

17th Bookings for Parents Consultation meetings open on-line 9am

21st Year 6 SATs information 2.45pm—Year 6 classroom

3.30pm-4pm Year 4 Multiplication Table Check: Info. meeting for Y4 parents and children

24th Bookings for Parents Consultation meetings closed on–line 9am

Parent teacher consultations 3.40pm—6.30pm Face to Face in school hall.
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30th –31st Raffle to win your class cakes before Easter.

31st End of term - midday

#### April 2023

17th First day of term.

21st Deadline for bringing in Coronation Bunting Competition entries.

26th—28th Year 4 Bikeability Level 1

#### June 2023

**19th** St. Peter's Induction Day: for children starting St. Peters in September 2023.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

A reminder that the school day begins at 8.50am. The register is completed by 9am - if your child is unwell and is unable to attend school, please ensure that you have contacted us before 9am on each day of absence in order to let us know.

If you consider that there are exceptional circumstances relating to an absence, please complete a Request for Absence Form, available from the office.





### IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

# MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD 1 January

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 6 January

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 8 January

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
2 February

ASH WEDNESDAY 22 February

ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 20 March

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD
25 March

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD 2 April

> MAUNDY THURSDAY 6 April

> > GOOD FRIDAY 7 April

EASTER SUNDAY 9 April

## 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. 12pm finish.

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 31st 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





