



# St. CUTHBERT'S Catholic Primary School (NC)



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Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Dear Parents,

A very good afternoon to you all; I hope that this final week of November has been kind to you all. Many thanks to all the Nursery and Reception parents who attended reading meetings yesterday, it was great to see you all and I hope you found all the information helpful - my thanks to Mrs Graty, Mrs Mehew and Mrs Hodson for preparing and presenting the meetings.

Good luck to our 7 a side football team who are currently playing in a competition at Blessed John Henry Newman Secondary School - I am sure with Mr Wilson and Mr O'Rourke there to support them all will be well.

This week also saw many governors coming into school, on Wednesday evening the governors had training on Safeguarding and Mr McCabe our Chair of Governors came in to visit all the children this morning - they asked him some very interesting questions! We also continued to hold our 'Promoting Happy Parenting' group on Thursday mornings which I hear has been greatly enjoyed by those who have attended and there are plans to continue to run parent support groups throughout the year. We will give information out before Christmas on the next group that will start in January.

Swimming, clubs and assemblies continued as normal and Year 6 presented a lovely Mass this morning.

As of Monday St Cuthbert's begins to get into the spirit of the festive season - our decorations should be up, classes will start rehearsing their Christmas Plays and the art orders of glitter and sparkle will have been delivered. Please be aware that over the next few weeks various clubs will be coming to an end and additional events will be taking place in school.

**Netball** has now FINISHED until the Spring.

**Basketball** has now FINISHED for the term and will resume on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January

**Brass Band FINISHES on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November** until Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January. Parents are invited to come and watch their children's presentation from 4pm on Wednesday,

**Dance FINISHES on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December** with a performance for parents at 4:00pm

**Fizz Bang FINISHES on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

**Maths Booster** continues for Year 6 until **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

**Football and Gym** will have their final sessions in the week of the 5<sup>th</sup> December

**Swimming** for Year 2 and Year 6 finishes on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

**Brass** finishes for Year 4, 5 and 6 on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December with a Brass Concert for parents at





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2:15pm that day.

## Attendance

Many congratulations to Year 1 who won the attendance for last week - this is their first win of the year and Miss Flynn and Mrs Layton are delighted! Congratulations to Finley in Year 1 who also won the individual attendance award this week - a great week for Year 1

Overall since September: **96.27%**

Weekly: **96.78%**

Winning Class - **Year 1 with 98.3%**

Please remember to phone in on the first day of your child's absence and please ensure we have up to date phone numbers for you.

## Reception Class Applications

This is a reminder to all parents who have children due to start in Reception in September 2017, applications need to be submitted to the Local Authority by Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December. If you have any problems and would like assistance then please come in to see the ladies in the office and they will be happy to help you.

## Christmas Nativity at Corpus Christi Church

Ms Reilly has asked me to mention that rehearsals for the children's Christmas Eve Mass at Corpus Christi begin tomorrow at 12:00 at the Church. This is always a lovely event and Ms Reilly would like as many children as possible to be hosts of angels and flocks of shepherds, narrators and wise men!

## A message from the kitchen

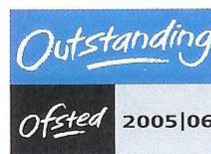
We are doing a pre-Christmas buffet on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November, but do not worry our burger day will be on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December as we don't want to disappoint our burger fans! The menu for Tuesday is attached to the letter.

## The Sea Life Centre

We have been sent through vouchers from the Sea Life Centre for the Christmas Season - using the voucher code on the back you can book tickets and save money - entry price at the moment includes meeting Santa and who doesn't want to do that! Vouchers are attached to the back of the newsletter.

## Website

We continue to work on our school website to make it as useful and accessible to you as possible. We have just had a search bar added, so instead of trying to navigate around the site if you type in a key word in





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the search bar then hopefully you will find the information you need. We do try to keep all key dates on the front page of the website so please do check on the site if you are unsure of the date of something.

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## Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Swimming Year 2 and year 6

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December - Year 5 Trip

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December - Mass 9:15am

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Swimming Year 2 and Year 6

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Year 3 and Year 4 Theatre Trip (pm)

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December - Gift Night

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Year 3 Mass 9:15am

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Fundraising - Christmas Jumper Day (more in next week's newsletter)

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December - Year 2 Christmas Play - 2:15pm

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Play 7:00pm

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Rec/Year 1 Christmas Play - 2:15pm

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Performance Corpus Christi Church 7:00pm

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Mass 9:15am

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Nursery Nativity afternoon children at 2:00pm

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Dinner and Party Day Reception to Year 6

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December - Nursery Nativity morning children at 10:30am

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December - Final day for afternoon Nursery children - Christmas Party for them.

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December - School Finishes for Christmas at 2:00pm and Nursery morning children Christmas Party.

If your child is on sandwiches and wishes to have Christmas dinner on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December please let the office know, the cost of the dinner is £2.15.

School and Nursery opens on : Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January for all pupils

## **Robby Lebita**

As you will all be aware Annabeth's brother Robby passed away very suddenly in February. On Monday this week his music teacher, Simon, came to school and donated a keyboard, a keyboard stand and music books to the school in Robby's memory. We will think of a way that we can make sure that this keyboard is used to encourage children to learn to play the piano and keep Robby's memory alive with us always.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Hobbs  
(Headteacher)

