

St Cuthbert & The First Martyrs' Catholic Primary School



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YOUR TUESDAY NEWS

Date: Tuesday 19th January 2016

Through the sign of the cross we follow Jesus

Dear Parents, Carers and Parishioners



On Monday Mrs Winnery began Worship by congratulating the Year 3 children that had been presented to the Parish on Sunday as part of their enrolment on the First Holy Communion Programme. She asked the school to keep them in their prayers. Amelia Summers then read the Sunday Gospel where we heard the story of The Wedding Feast at Cana where Jesus performed his first miracle changing water into wine.

Next Mrs Winnery talked to the Children about a very special event in the Catholic Church called the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. This is a Holy Year called by the Church in which we receive a blessing and pardon from God. The jubilee year began on the 8th December 2015 and will close on 20th November 2016, the Feast of Christ the King.

The Holy Year of Mercy celebrates being a witness of mercy and invites us all to follow the example of God our merciful and forgiving Father. Pope Francis marked the beginning of the year by opening the Holy Door at St Peter's in Rome and during Advent a Holy Door was opened by Bishop Marcus in St Anne's Cathedral in Leeds. Mrs Winnery told the children that to walk through a Holy Door is a sign that you want to change, to experience God's love and mercy which brings hope and joy.



Mrs Winnery tasked the children with creating Holy Door in school, decorating their doors with words, pictures and symbols that show Jesus' love and mercy. Each class was assigned an act of Mercy and encouraged to find out about a special person or Saint that lived out these acts of Mercy in their daily lives.

















To help Mrs Winnery throughout this special year she would like to appoint 'Apostles of Mercy', children willing to give up their time to learn more about God and to help support the Year of Mercy in school. Any children interested are to make themselves known to Mrs Winnery by Friday.

Mrs Winnery & Mr Copley

Our Statement to Live By this week:

'I listen to what you say. I show I am listening to you.'

Every week we look to celebrate excellence in all we do. Each class is collecting Gold Coins for their treasure chests and the winners each week will receive a prize!

Celebration Worship Leaderboard		
Year Group	Class Pirate Name	Winners
Nursery:	Mini Skulls	
Reception:	Little Treasures	 
Year 1:	Mr Booth's Brave Buccaneers	
Year 2:	Swalshbucklers	 
Year 3:	Hit The Deck	  
Year 4:	Ye-aargh 4 Terrible Tordoffs	  
Year 5:	Full Fathom Five	  
Year 6:	Pieces of Six	

Congratulations to:

Harry Taylor, Gian Guevarra, Gracious Rajesh, Alvin Bavukiye, Nikola Ungurian, Ryan Rajesh, Abigail Ferrer and Zaki Javed who were awarded Class Merits for their outstanding achievements for last week in our Celebration Worship last Friday.



Mr Copley & Mrs Winnery's Headteacher's Award went to Erin Kelby.

If your child has achieved something outside of school we will celebrate their achievements in our special Celebration Worship. However, due to all the children being so unbelievably talented we will now do this on the last Friday in the month.

**Attend Today
Achieve Tomorrow**

**EVERY SCHOOL
DAY COUNTS**

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

**If we reach 97%
our attendance
will be
Outstanding.**

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE TARGET	% LAST WEEK w/b 11/01/2016	% ATTENDANCE this year to date
Reception	97	99.29	95.13
Year 1	97	99.03	94.97
Year 2	97	98.97	96.18
Year 3	97	99.66	98.04
Year 4	97	89.67	94.88
Year 5	97	100	99.14
Year 6	97	97.33	97.13
Whole School	97	97.31	96.38
NEW TARGET	97%	97%	97%

Over the last few years we have all worked tirelessly to improve attendance. Please help us reach our target!

Celebration Worship

This week our Celebration Worship will be held on **Friday** morning at **9.15am**. Everyone is welcome.

Media Literacy Leaders

Last week Mrs Tordoff took a group of children to a film media session. The children have been trained to help to become Class Media Literacy Leaders. They are Cezary Kalinski, Sylwester Tomczak, Danyaal Razwan, Aaisha Hussain, Malaika Ahmed and Arielle Bavukiye.

Dinner Money

Dinner money is now **£1.60 per day, £8.00 per week**. Payment must be sent in on a daily basis or paid for weekly, in advance. Years Reception to Year 2 currently receive free universal school meals.

Please make sure that all payments are placed in an envelope with your child's name and class, clearly marked with what the money is for.

Year 6 SATs

SATs booster classes are up and running again.

On our Twitter page **@SCFM_Tweets** and the **Year 6 Class Page** on our website, you will find a Parents' Guide to the KS2 SATs which explain the big changes for this year's tests. If you have any questions please speak to Miss Burgess.



Year 6 children should now be making use of their SATs Buster Revision Books. Please support your child in the run up to these important tests.

Bad Weather Procedure



St Cuthbert & The First Martyrs' Catholic Primary School will always endeavour to remain open to educate the children in our care. However, because of the very nature of the school site and the surrounding roads, snow and ice are a particular issue and there may be rare occasions when inclement weather may force us to close the school. This is due to health and safety considerations for both the staff and pupils.

If the school is closed before the start of the school day, parents will be contacted via text message as soon as possible. Please make sure the school office has your up to date mobile telephone number.

Local radio stations the 'Pulse' and Radio Leeds, the Telegraph and Argus and the Bradford Schools Online website will also have a list of closed schools. Further guidance is available on their page: <https://bsc.bradford.gov.uk/Schools/Home.aspx#schoolclosures>

- If the school needs to be closed during the day, parents will be contacted by text to request that they pick up their children as soon as possible.
- It is the parents' responsibility to ensure that they or another carer can get to school to pick up their child/children.
- Parents should inform the office of the person(s) named to collect their child in the event that they cannot get back to school in time.
- If you have work commitments please arrange for emergency day care **before** the winter sets in.

Be prepared should the school have to close at short notice.



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<https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=424388321072615>

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.