

# St Cuthbert & The First Martyrs' Catholic Primary School



## YOUR TUESDAY NEWS

Date: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Through the sign of the cross we follow Jesus

### Dear Parents, Carers and Parishioners

In Monday's Worship we took the theme forgiveness and the quote from Colossians as our focus, "Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you forgive others."

Mrs Winnery asked the children to share what they thought it meant to forgive someone. They said first someone has to say sorry and then they had to give the person who had hurt them another chance.



Mrs Winnery explained the phrase 'wiping the slate clean' and asked the children for examples of how you could hurt someone. The children listed; talking about someone behind their back, tripping someone over on purpose and not listening to their parents and Mrs Winnery wrote them down on a whiteboard. Kian, in Reception, came out to the front and showed how he could wipe the list away.

Mrs Winnery explained that this is what God did for us each day and that it was important to start each day with a clean slate. Next, a prayer was read that asked the children to think about

the times when they had been slow to say sorry to others or not quick to forgive. The worship finished with the children all making the sign of peace.

### Mrs R Winnery

#### First Holy Communion

Congratulations to all our children in Year 3 who completed their First Holy Communion Programme with a wonderful celebration Mass on Saturday. The children were a credit to their parents, teachers and Catechists. They all looked fantastic and behaved impeccably during the Mass.



This programme has been a great success, thus making the First Holy Communion more meaningful to the children and adults involved. I would like to thank all the parents who helped to make the Sacramental Preparation so successful. May they always feel the love and presence of the Lord as they receive Him in Holy Communion every week.

The children all worked extremely hard throughout the programme. A special thank you to the Catechists who helped prepare the children so well for their First Holy Communion. I would also like to thank the School Choir for turning out in force and leading the singing so beautifully. They played a huge part in making the Mass a truly spiritual occasion. Great credit is due to all the children who helped throughout the school year by attending in great numbers to support Sacramental Preparations. I would also like to thank the Parish community who served refreshments for the First Holy Communion Mass to family and friends and who will be visiting school on Friday morning with a Communion Breakfast for the children.

The First Holy Communion children will be having a Class party to celebrate with their Year 3 friends this Friday morning.

### BBC Radio 4 Broadcast

Well done, to all those Choir children who made an extra special effort to be at Leeds Cathedral very early on Sunday morning to take part in a live broadcast for Radio 4. Thank you to Mrs Bolland for accompanying the children and to the parents for supporting us.

**Our Statement to Live By this week: I know how to show I am sorry**

## Attendance

**Attend Today  
Achieve Tomorrow**

**EVERY SCHOOL DAY  
COUNTS**
























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

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE TARGET	% LAST WEEK w/b 16/05/2016	% ATTENDANCE this year to date
Reception	97	99.11	95.11
Year 1	97	98.79	95.30
Year 2	97	97.85	95.95
Year 3	97	96.40	97.86
Year 4	97	97.93	94.59
Year 5	97	99.17	98.61
Year 6	97	95.04	97.18
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>97.44</b>	<b>96.22</b>
<b>NEW TARGET</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>97%</b>

**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!**

**Excellence in all we do. Outstanding every day.**

**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:	Miss Sheehan's Scallywags	   
Year 5:	Full Fathom Five	  
Year 6:	Pieces of Six	

**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.**

### **The Clean UP!**

The clean up operation is continuing and we are pleased to have the safe delivery of the portacabins which will be in operation on Wednesday for our KS2 children. The children have been wonderful in the way they have accepted the change and got on without any fuss. Staff have been true professionals and we are blessed to have such dedicated staff. A big thank you to all our parents who have passed on messages of support and for their patience.

### **Jubilee information**

Due to recent events we are postponing the Jubilee celebrations until the Autumn term. This will be combined with the reopening of our new KS2 block. Further details to follow in the New Academic Year.

### **Bradford Literacy Festival**

Yesterday we had a visit from Richard O'Neal, a Roma Storyteller and Author. He delighted the children with stories of his childhood and taught the children how their imagination could bring simple pieces of wood to life by making them into toys and characters for his story.

### **Poetry Week**

Tomorrow we will be visited by Liverpool Poet Mr Terry Caffery who will be holding Poetry Workshops with our children.

### **Poetry Recital**

This **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 9.15am** there will be a Poetry Recital in which each class will perform a poem as a group. Congratulations to Caoimhe Richards and Lilian Bingham who were prize winners in the Love Bradford Poetry Competition who will also recite their poems. Parents are invited to attend.

### **Bags 2 School**

Please remember to fill and return the Bags2School this **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 9am**. Please could you fill with men's, ladies' and children's clothing. Also paired shoes (tied together or with an elastic band around them), handbags, ties, belts, soft toys and jewellery would also be most welcome.

### **Fathers' Day Secret Room**

To be held after Half Term on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June 3 – 4pm** in Resources Room.

### **Swimming Helper**

We are still seeking a Swimming Helper. If you are able to spare a couple of hours each week then please contact the School Office. A DBS will be required but at no cost to the Helper.

## **REMINDER**

**This Friday is the last day of the term and we reopen on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016.**



Please visit the Friends Facebook page

<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.**