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St Cuthbert's C of E Primary School

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Headteacher's news

I hope you, your friends and families are all keeping well and I hope you have all had a restful summer holiday and are ready for an exciting term. I wish to welcome back all our children and families, especially those who are new to St Cuthbert's. It's great to see the children looking so smart in their uniforms and settling well into their new classes.

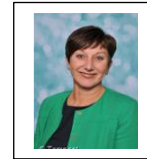
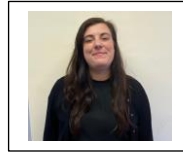
Staffing

We are really pleased to welcome new staff to school.

Miss Bishop will be teaching in year 4 Giraffes;

Mr Davies is our cover supervisor who will be teaching across the school as well as working with small groups of children as part of our intervention work.

Mrs Byrne has joined our office team and **Mrs Simpson** has started her new role as Office & Business manager.



I would like to thank all parents, families and friends for your continued support. The beginning of a new school year is a busy time as staff, families and children as they settle in to the school routines and put into place support for children and families who have experienced changes over the holiday.

We do all we can to support the children with any changes that take place within school and at home to keep things as consistent as possible. Often these changes are unexpected or planned changes need to be reviewed due to other incidents in school, so it isn't always possible to share this information prior to or during the change; and your understanding is appreciated in this matter.

We are so lucky that we have staff that teach and work across year groups who can cover classes, knowing the needs of the children and the level of work expected so that disruption and upset is kept to a minimum.

We have already started to share our learning and activities on Twitter so please take a look at some fantastic images of the work the children are doing. [Twitter! @StCuthbertsCEP1](https://twitter.com/StCuthbertsCEP1)

We look forward to '*doing all the good we can through faith, love and excellence*,' working with our whole school community to continue to improve and showcase the talents and brilliance of our children.

Mrs J Hawkins

The Lovely Grace

Today as a school community, we said goodbye to former pupil of St Cuthbert's, the lovely Grace who sadly passed away during the holiday. Our thoughts, love and prayers are with her family and to all who knew her. She will be forever remembered for her courage, love of life and compassion. A delightful young lady who will be dearly missed.



As a school, over the next year, we have plans to create a peace/sensory garden between our nature area and the year 5/6 building. Within this, will be a seating area dedicated to Grace providing a safe quiet place for children to use throughout the day.

We hope to make this a community project so please keep your eye on the newsletter for opportunities to get involved and/or donate.

Thank you

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 **black shoes**.



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.

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. This will create a safer environment for pedestrians along the path and hopefully avoid any unfortunate accidents. 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. Do not ride bikes or scooter around the car park at any time.

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.



Twitter highlights



St Cuthbert's C.E. Primary School @StCuthbertsCEP1 · 21h
Badgers drew their own faces and then painted them for a display in the cloakroom. #faces #individual #painting



Attendance and Absence

It is vital for your child's education that they attend school regularly and promptly.

If your child is absent, please ring the school office to inform us why your child is not in school. Parents will be asked to provide evidence of illness once a child has been away for more than two days.

We expect parents to make routine doctor and dentist appointments outside the school day and bring children to school before or after an appointment where possible. For all medical appointments to be authorised (e.g hospital, GP, Dentist etc...) school will request to see and take a copy of the appointment letter/card or text.

If you are planning a family holiday, please make every effort to take this during school holidays. If you are unable to do so, please email the school office to notify us of the relevant information. Schools rarely agree to parents taking their children out of school for the purposes of a holiday in term-time and we follow the Government legislation on absence requests with all absence being reported to the Local Authority who could then decide to take further action.

We appreciate your support.

Great Glen Community WildSpace at the Wheelbarrow Race on Saturday 3rd September

Do come to the Great Glen Wheelbarrow Race at the Recreation Ground on Saturday afternoon from 12:00 if you fancy witnessing some fun and frolics from the barrow racers!

Great Glen Community WildSpace will be there selling jute shopping bags with the beautiful logo inspired by St Cuthbert's children when GGCWS began 12 years ago.

There will be quizzes about pollinators for all the family to try. No prior information needed, just check the display.

If you'd like to make part of your garden, a planter or window box pollinator friendly, there will be meadow mix seed and plants. Or come and find a bargain book.

We'll be in an easy-to-spot curved Coleman event shelter, and we'd love you to join us as a supporter or volunteer. Someone who can help with the website is needed, but anyone with enthusiasm and some time to spare is welcome. A management team meets on Wednesday mornings 9:30-11:30, so children can be dropped at school first. Come for a chat about volunteering, how to increase habitats for pollinators and all things wild around the village.

If you miss us on Saturday, see <http://www.greatglenwildspace.co.uk> and leave your details at the Parish Office



**Great Glen
Wheelbarrow Race
& Summer Fete**

Saturday 3rd September 2022

**Recreational Ground, Bindley's Lane, Great Glen
From 12 midday till 5pm
followed by BBQ & Music at Royal Oak, High Street.**

for more information please email:
info@greatglenwheelbarrowrace.co.uk

Prizes for the winners and best decorated barrows

Side stalls & licensed bar

Meet **Lionel**
the Loros mascot

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