

30<sup>th</sup> January 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

As a whole school we work together to create as safe and as positive learning environment for all children and staff. Our school has grown to 361 children (including Cuthbert's Cubs preschool). No child learns or behaves the same way and we are proud to support and celebrate what makes us unique while working together to address and support individual needs through a variety of learning and behaviour strategies.

Mr Bools is working hard with staff to provide a new and exciting challenge each week for break and lunchtimes. So far, we have had skipping competitions, creating chalk courses and this week we have bowling and ring toss games. It has been wonderful to see our children playing together in such a positive way.

### Parking disputes



Recently there have been a number of instances where staff have had to challenge individuals about where they park, including using the staff carpark and parking on the pavement. I appreciate that this is an ongoing issue and would encourage as many people as possible to walk or park slightly further from the school gates to walk up to school at drop off and pick up times.

**Please note that if you are challenged by another parent or local resident** about where you have parked and feel threatened or intimidated, please call 101 to report the incident. As Headteacher, I have no authority to intervene or resolve matters on public streets, however the school will always be a safe space for you to come and then report to 101 about what has happened if you choose to.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs J Hawkins

### Diary Dates

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January -**  
Year 1 trip to the Space Centre

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January -**  
**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024**  
Book fair

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup>-Friday 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**February**  
Children's Mental Health week  
(including 6<sup>th</sup> February- Safer Internet day)

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February**  
Shrove Tuesday

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February**  
Ash Wednesday

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February -**  
**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
Half term week

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March**  
World Book day

### Physical Education.

Please can every child have a PE kit in school. We suggest it be brought to school on a Monday and taken home on a Friday so should there be an extra sports session or a child has an issue resulting in a change of clothes needed the kit is there to use.

#### Our PE kit is:

- **Indoor PE kit** - a red St. Cuthbert's CE School t-shirt, red or black shorts and soft black plimsolls. (these can be purchased from the school office via Parent Mail)
- **For outdoor PE** the kit should include tracksuit/jogging bottoms and trainers.

We suggest having both kits in the bag so should PE need to move outside due to other enrichment activities happening in the hall, the children are prepared.

School PE kit should also be worn at sporting afterschool clubs. The exception to this is KS1 & 2 football.

**We have ordered larger sizes as our year 5 & 6 children are getting taller and taller. Please contact the school office for larger sizes.**

**Class teachers will contact parents if children do not have the correct kit in school**

## Children's Mental Health Week

During the week of the 5<sup>th</sup> February, we will be taking part in **Children's Mental Health Week**. The children will be joining in with this year's theme of "My Voice Matters" through activities in the classroom and learning more about the importance of listening to each other and themselves.



Children's Mental Health Week was launched by the mental health charity **Place2Be** in 2015 as a way to empower, equip and give a voice to every child in the UK.

This year we would like to raise money for the charity by holding a "**Dress to Express**" day on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February**. On this day, we would like the children to come to school in an outfit that represents part of themselves, to raise money for Place2Be. This could be as dressing in a sports kit of their favourite team, or they could think out of the box and dress to represent an adjective that best describes them e.g. wearing a t-shirt with hearts on to show that they are caring.

To donate, please follow the link to our JustGiving page: [https://www.justgiving.com/page/mrs-tunnicliffe-1706021980836?utm\\_term=pd7Adq7Zp](https://www.justgiving.com/page/mrs-tunnicliffe-1706021980836?utm_term=pd7Adq7Zp)



## The Book Fair is here until Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024

A colorful Scholastic Book Fair poster. At the top, it says 'SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS'. The main text reads 'COME TO the SUPER AMAZING BOOK FAIR!'. Below this, there are several book covers: 'CAT KID COMIC CLASS', 'ROALD DAHL CHARLIE &amp; THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY', 'George Weasley Why Not?', 'SKANDAR PHANTOM SLIDER', 'VILLAINS ACADEMY', 'DIARY OF A WIMPY KID SUPER OVERLOAD', 'THE PANDAS WHO PROMISED', and 'NINA PEANUT'. There are also promotional bubbles: 'FREE BOOKS FOR YOUR SCHOOL WHEN YOU BOOK AT THE BOOK FAIR!', 'A POP-UP BOOK-STORE WITH HUNDREDS OF BOOKS FROM JUST £2.99', 'Save £3', 'Hey! That's my line!', and 'Work of genius. SERIOUSLY.'. At the bottom, it says 'LAST YEAR YOUR SUPPORT HELPED DONATE £5.3M IN FREE BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE'.

### Book fair: Open area

**Open times:** 8:30 - 9:00 am and 3:30 - 4:00 pm

**Payments-** can pay online using QR codes on the posters around school

The more books that are sold the more new texts we can purchase for the school

## Raising funds for the 'Make a Wish Foundation.'

Please take a moment to read and support one of our parents who is raising money for the Make a Wish Foundation.

### From Mr James Barker:

I was lucky enough to be blessed with two beautiful, healthy, happy children who are and always will be my greatest achievement in life. I am taking part in a charity boxing event on the 16th March raising money for the Make a Wish Foundation. Over 60,000 children in the UK have been diagnosed with a critical condition, changing their lives and the lives of their families forever.

The Make a Wish charity brings light and joy to children and their loved ones and leaves a profound and lasting impact on all their lives. This is a charity that means a lot to me personally. If anyone can donate anything from 10p, or whatever you can afford, I would be eternally grateful, as it's for such a fantastic cause.

Thank you so much in advance your support.

## Scan QR code

Say hello to your very own QR code. This will help your supporters find your Page more easily.

James Barker's  
JustGiving Page



## School Nursing Team

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust runs a dedicated, confidential and secure text messaging service called ChatHealth for parents/carers of children aged 0-11 in Leicestershire and Rutland, which enables you to get professional health advice and support.

**Text a Public Health Nurse (School Nurse) on: 07520 615 382**

These are some of the things the school nurse can support you and your child with:

- Behaviour
- Continence
- Sleep
- Physical Health
- Emotional Health
- Parenting Advice
- Healthy Lifestyles



If you wish to speak to the school nurse you can follow the link below or the **school nurse phone number is 0300 300 3001**

<https://www.healthforkids.co.uk/leicestershire/school-nurses/>

Public health (school) nurses - Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland

Local School Nursing information for parents of children across Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland.

[www.healthforkids.co.uk](http://www.healthforkids.co.uk)