

St. Cuthbert's R.C. Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful summer break and are ready for another successful year at St Cuthbert's. A very warm welcome to all our new families and children and to those returning to a new class. Work hard and enjoy your learning.

SAT success for St Cuthbert's

We are very pleased to announce that out KS2 SAT results this year were all above national expectations 85% reading, 85% maths, 91% writing and 79%combined (R/W/M) Our progress is also above national giving our<u>best</u> results ever at KS2. At KS1 and EY our results were broadly in line with national, a more detailed report will follow soon. **Well done** to all our staff and children; you should be very proud of our continually improving school.

Meet the Teacher!

Tuesday 19th September parents of children in Y1 to Y6 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 3.30pm so drop in anytime.

A similar session will be held for the Reception/Y1 children, a little later, on Monday 25th September. (Details to follow)

<u>Parents Evenings</u>

Formal parent's evenings will be held on 16th and 17th October from 3-6pm. Please add this date to your diary.

<u>New staff</u>

I am pleased to announce two new additions to our school staff. We welcome Mr Williamson as our sports coach and Miss Wilson who teaches across KS2 in the afternoons to release teachers for planning and assessment time. I wish them a wonderful and successful year at St Cuthbert's.

School Improvements

The commitment from our Governors to improve the school environment continues. Over the holidays the school had new windows in PVC to replace the old wooden sash windows. I know, you'll agree, that it looks very smart.

<u>Uniforms</u>

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. All children must wear **black shoes** or **black** trainers. Jewellery is not allowed, <u>including</u> <u>earrings</u>. Thank you for your support in this.

100 Club

Our 100 club is beginning again next Thursday. Numbers are available from PTA members Mrs Louise Dagg, Mrs M. McCarthy or Mrs Smith at a cost of £1 per month. You have the chance of winning £50 each month, £50 is raised for the school towards trips, visitors and any extra activities or equipment that is required. Last year's club was very successful and made £500 for the school.

<u>School Gates</u>

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.

<u>Upcoming dates for diaries</u>

<u>Meet the Teacher</u> - Classes 3 to 10 (Y1 to Y6) - Tuesday 19th September at 2.30pm

<u>**Parents Evening</u>** - Monday 16th October 3-6pm and Tuesday 17th October 3-6pm More details nearer the time.</u>

<u>PD Day</u> -Friday 20th October 2017 - Children are not in school due to staff training and development.

Finally, I am not in school this week as I am having a small operation (ablation) at James Cook Hospital. Mrs Daly will be in charge and able to see you if you have any questions or queries.

Kind regards Mrs J Wilson