



November Newsletter 2023

Stay and Pray

(Including refreshments afterwards in the hall)



Please see dates below of our 'Stay and Pray' sessions for the remainder of this term. 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.

Y6 - Tuesday 28th November 2023
Y4 - Tuesday 5th December 2023

Weekly Mass at St Cuthbert's Church

We are happy to announce that Canon Cooper has recovered well from his surgery and weekly mass can now recommence. Please see below the remaining masses for this term.

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

Year 4 - Tuesday 28th November 2023

Year 5 - Tuesday 28th November 2023
Tuesday 5th December 2023

Year 6 - Tuesday 5th December 2023

KS2 Christmas Carol Service & Year 3 Tableaux -
Tuesday 12th December at 2pm.



Parent Safeguarding November 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 **Online Safety**.



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

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

PE Timetable

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

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 now using 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.



Kirkleatham Owls



Our Year 2 children are looking forward to a visit from Kirkleatham Owls on Tuesday 6th December! Please look out for photographs and an update on our school Facebook page!

CAUSE Christmas Hamper Campaign



School Council have now allocated each class a family to support this Christmas for the CAUSE Campaign. This campaign helps us to live out the Catholic Social Principle 'Option for the Poor'. We want to support families in need this Christmas in Teesside. We are asking for donations of either unwrapped gifts or food items that we can give to the family. Gifts must be new and food items must be in date. Please see the information below to see which family your child's class will be supporting. This is a project which is always well supported here at St Cuthbert's. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

Nursery & Reception

Dad, boy (age 2), girl (age 2) and girl (age 8)

Year 1 & 2

Mum, boy (age 5), girl (age 9), girl (age 12) and girl (age 14)

Year 3 & 4

Mum, Dad, girl (age 5) and boy (age 7)

Year 5 & 6

Mum, boy (age 1), boy (age 6) and boy (age 12)



Enrichment Clubs



Monday	Y3/4 Sports Club	Time: 3:10pm - 4:00pm	Staff: Miss Saunders
Monday	Y5/6 Book Club	Time: 3:10pm - 4:00pm.	Staff: Mrs Vincent-Ellam
Monday	Y2/3/4 Recorder Club	Time: 3:10pm - 4:00pm.	Staff: Mrs Bailey
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	Year 6 Booster *Children TBC	Time: 3:15pm - 4:00pm	Staff: Mrs Hall & Miss Shaw

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.

Important Information

At this time of year, children will need to be collected from clubs by an adult listed on their pick-up list due to the dark nights setting in. Clubs end at different times, so please check the correct time for your child's club.

KS2 Choir

Our KS2 Choir will be performing at the following events this Christmas:

Mayor's Carol Service

Thursday 7th December
9:30am - 12:30pm

Snappy Christmas

Friday 15th December
All Day



A huge thank you from our School Council and Mini Vinnies

With your generosity, we have raised money this term for several charities. This will go a long way towards supporting those in need.

Macmillan Coffee Morning - £364.65
British Legion Poppy Appeal - TBC by British Legion
Harvest Foodbank Collection - 104.9kg
CAFOD Harvest 'Brighten Up' Appeal - £340.65
Children in Need - £72.20



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 Christmas Diary Dates



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

Date	Event
Tuesday 5 th December 2023	Year 2, Year 3 & Year 4 Well Done, Mummy Penguin Performance at the ARC (10:30am)
Tuesday 12 th December 2023	KS2 Carol Service & Y3 Tableaux (2:00pm in church)
Wednesday 13 th December 2023	EYFS Carols Around the Tree (9:15am)
Wednesday 13 th December 2023	Christmas Movie Night Y1 - Y6 (3:00pm - 4:30pm)
Thursday 14 th December 2023	Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 15 th December 2023	Year 1 & Year 2 Party Day
Tuesday 19 th December 2023	Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity (2:15pm-3:00pm)
Tuesday 19 th December 2023	Year 5 & Year 6 Miracle of 34 th Street Performance at Stockton Riverside College (1:30pm)
Wednesday 20 th December 2023	EYFS Christmas Party Day
Wednesday 20 th December 2023	Year 3 & Year 4 Christmas Party Day
Thursday 21 st December 2023	Year 5 & Year 6 Christmas Party Day
Thursday 21 st December 2023	School breaks up for Christmas
Monday 8 th January 2024	School reopens for Spring Term



Christmas Movie Night

Wednesday 13th December (3:00pm - 4:30pm)

Information will be sent home the week beginning 4th December for our Christmas Movie Night. This will include information about arrangements for the night and how to purchase tickets.

School Calendar 2023 - 2024

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

PD Days 4th September
 20th October