13/10/2020



Headteacher's news

As we come to the end of our first half term, I am so proud of the hard work and progress of our children in all areas of the curriculum. Staff have worked tirelessly to support, stretch and challenge children's learning and provide fun and engaging learning opportunities through theme days and daily lessons.

It has also been a joy to see how children have been inspired by the learning in class and have continued their learning at home through producing pieces of writing, poems, models, art pieces and much more! I would like to thank all of you for supporting the children at home with reading, spelling and maths practise as well as any additional projects that are undertaken. Please continue to share these with us in school.

As always, please take a look at Twitter for some fantastic images of the work the children are doing. Twitter! @StCuthbertsCEP1

Finally, I would like to wish you all a happy and healthy half term break. I am looking forward to seeing you all on **Monday 26th October** for the start of the new half term and what I hope will bring even more celebration of our children's learning and achievements.

Mrs J Hawkins

Diary Dates

12th-16th October Active Travel-Cycle to school week

Wednesday 14th October Year 5- Victorian day

Thursday 15th October
Year 6 Bronze/Iron Age theme
day

EYFS- Bedtime story day ...dress in pyjamas

19th- 23rd October Half term

Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th October Parents Evening

Tuesday 3rd November Individual photos

Thursday 12th November Flu immunisation

Harvest Festival

Thank you so much for all of your donations for our Harvest festival collection. We were overwhelmed by your kindness and generosity. Rev Kim will make a final collection of items on **Wednesday 14th October**. After this date please do not send in any further items. Thank you for your support.



Seasonal flu vaccination for school age children

On Thursday 12th November the NHS team will be administering the flu immunisation in school. Please use the link in the information you have received through Parent Mail to register your child for the vaccine. If you do not wish your child to have the immunisation, please still use the link to confirm this.



Class attendance up to 9/10/2020

Hedgehogs- 98%

Badgers- 96% 🔱 -1%

Foxes- 97%

Owls- 96%

Woodpeckers-99% +1%

Pandas- 97% 1+1%

Koalas-98%

Giraffes- 96 % 🛡 -1

Zebras- 98% 1+1%

Leopards- 97% 1+1%

Panthers- 96%

Lions-98%

Tigers- 97% 1+2%

Whole school- 96%



School motto/Mission statement

Thank you if you have chosen to vote in our survey as part of our school motto change. If you still wish to vote, please do so by Thursday 15th October at 9am. All of the children in school have cast their vote and the School Council will announce the result on Thursday afternoon. https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MQXVNXZ

October Half term

Metcalf Multi sports are offering a holiday course during the October half term here at school.

Information has been sent out via Parent mail with all the details. All bookings and payments should be made directly with Metcalf Sports, please do not send money to the school office.



Parking

We ask that parents park considerately and do not obstruct driveways of neighbouring houses. St Cuthbert's and local residents seek your cooperation in resolving this issue by requesting that parents park sensibly and with due consideration for other road users.

Half term holidays abroad

As a school we are working hard to keep the school as safe as possible by following the advice from the DFE and Public Health England. If you and your family are planning on travelling abroad over the half term, please read the following points:

- Email or call the school office to let us know where you are travelling to. We will make a note of
 the destination so should countries be added to the list during half term we can plan your child's
 return to school
- If you travel to any country that is not on the <u>travel corridor list</u>, you must quarantine for 14 days upon your return to the UK.
- Please continue to social distance throughout your holiday and wear a face covering if required



COVID-19 REMINDERS

Social distancing on the school site.

Please can ALL parents and visitors adhere to social distancing guidelines whilst on the school site- particularly when coming to collect children at the end of the day.

Face Coverings

A polite reminder- can <u>ALL</u> parents follow the request from the Director of Public Health and the Director of Children and Family Services.

"As infection rates continue to rise across the county, the Director of Public Health and the Director of Children and Family Services request that face coverings are worn by parents and carers at school pick up and drop off in Leicestershire.

We are also very aware that not all of us will be able to wear a face mask. If this applies to you-please do not worry.

Latest Guidance

Please see the link below for the latest guidance from the NHS. If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), get a test as soon as possible. Stay at home until you get the result.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/