

16th February 2024



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

Last week, we participated in Children's Mental Health awareness week and focused on children recognising that they have 'a voice' and encouraging children to speak out to trusted friends and adults if something is worrying them. All of our children have been very open and talked about the things that matter to them and how we can support each other through our Learning and Christian values.



Parents Evening

Please check ParentMail for information on how to book a parents evening time. We always look forward to welcoming parents into classes so that parents can look at the work children have been doing and see how much progress they have made. Parents will also receive a copy of their child's mid-year report.

This half term seems to have flown by and with only 4 weeks after half term until Easter, there is a great deal to fit in. On behalf of all the staff, I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half term.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs J Hawkins

Diary Dates

**Monday 19th February -
Friday 23rd February**
Half term week

Monday 26th February
Year 6 SATs meeting for
parents- 5pm

**Air Ambulance-Wear it
Yellow day**

Thursday 7th March
World Book day
Book Swap

**Wednesday 13th &
Thursday 14th March**
Parents' evenings

Friday 15th March
Comic Relief day

Friday 22nd March
Last Day of Spring term

**Monday 25th March - Friday
5th April**
Easter Holiday

Monday 8th April
First day of Summer term

Class attendance up to 12th February 2024

Hedgehogs- 96.4% Badgers- 97.7% Foxes- 95.5%

Owls- 97.5% Woodpeckers- 94.1% Pandas- 94.9%

Koalas- 97.3% Giraffes- 96.5% Zebras- 96.3%

Leopards- 96.4 % Panthers- 95.9% Lions- 94%

Tigers-95.3%

Whole school- 96%

We aim for an attendance figure of 96%. Please support us in encouraging your child to come to school every day so that they are experiencing all the great learning opportunities we have to offer.

Air Ambulance day

On **Monday 26th February** we are being visited by members of the Air Ambulance service. They will lead an assembly in the morning and share with us all the important work they do.

To show our support, we are inviting children to wear yellow for the day bringing in a suggested voluntary contribution of £1 per family. All the money raised will go directly to the Air Ambulance charity.

Children could wear yellow from head to toe, wear a yellow jumper or socks etc. If children do not wish to take part in this charity event then school uniform should be worn as normal.



We hope that you will support such a valuable and life changing service.

Comic Relief, Red Nose Day- Friday 15th March

We would like to support Comic Relief this year by having a non-uniform day. This can include wearing something red or fancy dress. We ask for a £1 cash donation from each family if your child would like to take part, which will be donated to Comic Relief.

The logo for Comic Relief, featuring the words "COMIC RELIEF" in a bold, sans-serif font. The letter "O" in "COMIC" is replaced by a red nose, which is a symbol associated with the charity.

World Book Day Thursday 7th March 2024

Costume Theme:

We would like everyone to dress as a book character or children can choose a word if they prefer.

Word ideas- Please have the word somewhere on your costume/outfit to show what you are representing. E.g. 'zany' - crazy hair, comedy clothes, big glasses. If you have already purchased a costume or have one in mind then please think of a word to describe your character. This will really help with the school's focus on widening the children's use of vocabulary to improve reading and writing.

Surprise Mystery Readers:

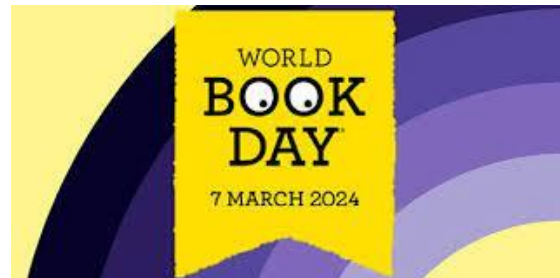
We would love each class to have a surprise mystery reader for any of the days, week commencing 4th March, so that we can promote an enjoyment of reading. If you or a relative would be able to come and read, either the class book or one of your own, then please get in touch by emailing the school office by Monday 26th February

Any questions then please contact me via the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Lippitt

Reading Lead



Dear Parents

Do you have some children's books in your home that you could donate to school for a book swap?

Maybe you have books that your children have read so many times that they will not be reading them again; books that your children have grown out of or books that your children love and want to share so others can love them too?

If you do, we will be collecting these in until Monday 4th March 2024

In exchange we will give your child a book token in our school book swap on World Book Day.

Thank you for your support.

Ms Davies & Miss Lippitt



their choice

Children's Mental Health Week

Thank for supporting fundraising efforts for Children's Mental Health week. It was lovely to see so many children Dressed to Express. Children's outfits ranged from their favourite sport, hobbies, animals and colours. This focus on what makes us unique enables us all to celebrate, place value on what makes us who we are and how important our British Values of tolerance and respect are in supporting our children to be successful learners, confident individuals and responsible citizens both now and in the future.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

We raised £122 for the charity



Safeguarding update

Many children have mobile phones and with that come worries and dangers about how our children are using their phones. Children who need to bring phones in to school e.g for walking home after a club or school or because they going to a friend's house, **MUST** hand their phone into the office when they first arrive in school. If a phone is found in the classroom or a child's bag, parents will be notified and the phone kept safe until the end of the day.

Here are some useful links for supporting parents in the setting up of controls on your child's phone to help keep them safe.

Setting up parental controls on your child's mobile

If you do not have the same mobile phone as your child, and therefore are unable to use Google Family link or Apple Family Sharing, then you can set restrictions on your child's device instead.

Apple devices:

To set up restrictions on your child's device directly (rather than using an app) then follow the instructions on the link below (copy and paste into browser if required):

<https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT201304>



The instructions will show you how to get to the settings on your child's phone and then how to set restrictions such as restrict content, schedule downtime, set time limits for apps. You will need to set a passcode 'use a screen time passcode' to ensure changes cannot be made after you have set them.

Android devices:

As with the above link, this link shows you how to set up parental controls on the device itself by creating a PIN:

<https://support.google.com/googleplay/answer/1075738?hl=en-GB#zippy=%2Cfor-family-members-who-manage-their-own-accounts>

Our Safeguarding Team



Jenny Hawkins
Headteacher
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Daniel Bools
Deputy Headteacher
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Jemma White
Phase 1 Lead
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Jane Jones
Joint Phase 2 Lead
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Elizabeth Willoughby
Joint Phase 2 Lead
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Pauline Guy
Inclusion
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead

St Cuthbert's Church Events



Our annual
DONKEY WALK
is back!

24 | 03 | 2024

Starting at **The Methodist Church**
Crafts for children from 8.45am
Walk begins at 9.15am
Follow the donkey up Oaks Road & across the fields
to St Andrew's Church, Burton Overy





All services at
St Cuthbert's
Church, Great Glen.
Unless otherwise stated.

Easter Events

HOLY MONDAY – 25TH MARCH
7.30pm – Stations of the Cross

MAUNDY THURSDAY – 28TH MARCH
7.30pm – Benefice Service
St Peter's, Oadby

GOOD FRIDAY – 29TH MARCH
9am – Easter Crafts for all ages
2pm – Reflection Service

EASTER SUNDAY – 31ST MARCH
8.00am – Sunrise Service
9.00am – Holy Communion
at St Andrew's, Burton Overy
10.30am – Easter Celebration with Communion
6.00pm – Stations of the Resurrection
at St Mary's, Carlton Curleu

THE LAMB OF GOD, HE TAKES AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD.

www.ggbchurches.co.uk



Easter Trail
25 - 30th March 2024

1. Collect a card from the council office or community pantry.
2. Visit the trail in the Rec.
3. Fetch your prize from the Coop.

Complete the challenge
Win a chocolate egg

Download the card from
www.facebook.com/greatglenchurch



Special diets, allergies and individual exceptions

We are aware that some children are 'fussy eaters' or 'sensitive to certain textures or tastes in food'. In these circumstances it is ultimately the parents' choice what food is given to their own child.

The school also recognises that some pupils may require special diets that do not allow for the standards to be met exactly.

In the above cases parents are urged to be responsible in ensuring that packed lunches are as healthy as possible and that a discussion is had with the class teacher so that lunchtime staff can be made aware of individual circumstances.

Packed lunches

Please ensure that your child's packed lunch is completely **NUT FREE** this includes chocolate spreads, Kinder Bueno and some cereal bars.

We encourage children to eat as healthy as possible and that foods such as chocolate, sweets, crisps and cakes are ok but in moderation.

We are increasingly seeing children with share sized bags of crisps, chocolates and sweets- these are not appropriate for children to be eating in school as part of a healthy balanced diet.

Please use the guidance below to support you in providing a balanced and healthy packed lunch for your child.






Packed lunches MUST not include

- NUTS - including peanut butter, Nutella or Nutella based products e.g Kinder Bueno - because of the life-threatening risk to any other child who may have a severe allergy
- confectionery such as chocolate bars and sweets (fruit strings are considered to be sweets) beyond one treat sized chocolate bar. Cakes and biscuits are better but encourage your child to eat these only as part of a balanced meal.
- Prime and fizzy drinks - water is always available in school.



Please note that it is for these reasons that all pupils are also not permitted to swap food items.

St Cuthbert's After School Clubs – Spring term 2024

<p>Monday Starting 26th February</p> 	<p>Reception, 1, 2 & 3 Cooking club 6 weeks Club to run until and including Monday 8th April 8 places available. With Mrs D Davies. - £6.50 per session 3.30pm – 4.45pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FULL</p>
<p>Tuesday Starting 27th February</p> 	<p>Year Reception, 1, 2 & 3 singing club Club to run until and including Tuesday 9th April 12 places available. Led by Mrs Ricketts - £4.50 per session. 3.30 – 4.40pm</p>
<p>Wednesday Starting 28th February</p> 	<p>Year 4, 5 & 6 - Cooking club Club to run until and including Wednesday 10th April 9 places available. Led by Mrs D Davies - £6.50 per session. 3.30 – 4.45pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FULL</p>
<p>Thursday Starting 29th February</p> 	<p>KS2 – computing club Club to run until and including Thursday 11th April. 12 places available. Led by Mr Hirrell - £4.50 per session 3.30 – 4.40pm</p>
<p>Friday Starting 1st March</p> 	<p>KS1 Painting club Club to run until and including Friday 12th April. 12 places available Led by Mrs Willoughby - £4.50 per session 3.30 – 4.30pm</p>



We are looking forward to another fun half term of after school clubs!

X Highlights

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@StCuthbertsCEP1

Owls class have been learning all about Chinese New Year and the year of the dragon. They have drawn their own dragon using wool and oil pastels . Great art work Owls! #dragon #ChineseLunarNewYear



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Hedgehogs have been thinking about Shrove Tuesday and a special time called Lent. We have made pancakes, eaten them, had pancake tossing competitions, pancake races, and even made our own recipe books! #Lent #pancakes #EYFS





February Holiday Course

St. Cuthbert's
19TH - 23RD FEBRUARY 9AM - 3PM

£18
A Day

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Next session- Wednesday 28th February 2024

Well-being Wednesday



Themes:
ADHD
Dyslexia
Behavioural Concerns
Healthy Eating
SEMH and
many more..

Time 8:50am- 9:30am in the
Community Room

An opportunity for parents/carers to talk together!
Mrs Kerr and Rev'd Linda (our Emotional Literacy support team) will be there for a chance to chat as well as to gain advice and support on a range of topics.



2024



JUNIOR CHEF Of The Year COMPETITION

- 1) Cook your recipes
- 2) Take photos of your finished dishes
- 3) Fill in an entry form and send your photos and written recipes to Juniorchef@leics.gov.uk.

All entries will be judged by an expert judging panel consisting of a senior dietician, local food suppliers and chefs of LTS Catering Services.

If your recipes are selected by the judging panel you will be invited to take part in your local heats where you will be cooking your recipes for the judges.

Support and guidance will be on hand from a chef from one of our team.

The heats will take Place between
1st of March and 10th May 2024

If you get through your heat, you will be invited to take part in the final. The final will take place at Loughborough College on the 25th of June 2024

Entry forms are available from

juniorchef@leics.gov.uk.

[This is a live cooking competition, so all ingredients need to be brought and prepared on the day.](#)

[Please find the application form on Parentmail](#)

