



St. Cuthbert's RC Primary School

You are unique, talented and loved by God.

Dear Parents, we are delighted to share with you the report from our religious inspection on the 7th/ 8th February, in which the Religious Education of children at St Cuthbert's is judged as good. The Catholic life of the school was judged as outstanding.

The inspector found the children to be engaging, polite, well behaved and eager to learn and respond. I am always very proud of our children and they truly showed the inspectors the caring and nurturing ethos of the school as well as showing the pride they take in their work and achievements. Inspectors also recognised that parents and families are very supportive of our school so thank you to you and your children.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support. The progress we continue to make is a result of the full support of parents, the dedication of the Governing Body, the hard work of the children and the commitment and expertise of the staff. I am incredibly proud to be head teacher at our wonderful school.

Mrs N. Noble

On Ash Wednesday we began the church's season of Lent

Lent is a time where we prepare for Easter by praying, fasting and almsgiving.



Each Friday during Lent, Fr Hastie is making the day chapel available for



During Lent it is our custom to collect Lenten Alms. Each class has a small box where children can put in small change on a daily basis.

This year it will be sent to our Mission together charity.

www.missiontogether.org.uk.

Please send in a donation if you are able.

The money we raise will go to support the Thika Feeding Programme. Thika is an area around 20 miles from Nairobi where the majority of people work either in factories or in pineapple and coffee plantations.

Life for workers is difficult. They have physically difficult jobs and only earn around £1 a day. They cannot grow crops of their own as they live on plantation land which means that families often go hungry. Many children are taken out of school to work to earn money for their families. The Assumption Sisters of Nairobi came to Thika to help. They run a feeding programme from schools to encourage parents to send children to school for free healthy meals.

Milk or porridge on a morning and beans and rice at lunch are often the only food these children eat. An added bonus is that more children are being educated and parents can focus on the other needs of their family such as health care without having to worry about the cost of food.

Some of the staff in school (at the suggestion of Year 5 pupils) have agreed to eat the same meals as the children in Thika for a week. We will be eating porridge at breakfast club and rice and beans for lunch in the dinner hall. We hope to raise awareness in our school community and funds for the Mission Together charity by doing this.

50p will feed a child for a day - please help us to raise as much as possible to help nurture children's

This school year your child's House Group will also be leading assemblies about their House Group Saint. Watch out for these through the school year. Parents of children in the House Group are welcome to attend the assembly.

17th March (9:10am) in school	PATRICK House Group
24th March (9:10am) in school	Year 1 Lenten Service
31st March (9:10am) in school	Year 6 Lenten Service
7th April (9:10am) in school	Year 4 Lenten Service

Any parents of children in PATRICK house group (Reception-Year 6) are invited to their liturgy THIS



BREAKFAST CLUB

Unfortunately we are unable to take any more children at breakfast club on a **full time basis**.

In exceptional circumstances for a one off day, please contact the office. Equally, if you want to add your child's name to a waiting list, please contact the office.

Money/Payment:

Breakfast club is £3 for one day and £6 for two - five days. The breakfast club is self funding (nothing to do with school meals), so please do not send payment for breakfast club and school meals/trip money together. Breakfast club money must be sent in a yellow envelope. Overpayment will be credited to the following week; no change will be given.

As breakfast club is in such demand, anybody in arrears after 4 weeks will be asked to leave breakfast club. Payments can be made by cash, cheque and in advance.

REMINDER: all children should have a FULL PE kit and trainers/plimsols in school.

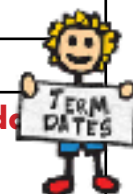
Failure to have their equipment may result in your child missing PE.
NO JEWELLERY should be worn.

We will send your child's PE

Easter	Friday 7th April 2017	Monday 24th April 2017
May Day Bank Holiday	Friday 28 th April 2017	Tuesday 2nd May 2017
Summer Half term	Friday 26 th May 2017	Monday 5 th June 2017
Summer	Friday 21st July 2017	To be determined

Please note that School will be closed for a further Professional Development day this school year:

Friday 23rd June 2017



Friday 24 March

£1 contribution to raise money for Comic Relief - children can wear something red on 24th March.

Red noses will be on sale from Thursday 16th March.

School will be hosting a talent show. Children have auditioned to