



# St. Cuthbert's R.C. Primary School

## FOUNDATION STAGE

### SUMMER TERM 2024 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer,

#### **THEMES FOR THIS TERM: BY THE SEA**

We would love it if you could visit the beach and bring in some shells. We would also love to see photographs of you at one of our local beaches or marina area. In our classroom we are going to create a display using these photos.

#### **LITERACY**

- **READING** - This half term we will be reading a variety of books with a seaside theme. Children often like to listen to the same story many times, so do not be surprised if they want you to read the same book repeatedly. We will be using puppets to retell stories using storybook language. You could encourage your child to make some at home too, which they can then use to retell familiar stories.
- **READING BOOKS** - We will continue to send home a reading book with your child which is best suited to their current reading ability. Please take time to read with your child, every night if possible. You could read seaside themed stories and relevant non-fiction books.
- **PHONICS/WRITING** - Your child will continue to have daily phonics lessons and will progress through the SoundsWrite programme. At present children are working on writing words which consist of two letter spellings, such as 'sh', 'th' and 'ck'. You could help your child at home by encouraging them to apply their phonic knowledge by writing out shopping lists, cards or maybe writing their news from school.

#### **MATHS**

- Children will continue to count up to and beyond 20. This will include writing and ordering numbers. Many children write teen numbers the wrong way round therefore your support in assisting your child to practise this at home would be appreciated. Children will continue to work on mentally working out one more and one less than a given number. This is a simple activity which you can do at home with your child.
- We will be continuing to complete addition and subtraction problems. This will also include using a number line.
- We will continue to practise number bonds to ten. Children need to know how many more they need to make ten when given a number. Using a ten frame at home will help your child with this skill.

#### **GENERAL**

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle into school each week and that all their clothing is labelled. As the weather warms up children are encouraged to come to school wearing sunscreen, there are many once a day creams available, and also bring in a sun hat to wear whilst they are outside.

#### **RE**

- This term we will be learning about: Good News. They will be sharing their individual good news with their peers during news time. We will be looking at stories about the time after Jesus' resurrection.

Thank you for your ongoing support, EYFS team.