



St. Cuthbert's RC Primary School

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OCTOBER 2017

WELCOME BACK

We have had a really good start to the school year!

Children have settled into the routines of their new classes very well. It is great to see our Reception Class make new friendships with each other, while children in other classes develop their relationships with each other and their new teachers. Throughout the school, children are excited about new topics. We have an exciting heritage school project beginning this term and we are looking forward to seeing some great work over the coming weeks!



There are lots of clubs happening this term:

- * Sports Hall Athletics
- * Dance Club
- * Gymnastics
- * Fisch
- * Football
- * Tag Rugby
- * Cross Country

The boys on the football team are getting on great and have played lots of games already. Don't forget to look at the school website for reports and interviews.

Amy W - Year 5 (Sports Leader)

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested please call into the school office for a nomination form.



Our school receives funding from the Government to cover the costs of providing education. The school also receives pupil premium for pupils who's families receive certain benefits.

All KS1 (Rec, Y1, Y2) currently receive a meal via the universal infant free school meal scheme.

Please see attached list of criteria. If you think you may be eligible, please contact the school office.



In July we were awarded the Silver School Games mark for commitment to the development sport and PE provision in school.

Mrs Parlett and our Year 5/6 sports leaders (last year) were also nominated for an award for outstanding leadership in primary schools. Four schools in County Durham were shortlisted and we were worthy runners up.

Well done and a big thank you to Mrs Parlett and our Y5/6 sports leaders. We look forward to our new Y5/6 sports leader's contribution this year.

Early Morning Routines

- Access to school is via the footpath next to the church. If you are arriving by car, please join this footpath, so leaving the school gates free for deliveries etc. This is for the safety of the children.
- Children should be arriving around 8.45am to ensure they are ready to line up when the bell goes.
- When the bell rings at 8.55am, we would like parents to allow the children to line up independently please. Parents should not be standing in line with children holding their bags etc, or walking into school with their child's line. Also it would be appreciated if parents left the main yard when the bell rings before the children walk into school.
- *If you are waiting for the start of the day, your child can stand with you until the bell rings. All other children must be on the school yard, not standing with/among parents or on the path leading to the gate.*

Music Lessons

Years 4, 5 & 6 Guitar lessons - Thursday
 Years 5 & 6 Violin lessons - Friday.



As part of their music curriculum, school pays for Year 3 have First Access violin lessons from Durham music service. This happens every Friday morning and violins are kept in school, not sent home like private music lessons. There will be a concert at Christmas so you can see your child play.

Also on Saturday 17th March the children will have the opportunity to play at the Sage and more details will be sent about these events nearer the time.



Parents are invited to come along.

6th October (9:10am) in school	Year 4 Assembly
13th October (9:10am) in school	Year 5 Assembly
3rd November (9:10am) in school	Year 3 Assembly
10th November (9:10am) in school	Year 2 Assembly
17th November (9:10am) in school	Year 1 Assembly

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS



Thank you to those parents who try and keep medical appointments outside of school time. We know at times appointments in school time can't be helped, but please keep appointments to as close to 9am or 3pm as possible. If an appointment is in the middle of the day, children should be in school before/after the appointment.

Evidence of a medical appointment should be taken to the office.



The office is manned at the following times:

Monday: 8.30am-4pm
 Tuesday: 8am-4pm
 Wednesday: 8am-4pm
 Thursday: 8.30am-4pm
 Friday: 8am-4pm

All monies (except yellow breakfast club) **should be sent to class with your child** in an envelope. Please use **pink** envelopes for dinners.

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