



## February Newsletter 2024

### Stay and Pray

(Including refreshments afterwards in the hall)



Please see dates below of our Spring Term 'Stay and Pray' sessions. This is an opportunity to gather together as a year group family and pray together through quiet reflection, singing and dancing.

**All are welcome to attend at 9:10am.  
Refreshments are available afterwards.**

Y1 - Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024  
Y2 - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Y4 - Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Y5 - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024  
Y3 - Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024  
Reception - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024

### Weekly Mass at St Cuthbert's Church

Parents are welcomed to join their children at weekly mass at 9:30am at St Cuthbert's Church.

Year 4 - Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Year 5 - Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Year 6 - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024



### Parent Safeguarding Update



Each month, we are going to be sharing a useful link to **safeguarding updates** for parents in order to support you with keeping your children safe at home and in the community. Please scan the QR code below to access November's support for parents. The focus of this month's support is **Social Media**.



<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/>

If you have concerns and wish to speak to a Safeguarding Lead in school, our Safeguarding Leads are Mrs Parnell, Mrs Knight, Mrs Hall.

## PE Timetable

Monday	Year 1 and Year 5
Tuesday	Year 2, Year 3 and Year 6
Wednesday	Year 1, Year 4 and Year 5
Thursday	Year 3 and Year 6
Friday	Reception, Year 2 and Year 4

### PE KIT REMINDER

Children can come to school on PE days in their PE kit. This is a plain white t-shirt and black shorts. In colder weather, children can wear plain black tracksuit bottoms and a black hoodie/zip up top. **These items must be plain and not have logos or stripes.** If children do not have plain kit, they are welcome to come to school in their normal school uniform and bring a PE kit consisting of black shorts, a white t-shirt and suitable footwear.



We are continuing to use the 'mychildatschool' app as our new online payment system at school. The system will enable you to view balances and make payments for trips and events, school meals and breakfast club without the need to send cash into school. Please contact the school office if you have not yet received your email for login details.

## School/Home Communication

We send most of our communications through the **Marvellous Me App**. This is a useful source of information. Please contact the office if you need a copy of your activation code. We also share lots of news on our school **Facebook page**. Please follow us.



## Year 4 Swimming

We have received **new dates** from SPLASH for our **Year 4 swimming**.

WB Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024

WB Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024



## Holy Communion Meetings - 6.00pm - 7.00pm

Meetings will take place at St Cuthbert's Church for parents and children in preparation for First Holy Communion.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting - Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024
- First Confession - Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting - Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting - Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024
- 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting - Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024
- 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024
- Rehearsal - Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024

**First Holy Communion Mass - Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at 11.00am**

\*We have had a couple of Holy Communion dresses kindly donated to school. Please contact Mrs Knight if you would like to borrow a dress for your child.





## Enrichment Clubs



Monday	Y3/4 Sports Club	Time: 3:10pm - 4:00pm	Staff: Miss Saunders
Monday	Y6 Booster Club *Invitation	Time: 3:10pm - 4:00pm.	Staff: Mrs Hall, Miss Shaw, Mrs Vincent-Ellam
Tuesday	Musical Theatre	Time: 3:10pm - 4:30pm	Staff: Miss Conlon & Miss Saunders
Wednesday	Y5/6 Sports Leaders	Time: 3:10pm - 4:30pm	Staff: Miss Saunders
Thursday	KS2 Choir	Time: 3:15pm - 4:00pm	Staff: Mrs Best
Thursday	Times Table Club	Time: 3:15pm - 4:00pm	Staff: Miss Cook

Invitations for new clubs will be sent home at the beginning of the half term. Start dates will be on the invitation. Some clubs, such as Year 6 Booster, will be delivered in rotational blocks and not all children will receive the invitation at the same time.

## Are you ready for the Big Lent Walk?



Our Year 6 Faith in Action Group are challenging themselves to walk 200km over 40 days in Lent to raise money for CAFOD and SCIAF. This money will help to fight global poverty. They would love you to join them!

Sponsor forms will be sent home with your child. We will complete a 'Big Walk' in school during Holy Week as part of the challenge but invite you to join in as a family throughout Lent.

## St Cuthbert's Food & Uniform Bank



This is a reminder that we have a well-stocked food and uniform bank in school. This can be accessed by anyone in need within our school community. If you require details of how to access this service, please telephone school and ask to speak to Mrs Knight or pop into our school office.

## Important Diary Dates

More information for each event will be sent closer to the time.

Date	Event
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2024	School Council Tree Planting Project
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Safer Internet Day
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 - Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Year 5 Emmaus Youth Village Retreat
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	World Book Day  *Children may come to school in costume or wearing their comfortable reading clothes.
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2024  *Entries to be in school for Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Global Recycling Day Art Competition
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 & Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	St Cuthbert's Day - Non-uniform Day  Shine Concert
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2024	World Maths Day
Week Beginning Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Passion  (Day/time to be confirmed)
Week Beginning Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Swimming
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 River of Hope Trip to Croft on Tees
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Paste Easter Egg Competition
Week Beginning Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Year 4 Swimming

## School Calendar 2023 - 2024

ST CUTHBERT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY LIST FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2023/2024		
School re-opens	Tuesday	5 <sup>th</sup> September
Closes	Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Half Term</b>		
Re-opens	Monday	30 <sup>th</sup> October
Closes	Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup> December
<b>Christmas</b>		
Re-opens	Monday	8 <sup>th</sup> January
Closes	Friday	9 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>Half Term</b>		
Re-opens	Monday	19 <sup>th</sup> February
Closes	Thursday	28 <sup>th</sup> March
<b>Easter</b>		
Re-opens	Monday	15 <sup>th</sup> April
Closes	Friday	24 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Half Term</b>		
Re-opens	Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Closes	Friday	19 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>Summer Break</b>		

**PD Days**     4<sup>th</sup> September  
                     20<sup>th</sup> October

