



October Newsletter 2023

Stay and Pray

(Including refreshments afterwards in the hall)



Please see dates below of our 'Stay and Pray' sessions which will commence after half 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.

- Y1 - Tuesday 31st October 2023
- Y3 - Tuesday 7th November 2023
- Y2 - Tuesday 14th November 2023
- Y5 - Tuesday 21st November 2023
- Y6 - Tuesday 28th November 2023
- Y4 - Tuesday 5th December 2023

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.

Weekly Mass at St Cuthbert's Church

***Weekly mass is postponed due to Canon Cooper recuperating from surgery. We keep Canon Cooper in our prayers and wish him a speedy recovery. We will update once mass recommences.**

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

Year 3 - Tuesday 26th September 2023
Tuesday 17th October 2023
Tuesday 21st November 2023

Year 4 - Tuesday 12th September 2023
Tuesday 31st October 2023
Tuesday 28th November 2023

Year 5 - Tuesday 3rd October 2023
Tuesday 7th November 2023
Tuesday 5th December 2023

Year 6 - Tuesday 26th September 2023
Tuesday 10th October 2023
Tuesday 14th November 2023



Parents Evening

Parents Evening will take place on **Monday 13th November 2023** and **Wednesday 15th November 2023**. This will be an opportunity to meet your child's teacher, find out how they have settled into their new year group and how they are progressing in the curriculum. Appointment letters will come home with your child after half term.



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.

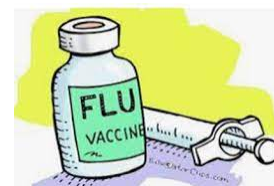
School/Home Communication

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.



Flu Vaccinations

Flu vaccinations will take place on **Tuesday 14th November**.



CAUSE Christmas Hamper Campaign



Mini Vinnies will once again be taking a lead this Christmas in supporting Teesside families in need. They will share information of the families we have been allocated as a school after half term so that classes can begin donating items for the hampers. This is a project which is always well supported. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

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.





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

After half term, 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

Please look out for letters for our KS2 choir sessions which take place on a Thursday evening (commencing Thursday 2nd November 2023). If you sign up for choir, please be aware that attendance is important as they will be preparing for the Mayor's Carol Service and a Christmas concert in school in December.



Remembrance Service

Year 6 will lead us in a special Remembrance Service on Monday 13th November 2023.

Parents of Year 6 children are invited to join us for this service at 2:30pm.

A group of pupils will also represent school at a special service held at the Cenotaph. More information for pupils involved will be sent home nearer to the date.



Poppy Sales in support of the British Legion

School Council will be selling poppies and other memorabilia in support of the British Legion from Wednesday 1st November 2023 until Friday 10th November 2023. More information to follow.



Important Christmas Diary Dates



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

Date	Event
WB 11 th December 2023	KS2 Carol Service & Y3 Tableaux (Date/Time TBC)
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 (Time TBC)
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

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