



St. CUTHBERT'S Catholic Primary School (NC)



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Good afternoon to you,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and not too blown about by the high winds! Thank you all for being so supportive last week when we had our emergency situation. I honestly couldn't believe it, it was not related to the problems we have had with our heating and was in a completely separate area of the school. However it has all been repaired, alongside the heating, so apart from a very large bill coming our way - all is back to normal.

This half term

As I mentioned in the previous newsletter this half term has been most challenging for a number of reasons and I would like to personally thank all the staff who have had to deal with an immense amount of pressure, from workmen digging up corridors outside their classrooms, to covering for staff because of covid to supporting your children in the process of getting back to 'normal.' My thanks in particular to Mr Whitmore who has had to be on call at the weekend and throughout the school day as we have dealt with our building issues.

I would like to take this time to remind parents that we pride ourselves on being an open and supportive school. We have an open door policy and see parents who request meetings etc as soon as we can. If we can help we will. We are working with Hodge Hill Early Help Team and will hopefully have more information on our website about support that can be offered in Birmingham with families.

We have also started re-opening school fully since Covid began - we had our first whole school assembly this morning, altogether - what a wonderful feeling. Children are playing together on playgrounds again and sitting next to different classes at lunchtime. With this in mind I am confident that we will be able to have a face to face parents consultation next half term; we will also look at school trips and starting after school clubs (although this may take a bit of organising).

I feel it was right to keep all the restrictions in place up until this point but now is the right time to be moving on.

School Times

A reminder that when we return school will be finishing at 3:15pm each day.





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Swimming

Year 3 and Year 5 will continue swimming after half term on their allocated days.

World Book Day

On Thursday 3rd March we will celebrate World Book Day - all children can dress up as a character from a book to celebrate the love of reading.

Lent and fundraising

We will soon be entering the season of Lent a time in the Catholic Church where we try to think of others as we prepare for Easter. Traditionally we have held Lenten Activities on a Friday afternoon - we are going to be starting this again this year after a two year break. Don't worry I will tell you more about it in the first week back.

Needless to say your children will love it!

After School Provision

I have been asked by a number of parents about after school provision for working parents. It is not something that we provide but if enough families are interested I will look at working with someone to organise independent provision. This means the school building would be used but we wouldn't be responsible for the children, the people/company running the provision would be.

If you are interested could you please fill in the slip below, please be aware that this will come with a charge.

Have a lovely half term!

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Hobbs

I am interested in after school provision

Child/Children: _____

Year Group: _____

Parents Signature: _____

