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NEWSLETTER

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Clubs and Mass

P.E. Kits

Indoor P.E

White t-shirt

Black shorts

Black pumps

Outdoor P.E

White t-shirt

Black shorts

Outdoor trainers

Or

Dark tracksuit

Outdoor trainers

It is important that your child not only has school pumps for indoor PE but trainers for outdoor PE.

This is a change in policy. We can't allow children to do outdoor P.E in school pumps or shoes—it just isn't safe or practical.

Our advice is for the children to have a pair of trainers that they can keep with their PE kit throughout the year.

If you have any problems getting suitable footwear please do come and see me—we will be happy to help. I will keep this notice on the Newsletter for the next few weeks.

Good afternoon and welcome back—I hope you all had a lovely half term break. It was wonderful to welcome all the children back into school on Tuesday.

- A special well done to Year 2 who returned to school on Tuesday to go straight out again to visit
- Blakesley Hall for the morning, have their lunch there and then pop down to Stechford Swimming Baths for their first lesson of the year. Miss Johnson and Mrs Parkes were incredibly impressed with
- the maturity and behaviour. A great start year 2.

- Thank you to any children who brought their bikes in yesterday to have an 'MOT' by Dr. Bike, and well done to Amelia in Year 3 who ditched her stabilisers yesterday and can now cycle without them! Sister Maureen joined Mr O'Rourke and the school council to officially open the new Cycle Shelter—Mr O'Rourke was a very proud man!

- Finally thank you to Year 5 who led us all in Mass this morning, helping us to reflect on Remembrance Sunday which takes place this weekend. It was beautifully presented.

Mr Clarke (RIP)

- It is with great sadness that I have to tell you that Mr Clarke, partner of Miss Neason and father to Lauren Neason-Clarke died very suddenly last weekend. This has been a tremendous shock for the entire family and our prayers and thoughts are with Miss Neason (who works in Reception) and Lauren (Year 6).

Ryleigh's mum from Year 6 would like to organise a collection for Miss Neason and Lauren, if you wish to donate then please see Miss Hunt (Ryleigh's mum).

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen

Be Safe, Be Seen

With the changing of the clocks and the darker nights and mornings we like to take a little time to discuss road safety with the children at this time of year.

We are inviting all the children to come to school next Thursday dressed as brightly as they can—anything goes in terms of bright colours. The children should bring their uniform in with them as we will only be discussing the importance of being seen on these dark mornings and dark nights.

We did something similar last year and I was most impressed with the neon fashion show that came into school.

Sacramental Meeting

We are holding a Sacramental Induction Meeting for all the children and parents of Year 3 and Year 6 who will be making the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation this year. Sister Maureen will be joining us to lead us through a short prayer service as we consider with the children the journey they are going to make this year.

If your child is receiving one of these sacraments this year please make every effort to attend the meeting on **Wednesday 11th November at 6:30pm.**

School Photographs

We are hoping to arrange for individual and family photographs to be taken in early December—this may mean that photographs aren't ready for Christmas but we have been unable to organise a date before December— I am sorry about this.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Georgia in Reception who won our attendance award last week for a full weeks attendance. Well done Georgia!

ATTENDANCE SINCE SEPTEMBER

96.72%

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

95.93%

WINNING CLASS

Year 6

98.3%

Remembrance Sunday

On yonder hill, the poppies
sway

In chilled, yet friendly wind
today

Their petals drift like young
men's lives

Taken far from root, to fall
'neath skies

Their petals grew, fell, fade
away

As if they have a line to say
To teach us all that glory
brief

to often ends in soldier's
grief

On yonder field, furrows
score the ground

That once so clamoured,
emits no sound

Each bay a story long could
tell,

Of laughter sapped in
youth's own hell

Of dreams unrealised, fu-
tures strewn,

Of pipes and drums last defi-
ant tune,

Of ordered slaughter, new
hopes lost

To lie there, yonder, under
wooden cross.

Mrs Laidlaw's Garden

As you know, Mrs Sutherland will be organising a school project to convert the courtyard into a garden as a retirement gift to Mrs Laidlaw. There will be a meeting on Friday 13th November after school with Mrs Sutherland and any volunteers who wish to be involved.

The meeting was initially planned for this Friday 6th November but has had to be moved. If you are interested in helping in any way then please either let Mrs Sutherland know by phoning her on 07947393410 or by coming to the meeting.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 10th November—Swimming Year 2 and Year 6

Wednesday 11th November—Sacramental Meeting for Year 3 and Year 6 children and
Parents. 6:30pm in the School Hall

Friday 13th November—Year 4 Mass

CHRISTMAS PLAY DATES

I know you like to have plenty of advance notice of Christmas Play dates and as I heard the first carol being practised this week I thought it was time to let you know.

Year 2 Christmas Play—2:15pm Tuesday 8th December

Nursery (pm) - 2:00pm Wednesday 9th December

Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Plays—7:00pm Wednesday 9th December

Nursery (am) - 10:30am—Thursday 10th December

Reception/Year 1 Christmas Play—2:15pm Thursday 10th December

Year 5 and 6 Carol Service—7:00pm Monday 14th December at Corpus Christi Church

Year 6 Inspire has been postponed until Thursday 11th February—previous date was Thursday 26th November

After School Clubs

Monday

Dance Year 1 and 2

Football Year 5 and 6

Tuesday

Netball Year 5 and 6

Gym Year 1 and 2

Fizz Bang Year 5 and 6

Wednesday

Football Year 3 and 4

Basketball

Brass Band Year 5 and 6

Thursday

Gym Year 3

Maths Booster Year 6

As some of you will have seen we have an amazing new entrance display—the staff, children and governors all spent time considering what they wanted included on the display and we are extremely pleased with the outcome. If you haven't seen it, pop along to the main reception offices and have a look. It's fantastic—even though I do say that myself! I have also put some pictures on our school website under the School Tour section.

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Have a lovely weekend

Yours Sincerely

School Mass—1st Sunday of Advent

Please join Year 3 and Year 6 for our
School Mass at Corpus Christi Church on
Sunday 29th November at 10:30am.

A lovely way to start the season of Ad-
vent and the preparation for Christmas.

Open Morning

*We are holding an Open Morning for any
parents of children who will be Reception
in September 2016 and are thinking of
putting St Cuthbert's down on their appli-
cation form.*

Thursday 12th November at 9:30am

Mrs S Hobbs and all the staff of St Cuthbert's School