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Headteacher's news

Thank you for your patience and understanding during our first week back with all pupils in school. Your feedback on drop off and collection procedures has been very much appreciated as we continue to support the children in their transition back into school routines.

Staffing

We are really pleased to welcome **Mrs Hamlin** to our teaching team. She will be Leopards class teacher for the academic year. The children have made her feel very welcome and she is excited about all the learning opportunities that are going to be taking place in year 5.

We would also like to welcome back Miss Henson who will be supporting learning in year 1. It is great to have you back in school as a Learning Support Assistant.

I would like to thank all parents, families and friends for your continued support and please take a look at Twitter for some fantastic images of the work the children are doing. Twitter! @StCuthbertsCEP1



Mrs J Hawkins

School Office

We understand that there may be times when parents need to visit the school office for help or advice from Mrs Carter and Mrs Simpson. If this is the case, please wait until a member of staff opens the door for you. Please do not hold the door open for other parents as this causes congestion and adults are unable to maintain social distancing.

Any enquires should be made by phone or email in the first instance. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Diary Dates

Thursday 10th September

Vegetable sale 3:00pm-4:00pm



Harvest Sale!

Every year Mrs Davis works with our children to grow some amazing vegetables to sell and this year is no different. We would like to give you an opportunity to buy these on Thursday 10^{th} September from 3:00pm- 4:00pm on the school field.

Safety first:

- A one-way system will be in operation.
- Mrs Davis will be wear full PPE and will be the only person allowed to touch the vegetables.
- Cones will be placed to show social distancing
- Parents are advised to wear a mask while queuing and purchasing items.

Our school uniform is

- a school red sweatshirt or cardigan (available at the school office) The majority of our pupils do wear the school sweatshirt but a plain red sweatshirt without logos is also acceptable.
- white polo-shirt
- grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore dress. Pupils should wear sensible footwear for school plain white, black or grey socks with <u>black shoes</u>.

There are some girls wearing black leggings to school. Please support our school uniform policy by sending children to school in grey trousers or skirt as soon as possible please. Thank you.

Covid- 19 response

In the event of a <u>positive confirmed</u> case of Covid-19 in school, the measures below will be taken as soon as the confirmation has been received.

Step 1- Parent, staff member, community member or NHS Test & Trace to call and email the school office to report a positive test result.

Step 2- Headteacher to immediately contact Public Heath England for help and advice. Information will be shared on the case and the control measures in place.

Step 3 - Public Health England will work with school to assess the risks and make clear the actions that need to be taken.

- If the advice from PHE is to partially or fully close, the Headteacher will notify parents via parent mail and phone call to the affected bubble. Children will remain in their bubble until they are collected. A letter will be sent to the whole school confirming there has been a case.
- Governors, Local Authority adviser and the Department of Education will be notified.
- Measures will be put in to place to ensure a deep clean of the area and its contents.
- Where the test result has been confirmed out of school hours e.g.in the evening or at the weekend and there is a delay in response from PHE a 'Waiting Response from PHE' letter will be sent to parents of pupils close contacts to tell them to stay at home the following day while we await confirmation of procedures.

These steps have been issued by Public Health England as part of the Covid-19 early outbreak management guidance for schools.

Health and Safety

If your child comes to school on a bike or scooter they must not ride them in the playground. This also includes younger siblings. On entering the school grounds, please push it to the bike shelter or scooter stand in the Key stage 2 playground or in the marked area through the side gate to the Key stage 1 playground. The car par gates in the Key stage 2 playground will be open at the beginning and the end of the school day for cyclists. Do not ride bikes through the car park- please walk. This will create more space for pedestrians along the path and hopefully avoid any unfortunate accidents.

Parking

Parents/ Carers who bring children to school by car must not:

- stop on the yellow lines outside the school entrance
- park on or in the school driveway/carpark
- park on any of the pavements near the school.

We also ask that you 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.

Home/School Learning

Children will begin to bring home a reading book and their Knowledge Organiser so that families can support with spellings, maths, reading and topic learning.

To reduce the risk of transmission, all reading books will be cleaned/sprayed when they are changed. Staff will regularly wash/sanitise their hands after sticking in and handling Knowledge Organisers.

Parents and children are advised to wash/sanitise their hands after handling books/resources sent home from school.

After School Sport Clubs

Coach will bring the children to the front door of the school at the end of the sport club session. Please wait away from the door in a socially distanced manner.

Many thanks