

# St Cuthbert & The First Martyrs' Catholic Primary School



**Executive Headteacher: Mr D Copley    Head of School: Mrs R Winnery**

## YOUR TUESDAY NEWS

**Date: Tuesday 22nd September 2015**

**Through the sign of the cross we follow Jesus**

### Dear Parents, Carers and Parishioners



**St Vincent  
de Paul Society**  
England and Wales  
Turning Concern into Action

Mr Copley led our whole school worship yesterday morning. He showed the children a picture of a lady called Eileen. He talked to the children about some of the amazing work she does in her spare time. She helps feed the homeless, helps in supporting young parents and local people who are less fortunate than most. Every Saturday morning, on her 'day off' she gets up really early to go and support at the soup

kitchen, to feed the homeless. She does some amazing work, she has a strong faith and is selfless in her approach to life and putting the needs of others first.

Tracey Riberal from Year 6 then read Sunday's reading from the Holy Gospel According to Mark. 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

Mr Copley asked the children why the Gospel reading and the story of Eileen were closely linked. We talked about serving God, welcoming all people, especially those in need. Mr Copley asked everyone to do their little bit and to bring a tin in to help support the work of the soup kitchen.

### The SVP Bring a Tin Appeal 2015

The SVP are appealing for tins of food which are donated to the poor and needy and are divided between the Franciscan Father's soup kitchen and the Bradford North food bank, both of these projects are supported by the St. Vincent de Paul Society.



### Celebrating our Special Gifts

**Each class is collecting Gold Coins for their treasure chests and the winners each week will receive a prize! Each Class has created a name:**

Nursery:	<b>Mini Skulls</b>
Reception:	<b>Little Treasures</b>
Year 1:	<b>Mr Booth's Brave Bucaneers</b>
Year 2:	<b>Swalshbucklers</b>
Year 3:	<b>Hit The Deck</b>
Year 4:	<b>Ye-aargh 4 Terrible Tordoffs</b>
Year 5:	<b>Full Fathom Five</b>
Year 6:	<b>Pieces of Six</b>

**Congratulations to: MUSTAFA MAJID, ZOYA HUSSAIN, FATIMA TU-ZARA, MOHAMMED NAQVI, ARCHIE COLLINS, CALLUM ELWOOD, BILAL BASHIR, IRAM MALIK and ELAINAR SALEEM who were awarded class merits for their achievements for last week in our Celebration Worship on Friday morning at 9.10 am.**



**The Headteacher's Award went to Kai Gellang.**

## Our Statement to Live By this week - 'I can say how I feel'

### Attendance

#### **EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS**

Can you reach our new whole school target of 97%?

If we reach 97% our attendance will be Outstanding. Over the last few years we have all worked tirelessly to improve attendance. Please help us reach our target!

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE TARGET	% LAST WEEK w/b 14/9/15	%ATTENDANCE this year to date
Reception	97	92.76	95.27
Year 1	97	94.77	97.58
Year 2	97	98	95
Year 3	97	100	99.24
Year 4	97	98.97	96.42
Year 5	97	98.62	99.47
Year 6	97	98.71	98.64
<b>Average</b>	97	97.46	97.43
<b>NEW TARGET</b>	97%	97%	97%

#### **Eid**

Eid falls on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September. Please remember to fill in a Leave of Absence form - available from the office, as soon as possible. Most parents are choosing to take just one day off. Children are allowed three days off for Religious Observance for the whole school year, but only two days off consecutively. If you decide to take two days now then only one will be authorised for further Religious Observance.

*We wish all our muslim children a happy Eid Mubarak*

#### **Friends of the School**

The **AGM** is to be held on **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30 pm** in school. The AGM will include the election of the Chair, Deputy Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. It will be followed by a normal meeting to plan events for the school year. **Everyone is welcome.** It would be nice to see some new faces. The 'Friends' are very important to our school community. They organise many fantastic fundraising events throughout the year and generate much needed funds which is then donated to school and benefits all our children.

#### **Year 5 Class Worship**

This **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September** is our Year 5 Class Worship. Parents are more than welcome to attend. From **9.15am** until **9.45am**.

#### **Home School Agreement**

A copy of the Home School Agreement will be sent out this week. Please make sure you read it with your child, sign where indicated, and return to school as soon as possible. We have added to the agreement to cover a number of additional aspects. This covers all our roles in keeping children safe online, e-safety and permissions for the use of photos on the website, twitter and the newsletter.

A **Data Collection Sheet** will also be sent out at the same time. Please read carefully and amend accordingly. It is very important that school keeps a record of everything on this sheet. Please check to make sure that any new medical conditions are added or crossed out if they no longer apply. Mrs Caine will have to chase up all those who do not return it.

## General Notices

**School Dinner Money** for **Years 3, 4, 5 and 6** is **£1.55 per day or £7.75 per week**.

Dinner money is to be paid on a daily basis or on the Monday for that week.

**Swimming Money £15.00** for Years 1, 2, 3 and 5 is due for this term. Thank you to those parents who have already paid.

### Extended Schools Provision

There are still places available for **Breakfast Club** which is open from **7.45 am** at a cost of £2.50 and **After School Club** is open until **5 pm** for £4.50 per session.

### Punctuality

Please can we encourage all children and families to arrive at school on time. This really does help the children settle in and ensure they are ready to learn straight away. Thank you in anticipation of your support. Thank you to all those who support school with punctuality every day!



### Key dates and calendar

These are available on the school website for the whole year.

[www.stcuthberts.bradford.sch.uk](http://www.stcuthberts.bradford.sch.uk)

### Collective Worship/Assemblies

We have slightly changed the Worship/Assembly timetable this year.

<b>Monday</b>	Every week we will join for Whole School Worship on a Monday led by Mr Copley or Mrs Winnery.
<b>Tuesday</b>	The children will join together each Tuesday for Key Stage Worship which will be led by staff throughout school.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Worship will be in class.
<b>Thursday 9:10 am</b>	Class Worships (Assemblies) will take place on a rota. Children will share their learning and <b>parents/carers and our community will be more than welcome to join us in school.</b>
<b>Friday 9:10 am</b> 	Celebration Worship will take place every week where we will celebrate the achievements of children each week. We will also celebrate whole class achievements and will see which class has collected the most 'Gold Coins'.  <b>Everyone welcome.</b> 

If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils, please ask to speak to Mrs Winnery, Mrs Farrell, Mrs Walsh or Mr Copley.