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Good afternoon everyone! I cannot tell you how good it is to be back and how much I am enjoying being with the staff, children and community of St Cuthbert's. We now have all our new starters in school; 30 Reception children and 42 Nursery children, they have settled in incredibly well and we are really pleased with this all. We have been busy over the past few weeks electing House Captains, vice-captains and councillors; we have new librarians and monitors around school and all children are already working hard in class!

Thank you to all parents who attended the class meetings at the beginning of term, we hope you found them useful. If you were not able to attend please let your child's class teacher know and they can give you the paperwork that was given out at the meetings.

Reception

In my first newsletter of the year I welcomed 20 of our Reception children they have now been joined by; Nicole, Safwwan, Morgan, Thomas, Ollie, Hassaan, Ibrahim, Husnain, Aizah and Eesa. Mrs Hodson and Mrs Boyle are delighted with them all—and we love having a full Reception class.

House Captains and Vice Captains

Many congratulations to the Year 6 children who were voted as Captains or Vice Captains by the children of the school.

Canterbury: Megan and Oscar (House Captains) Junayd and Pharen (Vice Captains)

Winchester: Summer and Zainab (House Captains) Shania-Rae and Jake (Vice Captains)

York: Laura-Mae and Corey (House Captains) Emmet and Karl (Vice Captains)

Durham: Mia and Liam (House Captains) Keeley and Callum G (Vice Captains)

School Council

Through a democratic process of elections; the children of St Cuthbert's School have elected the new members of the School Council they are:

Tommy and Tilly Lou (Year 1), Matthew and Nuala (Year 2), Angelo and Lois (Year 3), Kieran and Morgan (Year 4), Owen and Ruby (Year 5) and Hannah and Pharen (Year 6)

Mrs Hoyle and Miss Debono will be leading the school council this year and I know they and the councillors are brimming with ideas. I can't wait (there is still no money to build a swimming pool!)

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you so much for your support and generous donations to our Macmillan Coffee Morning; it was lovely to spend time with those of you who could make it. We raised a wonderful amount of **£211.93**.

Corpus Christi Church—Altar Servers

As members of the Corpus Christi Parish, some of our Catholic families attend Mass at the weekend. A number of our children are altar servers at the church. A group of parents are raising money to buy new altar server robes. Mr Taggart (Ruby's dad) will be selling cakes to parents after Mass on Friday 6th October (all baked by his fair hand) to raise money for this venture.

*God grant me the
serenity
To accept the things
I cannot change;
Courage to change
the things I can;
And wisdom to know
the difference.*



Weekly Attendance for
St Cuthbert's:

97.56%

Class Weekly Attendance

Year 1—98.6%

Year 2— 96.6%

Year 3—96.6%

Year 4—95.6%

Year 5—99.3%

Year 6—96.6%

Many Congratulations to Emmet in Year 6 and Connie in Year 5 who received the attendance award over the last two weeks.

It looks as if of the Year 5 might be the class to beat this year as they have won the weekly attendance for the past two weeks! Well done Year 5.

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 3rd October: Swimming Year 5 and 6

Wednesday 4th October: Brass Year 4, 5 and 6

Thursday 5th October: Year 6 Inspire

Friday 6th October: Year 3 Mass

Tuesday 10th October: Swimming Year 5 and 6

Wednesday 12th October: Brass Year 4,5 and 6

Wednesday 12th October: Reception Welcome Meeting

Thursday 12th October: Year 3 Assembly

Friday 13th October: Harvest Mass Year 2

Tuesday 17th October: Swimming Year 5 and 6

Wednesday 18th October: Brass Year 4,5 and 6

Wednesday 18th October: Sacramental Meeting Year 3 and Year 6 6:30pm

New Medicine Policy

At the beginning of the year we review many of our policies and at present we are looking at a new medicine policy.

There are of course children who attend our school with on going, long term medical conditions and we at St Cuthbert's are happy to support children in any way we can. We ensure that we have training from the school nurse and that appropriate care plans are put into place; we understand that some children will need medication everyday and this is not an issue.

Most of the time your child/children are fit and well but on occasions they may be poorly and need medication. Our new policy states that we will only administer prescribed medication from a doctor. For example if you want your child to have calpol in the day because they are under the weather we will not administer that unless it has been prescribed by the doctor.

If you have prescribed medication that you wish us to administer you must go to the school office and fill out a form and leave the medicine with the office staff. The medication must have the prescription label attached to it. Many thanks for your understanding in this matter

Diagnosed allergies

We always need to keep our medical records up to date; if your child has a diagnosed condition i.e. an allergy, asthma etc could you please inform the class teacher or the office so that we can update our medical records in school.

Harvest

We will be celebrating our Harvest Mass on Friday 13th October during that week from Monday 9th to Friday 13th we will be collecting food to donate to the local food-banks.

Breakfast cereals, Soup, Pasta, Rice, Pasta sauce, Tinned beans, Tinned meat, Tinned vegetables, Tinned fruit, Tea or coffee, Biscuits, Snacks, Long life milk and Long life juice

If you are able to donate any of the above items, 1 tin or 1 box of cereal it all makes a difference.

Year 2 will be presenting our Harvest Mass on Friday 13th October and you are all very welcome to join us.

Corpus Christi Church—School Mass

We will presenting Mass at Corpus Christi Church on Sunday 26th November at 10:30am. This is youth Sunday and also the time of the parish visitation by the Bishop. Please make a note of this date in your diary as it is always wonderful to share a celebration of Mass in the parish with our wonderful children. It is also the time when Year 3 and Year 6 children who will receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion or Confirmation this year are presented to the Parish.

Father Andrew would also like me to remind all families that they are more than welcome to join the Parish for Mass on a Sunday morning and that there is a Children's Liturgy Group that work with your children for part of Mass to understand the readings of the day.

If you are interested in the Catholic faith but are not Catholic then Sister Maureen is always available to answer any of your questions.

I wish all a very happy weekend and look forward to another calm, happy week with all of your lovely children.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Hobbs and all the staff