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## Headteacher's news

Thank you to all the children who have bought money in to buy items as part of the Poppy Appeal.

We raised an amazing £501.40! On behalf of the Royal British Legion thank you so much for your generosity.

We have lots of events taking place over the next few weeks both in school and in the local community. We hope that you are able to join us in some or all of these and have lots of fun along the way.

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

## **Diary Dates**

# Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November Year 1 Toy theme day Year 5 Condover

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** EYFS 2023 admissions open morning 9:45am

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November WW2 day- Year 6 trip to Beaumanor hall

Tuesday 29th November PTA meeting

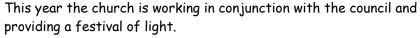
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November Decorations day- nonuniform. Parents welcome from 2pm

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December Flu Vaccination yr 1-6

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December EYFS Nativity 9:45am & 2pm

# St Cuthbert's Church activities

# <u>Light in the Darkness competition</u>



Children can create a piece of art, a poem, craft piece, drawing etc on the theme being 'light in the darkness.' What does light in the darkness mean and how would I show that. The winner will be announced at the light switch on at the church on the  $26^{th}$  November. There is a £30 Amazon voucher for the winner.

Final entries to class teachers on Monday 21st November

#### Meals at Christmas

A gentleman who attends St Cuthbert's church, has donated 6 complete Christmas meals to support local families who may be finding the increases in the cost of living a challenge. The packages include foods such as; Turkey crowns, Parsnips, Carrots, Brussel sprouts, Potatoes, Stuffing, Pigs in blankets, Bread sauce, Gravy, Cranberry sauce, Christmas pudding and Brandy Sauce.

If you or someone you know would benefit from one of these packages please drop our office an email (office@stcuthberts.leics.sch.uk). All emails will be treated with the strictest confidentiality but must include a contact name and telephone number that can be shared with Rev'd Kim.

#### Christmas lights

On <u>Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November</u> St Cuthbert's church are organising a light switch on event. There will be tea and mince pies at the Methodist church, a switch on at the



memorial green, then lighting up the trees at the church. Children and families are invited along to sing carols. We hope to have as many St Cuthbert's children as possible there to join Mrs Hawkins in a singsong! Full details will be shared early next week.





Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s) / Grandparent(s) and Friends

## Mr Hirrell needs your help!

As of this academic year, I have been given the opportunity to re-establish St. Cuthbert's PTA.

I am proud to say that St. Cuthbert's has managed to pull off many successful enterprises and celebrations whilst still making regular contributions to the local area of Great Glen. The resilience shown by children and families alike is what has made these possible. I love the sense of community in our local area and have been able to celebrate local events such as the Jubilee, Christmas lights switch on and Remembrance parades which our school community contribute towards and regularly attend.

I am keen to formulate a group of volunteers to share ideas and take part in future events in order to continue providing children with the best educational opportunities and resources available.

Over the past few years funds have been used to provide:

- Individual class equipment at break and lunch times
- New ICT equipment and technology
- Contributions towards whole class trips
- New books and resources for the library
- General refurbishment of the school building
- Outdoor Reading sheds
- Volunteers to run Mother's Day and Father Day activities
- Support running school discos
- Listening to children read

As many of you will know, I'm full of ideas and an advocate in making memories at primary school that children will remember for a lifetime! I would like to welcome any who are interested in supporting activities in school to a discussion on **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 5:00pm.** This will take place in Panthers Class (Year 5 building). I look forward to hopefully seeing you all to discuss and share ideas.

There is no right or wrong way to be involved – we invite you to take part because we can do more together than we can apart!

Yours Sincerely

Mr. Hirrell



We are pleased to announce that Hedgehogs will be performing our Nativity on **Wednesday 7th December**. There will be 2 showings, 9:45am and 2:00pm. Each child will be allocated 2 tickets for each performance so that we can manage the number o 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 filmina and ticket allocations will follow in a separate letter.

The School Council conducted a whole school pupil survey. please see the results below. The School Couuncil will meet with Mrs Hawkins and Mr Bools to discuss the outcomes in more detail.

## KS1 Pupil voice survey October 2022

Question All of the time Most of the time Not a lot of the time I enjoy coming to 66% 17% 17% school 57% 11% 32% My lessons are fun I know what to do 74% 3% 23% when I find something difficult 10% I know how I am 72% 18% doing in my learning I know the next steps 79.5% 16.5% 4% to improve in my learning I know who I can talk 81.5% 15% 3.5% to about my learning I know what to do if I 89.5% 9% 1.5% have problem at playtime

# KS2 Pupil voice survey October 2022

Question	All of the time	Most of the time	Not a lot of the time
I enjoy coming to school	52%	46%	2%
I know what to do in lessons	61%	31%	8%
My lessons are interesting	58%	35%	7%
I know what to do when I find something difficult	82.5%	17.5%	0%
I know how I am doing in my learning	75%	18%	7%
I know the next steps in my learning	70%	26%	4%
I know who I can talk to about my learning	83.5%	13%	3.5%
I know what to do if I have problem at playtime	95.5%	3%	1.5%

