

St. CUTHBERT'S Catholic Primary School (NC)



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Dear Parents,

I hope that you had a lovely Bank Holiday weekend; hopefully very soon we will be able to meet up with our family and friends indoors and life will feel a little bit normal again.

I am writing to you today to invite you to join some meetings that we are putting on in school. As of September 2021 it is compulsory for all schools, both primary and secondary to teach Relationship and Health Education.

Please do not panic; do not think that we will be teaching anything that is not age appropriate and please don't assume that our programme will be at all controversial. I think people read the title of Relationship and Health Education and focus just on one element of this programme (the body, puberty etc) and think that is all the programme is teaching is about. It is not.

We will be following the Birmingham Diocesan Education scheme created by ten:ten called Life to the full. As a Catholic Primary School we are required to follow this scheme, alongside all other Catholic schools in the Birmingham Diocese.

We will be holding a number of remote meetings for you to introduce you to the scheme of work and allow you opportunities to ask any questions you may have.

We start by holding an initial presentation; this session will not be a question and answer session but rather an information session for you. We are going to hold the session twice to allow as many parents as possible to join us.

Monday 10th May - 11:00am and 5:00pm - for any parents. These presentations will be between 30 and 45 minutes

We will then follow these up with individual meetings for different key stages; in these meetings you can ask any questions you many have. These meetings will be no longer than 45 minutes.

Monday 17th May at 11:00am - EYFS (Nursery and Reception)











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Tuesday 18th May at 11:00am - KS1 (Year 1 and Year 2)

Thursday 20th May at 11:00am - LKS2 (Year 3 and Year 4)

Friday 21st May at 11:00am - UKS2 (Year 5 and Year 6)

We will put a link on our website to allow you to join the meetings. There is also a website connected with the scheme of work we will be using that you can look at any time.

In this programme of teaching we will be ensuring that your child knows they are special, that they are unique and that they are loved. As a Catholic school we believe every life and every family are special and that we hold love for others whatever their faith, creed, colour or need.

I know in the past there have been schemes of learning that have caused tensions, upset and anger in some school communities. Rest assured that through good communication and a clear understanding of what we will be teaching I am sure you will feel this scheme of work is very good.

Children are growing up in a world in which they can be exposed to incorrect facts or distorted facts from a young age. Schools and parents need to work together to help children navigate the on line and visual world, understanding what is safe and loving and what isn't.

If you do have any immediate concerns then please just have a chat with me on the gate or phone the school office.

With grateful thanks for your ongoing support

S'M'HALL Mrs Hobbs







