St Cuthbert & The First Martyrs' Catholic Primary School



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YOUR TUESDAY NEWS

Date: Tuesday 21st March 2017

Through the sign of the cross we follow Jesus

Our Lenten theme is 'Were you there?'



Dear Parents. Guardians and Parishioners

Have faith and wholeheartedly trust God who will never abandon those who Love Him"- **St Cuthbert.**



On Monday we celebrated St Cuthbert's Feast Day with Mass in school. St Cuthbert was born in Northumberland and lived more than 1300 years ago. For 53 years of his life he was a simple monk, an abbot of monasteries, a teacher, a missionary, for many year a recluse, and for a short time a Bishop. The humility, love and compassion that he shared with his community, along with the many centuries of devotion paid to him, mark him as one of the

most loving and the most loved of English saints.

In our Mass we thought about the ways we could be great for God and be like the saints. The children said we should try to be kind and gentle, to put others first, to feed the hungry and help the poor. Year 5 read the Prayers of the Faithful reminding us of the saints, who like St Cuthbert, loved God and did what God asked them to do. We ended our Mass with the hymn 'For all the Saints...' Thank you to Father Gregory for leading our school community in prayer on our special day.

God Bless

Miss S Burgess, Mr D Copley, Mrs S Walsh and Mrs Winnery

CAFOD's East Africa crisis appeal -Non Uniform Day 24th March

We will be holding a non uniform day this Friday 24th March to raise funds for CAFOD's East Africa crisis appeal. The United Nations is warning that the world faces the largest humanitarian crisis in more than 70 years. Severe drought, lack of food and civil war means that now over 16 million people across East Africa are facing starvation.

Please support our school collection for CAFOD's appeal by bringing £1 on Friday for non uniform day. Your donation will get food, clean water and healthcare to people in desperate need. Find out more at www.cafod.org.uk/eastafrica

Year 5 Class Worship

This week Year 5 will be having their Class Worship on **Thursday at 9.10am**. Everyone welcome.

Celebration Worship

This is held every Friday morning at 9.10am. Everyone is invited.

Our Statement to Live By this week: I know what humility means.

Lent 2017 - Reflection, Prayer and Charity Calendar Overview

Class	Event	Date	Time
Whole School	Non-Uniform Day for CAFOD	Fri 24 th March	All Day
Whole School	Mini Vinnies fundraising 'Walk for	Thurs 30 th March	
	the Good Shepherd'		
Yrs 3, 4 5 & 6	Benediction	Fri 31 st March	3pm
Year 1	Class Worship Palm Sunday	Thurs 6 th April	9.10am
Whole School	Mini Vinnies Fundraising 'Coin Cross'	Fri 7 th April	
Whole School led by Year 3	Lenten Liturgy 'The Last Supper'	Mon 10 th April	9am
Whole School led by Year 4	Lenten Liturgy 'Stations of the Cross'	Tues 11 th April	9am

First Martyrs' Church (Heights Lane) on Saturday 25th March 2017 From 11am-1pm

Free, fun, faith-based lunch and activity session run by local Christians at First Martyrs' Catholic Church. Children and parents/carers of any faith background or none are very welcome Stories, fun, music, lunch, games, crafts....

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:	Scurvy Landbubbers			
Year 2:	Broken Bones			
Year 3:	Plank Walkers			
Year 4:	Deadly Fours			
Year 5:	Miss Dobson's Daaarrrlins			
Year 6:	Shiver My Sixers			

Congratulations to:

Isha Latif, Michela & Sofia Fiorani, Alyssa Ferrer, Anthea Felisco, Mohammed Naqvi, Callum Elwood, Hanah Ibrahim and Alexander Amber who were awarded Class Merits for their outstanding achievements for last week.



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.

Attendance

Attend Today Achieve Tomorrow

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Can you reach our whole school target of 97%?

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE	% LAST WEEK	% ATTENDANCE
	TARGET	w/b 13/03/2017	this year to date
Reception	97	92.33	96.19
Year 1	97	95.17	94.31
Year 2	97	99.68	96.16
Year 3	97	95.48	95.30
Year 4	97	100	97.03
Year 5	97	94.67	96.10
Year 6	97	99.66	98.20
Whole School	97	96.71	96.18
NEW TARGET	97%	97%	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!

50th Jubilee Year - Monday 10th April 2017 2.30pm - 5.30pm

This year is the 50th Anniversary year of the laying of the foundation stone of St Cuthbert & The First Martyrs' Catholic Primary School on our present site. We would like to invite parents, past parents, past pupils and parishioners to join us for a special celebration. During the afternoon we will be holding a short 'Thanksgiving Service' at 4.00pm. You will have the opportunity to see the changes that have taken place, at the school, over the last 50 years. Refreshments will be available.

If anyone has any old photographs you would like to share please contact the office who will arrange for them to be photocopied and displayed on the day.

Skipton Music Festival

Our Year 6 Choir performed at the Skipton Music Festival last week. They gave a wonderful performance and were a great ambassador for our School. They sang in a three part harmony. They were runners up and gained a distinction. The judges commented "the rhythmetic energy and the excellent balance made this a really effective performance".



Mothers' Day Secrets' Room

The Secrets' Room will be available to the children, between **2.00pm** and **3.00pm**, as follows:



Tuesday 21st March Wednesday 22nd March Thursday 23rd March Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Last chance to buy!

Nursery children will have the opportunity to purchase gifts on **Wednesday and Thursday between 11.30am to 12 noon.**

Lots of lovely gifts to choose from starting from 50p to £2.00.

School Milk

time.

From next term the way you order milk for your child will change. You will need to order and pay for milk online through FP School Milk UK Ltd for children aged 5 and above. The process of ordering and paying for your child's milk is quick and easy. Milk for the under-fives is free until the beginning of the term in which the child turns five. You do not need to order milk for under 5's. Leaflets with full details will be given out nearer the

Dinner Money

Could we please remind parents that school dinner money has to be paid for the week the dinners are taken - £1.60 per day - £8.00 per week.

Home School Agreement

Could parents please take note of the following which is stated in the Home School Agreement:

I/we will make sure that my child is properly presented for school by ensuring

- my child has an appropriate hairstyle (NO shaved tramlines, colouring, undercuts or half shaved hairstyles)
- my child is not wearing make-up or jewellery to school (stud earrings are acceptable but should not be worn in school during the day they have PE lessons/swimming)

Events This Term

Class	Event	Date	Time
Whole School	Mothers' Day Secret Room	21 st -23 rd March	2-3.20pm
Year 5	Class Worship	24 th March	9.10am
Year 4	Trip to Murton Park	24 th March	All day
Year 1	Class Worship	Thurs 6 th April	9.10am
Rec & Yr 6 only	Class Photo	Thurs 6 th April	Afternoon

Healthy Packed Lunches

It was lovely to see so many parents last week at our Parents' Consultation Evenings. Thank you to those parents who took the time to complete the School Council's Healthy Packed Lunch Survey. Overwhelming the majority of parents replied that they did not require any advice on what makes up a healthy packed lunch but a few parents requested suggestions for new ideas and recipes.

There still remains some discussion around what types of food should not be allowed or discouraged if we are to work together to improve the health of our children. All agreed fizzy drinks and sweets were not a healthy addition to a lunchbox but parents were divided over chocolate and crisps and thought a small chocolate bar/biscuit was okay. The School Council will be looking at your suggestions on how to make lunchtimes healthier.

Only around one in a hundred packed lunches in England meet children's nutritional needs. A balanced diet is about eating lots of different foods to get the nutrients you need and it is hard to get that variety into lunchboxes. Each week this term we will provide you with a few simple suggestions so - bin the soggy sandwiches and get inspired with our healthy, speedy and scrumptious school packed lunch ideas.

Copy the leading branded lunchbox ideas but substitute in your own healthier versions Get mini-pots of cream cheese and do your own 'sticks' of veg or toast. You can even buy a cartoon-branded container to rival the supermarket marketing ploys.

Allow your kids to be creative.

"My daughter hates sandwiches with a passion so we do a combo of pitta breads/tortillas/mini crackers with slices of cheese/ham/cucumber/cherry toms/carrots. The combos are packed and she's left to put her lunch together herself."

Utilise leftovers

Chicken drumsticks with the skin removed and cold frittata, as well as cold rice or couscous, with bits of veggies mixed in are popular. Also home-made chicken nuggets, cold sausages or fish fingers and pasta pesto with peas.



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