



## St. Cuthbert's R.C. Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic year here at St Cuthbert's! As usual we are looking forward to a busy term working, playing and learning with your children.

We are keen to strengthen our partnership with parents and for you to join us on many occasions, please see below for upcoming dates and times.

### Meet the teacher!

Next Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September parents/carers of children in Reception, Year 1 and Y2 Mrs Bray are welcomed to school at 2.30pm for an informal look at their child's class and to meet their child's teacher. Information will be given out about topics and ways to help your child at home. The session will end at 3pm.

The session for Y6, Y5, Y4, Y3 and Mrs Colley's Class is on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm

### First Holy Communion Programme

Parents of children in Y4 who wish for their child to prepare for the sacrament **must** pick up a registration form from church and return it to church. Forms are available after 9am Mass each Sunday.

### Attendance

Well done to all our children. We reached our target of 96% last year our highest attendance yet! An ice-cream van will be visiting the school on Friday as a reward. Keep it up!

### Reading expectations

Reading is our most important key skill. All children are expected to read at least four times per week and this increases in Y5 and Y6.

Children who do not have the opportunity to read at home will be provided with an opportunity at break times. This is not a punishment it is catch up time so they do not fall behind. Reading is relaxing and fun - a great way to spend 10 minutes!

### Parents Evenings

Formal parent's evenings will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm until 6pm. Please keep one of these evenings available in your diary.

### Winter Story Evening

A story night will be held for children and their parents on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 6-7pm in the school hall. All welcome - come in your PJs! Parents must attend with their child.

### New staff

I am pleased to welcome Miss Wilde to our teaching staff and hope she will be very happy at St Cuthberts. Miss Wilde is teaching Y5 this year. Mrs Colley has been appointed as our assistant Headteacher alongside Mrs Daly and myself as a senior leader.

### Uniforms

The children have returned looking exceptionally smart in their new uniforms. Please ensure all items are **labelled** especially PE shoes and PE clothes. Long hair must be tied up for reasons of safety. Jewellery is not allowed, including earrings. Thank you for your support.

### Extra funding for school

Please be reminded that children in KS1, (Reception to Y2) are **all** entitled to free schools meals. However **if you are entitled to benefits the school may be able to access extra money for your child via pupil premium funding. It only takes a phone call to register and ensures the school receives extra funding for your child. Please see the office for details.**

### Parent helpers

We are always looking for parents to help in class especially to listen to the children read. If you can offer a little time to hear children read or help out in school please give your name to the school office. We are very grateful for your time and couldn't do some activities without the support you provide. Thank you.

### School Gates

The school gates will be opened at 8.30am from which time a member of staff will be on duty. The school is not responsible for the children prior to 8.50am and parents must ensure their children are supervised.

### Upcoming dates for diaries

**Meet the teacher EY and KS1** -Mrs Mudd, Miss Wilson, Mrs Flounders and Mrs Bray-  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm

**Meet the Teacher KS2** - Mrs Colley, Mrs Craig, Mr Tennant, Mr MacDermid, Miss Wilde and Mrs Maw Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2.30pm

**KS1 Disco** - Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 5-6.30pm

**KS2 Disco** - Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 -Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October 5- 6.30pm

Mrs Colley's class can attend whichever disco they would prefer.

**Parents Evening** - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October 3-6pm and Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 3-6pm. More details nearer the time.

**PD Day -Friday 26<sup>th</sup>October** - Children are **not** in school due to staff training and development. (Finish for half term on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October)

**Story Night - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November** 6-7pm in school Hall.

Kind Regards  
Mrs J Wilson