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St Cuthbert's C of E Primary School

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Doing all the good we can, through faith, love and excellence.

Headteacher's news

We are fast approaching the end of term and we have many exciting events being organised for the children and by the children in the coming weeks.

Usually this time of year brings lots of opportunities for us to fund raise for the school and for charities as part of our wider fundraising efforts. Thank you for your support so far with Children in Need and your support with our Poppy Appeal. During this challenging time, I know that not every family is able to donate to every project we are raising money for but I know that everyone is doing all they can and that your support is appreciated.

Please take a look on Twitter [@StCuthbertsCEP1](https://twitter.com/StCuthbertsCEP1) or through our website <http://www.stcuthberts.leics.sch.uk/> for photos and how the children are getting involved in these projects.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs J Hawkins

Diary Dates

Monday 29th November

Decorations day- - Non-uniform
£1

Tuesday 30th November

Christmas market enterprise
project begins.

Wednesday 8th December 2021

EYFS Nativity 9:30am and 2pm

Friday 10th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 14th December

Class parties
Santa visit

Wednesday 15th December

Christmas dinner day
Flu Immunisation (new date)

Friday 17th December 2020

Last day of term

Parent, Teacher Association (PTA)

We were disappointed with the non-attendance of parents at the planned PTA meeting that took place earlier in the month.

A PTA is an organisation that has to run and be led by parents so with no parents attending, we do not have a PTA at this time.

Mrs. Stevens (year 3 teacher) will try to organize one further meeting after Christmas so if you are interested in being part of a PTA, please email the school office with the best time of the day for you to attend a meeting and whether you prefer this to be in person or online.

BBC Children in Need



Thank you to everyone that donated to Children in Need. We raised £527 in online and cash donations.

Dogs on the School Grounds

A reminder that dogs (except assistance dogs) are not allowed on school grounds, this includes them being carried by their owner. Gateways must also be kept clear so please keep pets at home where possible as some people are genuinely petrified of dogs, however big or small.

This is for the safety and well-being of the dog as well as the children/staff.

EYFS Nativity



We are pleased to announce that Hedgehogs will be performing our Nativity on **Wednesday 8th December**. There will be 2 showings, 9:30am and 2:00pm. Each child will be allocated 2 tickets for each performance so that we can manage the number of adults in the hall. Donations towards our school fundraising will be collected on the day for anyone who wishes to donate.

Following the success of last year's DVD, there will be the opportunity for parents to purchase copies of the performance for £2.50 each. More details on consent for filming and ticket allocations will follow in a separate letter.

Christmas reminders

Monday 29th November- Non-Uniform day (£1 suggested)

We will be having a whole day of learning, crafts and fun as we make decorations, cards and decorate the classrooms to get us ready for the Christmas season. Unfortunately, families will not be able to join us in school but we hope to resume this in time for Easter craft day in the Spring term. Children have the option to come to school in their own clothes (this includes football shirts), they could even go with a Christmas theme if they wish (e.g. hat, dress, t-shirt, jumper etc..)

From Tuesday 30th November - Christmas market enterprise

Following the success of last year's Christmas market 'Apprentice' style challenge, we have decided to do this again this year!

Year groups have been challenged to make a product, advertise it and sell it. Please look out for posters and information from your child. We will also be raffling a number of cakes that have been made by Mrs Davies (Cooking club).

Tuesday 14th December- Visit Santa

Santa's Grotto will be open on Tuesday 14th December. If your child wishes to visit Santa, please send in £2.50 in an envelope with your child's name and class **by Friday 10th December**. Each child will receive a photo and gift. All distancing and hygiene measures will be in place, with regular cleaning taking place between the classes.

Christmas dinner

Christmas dinner will be on **Wednesday 15th December**. If your child would like to have a Christmas dinner, please complete the form on Parentmail and send in £2.35 in cash in a named envelope to the school office (KS2 children only) not later than Friday 3rd December.

If your child normally has a school meal you still need to complete the form but pay as normal.



Save the Children
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On Friday 10th December we are inviting everyone to wear their Christmas jumpers to support Save the Children.

This year we have been asked to trial taking **online donations**, so to donate please visit:

<https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/CJD210016829>

However, if you are not able to donate online, please send in any donation in the usual way.

If your child wishes to take part in the School Council's design a Christmas Jumper competition, please see details below. £1 cash entry and a template will be sent home with the children.

Design a Christmas jumper competition!

To raise funds for Save the Children the school council are running a Christmas competition!

It is **£1 to enter**, all money raised will be going to the Save the children charity. Design the **jazziest** Christmas jumper possible using any materials you have at home. There will be **one winner** from each key stage (EYFS/KS1 and KS2) as well as **two runners up**, each receiving a festive treat! Please return your entry to your **class teacher**, along with the money, by

Wednesday 8th December 2021.



Covid- 19 reminders

Cleaning and Hygiene

- Each classroom has been equipped with anti- bacterial wipes, spray and cloths. Staff will continue to wipe/spray tables and frequently touched surfaces during the school day.
- Windows will be opened to increase ventilation, balancing ventilation with thermal comfort.
- **Good hand hygiene** will remain in place with hand washing a priority when coming in from outside and before eating. Hand sanitiser is available and used with adult supervision when children need to move around the school e.g. PE, Computing, assemblies or when hand washing is not possible.
- **Good respiratory hygiene**, catch it, bin it, kill it principles will be shared and reinforced with the children.
- **First aid**- each classroom has their own first aid kits. The majority of first aid will be dealt with in the class. Any staff member dealing with first aid issues must wear a face mask and gloves. An apron will also be available should the adult wish to use one. All first aid treatments must be reported to the head or deputy.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) or tests positive for COVID-19

If your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), they should get a **PCR test** and remain at home at least until the result is known. **If negative**, the child can end self-isolation; **if positive**, the child should isolate until at least 10 days after their symptoms appeared.

Symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are;

- a new, continuous cough,
- or a high temperature,
- or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

In recent cases within school, children have shown symptoms of a stomach ache, head ache or a sore throat.

If the child has a positive test result but do not have symptoms, they should stay at home and self-isolate for 10 days from the date the positive test was taken.

Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for a PCR test (the normally available test type) and this can be arranged via Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus (COVID-19) - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) or by calling 119.

DANCE CLASSES at St Cuthbert's Primary School, Great Glen.

I am delighted to offer dance classes for children aged between 4 and 11 years.
All classes are taught by qualified dance teachers affiliated by the British Theatre Dance association (BTDA).

Classes are held in ballet and modern jazz from **4.45pm each Monday, in the school hall.**

Classes in acrobatic dance and musical theatre are held at our alternative venue in **Tur Langton on Wednesdays from 4.00pm.**

Please contact Yvette Healey for further information and to book a free trial for your child.

Tel : 07734832571

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Website updates

We have updated information on our Curriculum page for PE. There are lots of lovely videos and ideas on keeping active and healthy at home.

<https://www.stcuthberts.leics.sch.uk/page/?title=Physical+Education&pid=77>

Key policies have also been reviewed and updated <https://www.stcuthberts.leics.sch.uk/our-school/policies>