

Friday 8th March 2019

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Mass times at St. Cuthbert's or St. Joseph's are: Saturday Vigil St Joseph's at 5.30pm and Sunday Mass at St Cuthbert's at 11am. Fr. Hughes can be contacted on 257 5801

Thank you to Fr. Chris and the parish for making everyone so welcome at Ash Wedensday Mass last Wednesday. Everyone received their ashes and they were able to talk about and explain how the ashes are made and what they represent to Catholics. Thank you to Fr. Chris for joining us at school on Wednesday morning to talk to our Boggle Hole children and their families and to share ashes with them before they went on their adventures. We will be joining our friends from Christ Church and St. Joseph's to

perform our Easter Passion at Northumberland Square on Tuesday 2nd April. We will end this term with our Early Years and Key Stage 1 Easter play in school on Thursday 4th April when the children will retell the story of Jesus' sacrifice for us all. Details for each event will be sent out later this half term. We will also be holding daily opportunities for families to join us in prayer and reflection throughout Lent and we will send more details of what we are doing and when this week.

Our whole school attendance is a good 96.7% for the week and year 6 have won the trophy with a perfect 100%.

Everyone at St. Cuthbert's enjoyed another fantastic reading week with many highlights throughout. Families enjoyed their breakfast with books each morning and it was brilliant to see so many of our children sharing and swapping books. Our second reading festival was a great success throughout school with children dressed as book characters or festival goers! Children took part in lots of different activities including play your cards right and eating chocolate biscuits (3) Thank you everyone for supporting our full week of celebrating reading.













Weekly Attendance			
Reception	95%		
Year 1	95.6%		
Year 2	96%		
Year 3	98.1%		
Year 4	95.2%		
Year 5	96.1%		
Year 6	100%		
Whole School	96.7%		





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Our Musical Theatre group performed their Revolting Children dance at the North Shields Dance Festival at The Parks on Tuesday night and every single child shone like a star! All their hard work paid off in mountains as they stole the show with their energy, amazing skill and sense of fun. Thank you to St. Cuthbert's staff who worked with the children over the previous weeks and school staff and families who supported the children on the night.



Our first week of '40 Bags in 40 Days' has been an amazing success and we will keep count of how many bags we donate to The Community School Clothing Scheme as it will be a lot more than the target 40 bags if donations keep coming into school at this rate. We will take our first donations to the scheme next week and share photos of the delivery on Twitter. Thank you for all the amazing support with our '40 Bags in 40 Days', once again St. Cuthbert's community is demonstrating how amazing it is.



Our school choir will be in action at Whitley Bay Playhouse next Wednesday 13th March. Tickets for the show are available through ParentMail.

Next week we are celebrating science, technology, engineering and maths at St. Cuthbert's through our Science Week. Children will be taking part in lots and lots of exciting workshops and activities and there are quite a few surprises lined up which they might want to try out at home! Information about some activities has been sent home via ParentMail, thank you to everyone who has responded to any messages that have gone home.





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Fifty children from years 3 and 4 enjoyed a fantastic, magical time at Boggle Hole last week. The children set off from St. Cuthbert's on Wednesday morning and enjoyed a walk around Saltburn, a play in the park and a jump in the stream on their way to Boggle Hole. We had some fantastic estimates of home many steps they climbed at Saltburn with general agreement that they climbed loads! There were lots of excited children as we arrived at Boggle Hole hostel and the children loved exploring the buildings and getting settled. The second day was wet and windy but no one let the weather get in the way of their enjoyment exploring the beach and finding all sorts of creatures including a very impressive crab! During the afternoon the children walked to the beautful Robin Hood Bay and almost emptied the shop of sweets before returning to Boggle Hole and enjoying a pirate party, games and a movie. Our last day began with birthday celebrations and continued with a surprise visit to Mini Monsterz soft play in Whitby on the way home. All the children had a brilliant time during their trip and they all returned back to St. Cuthbert's tired, mucky and very happy (3) Thank you to all the staff from St. Cuthbert's who gave up their time to make sure all the children had a brilliant time and for looking after every single child as wonderfully as they always do. Thank you also to Kevin from Explore4all for helping making the trip so memorable for all the children. A video of the trip is on the school website for everyone to see what a great time the children had,

https://www.stcuthbertsrcprimary.co.uk/website/residential_trips/364287



We are delighted to be taking over another park run! Our next run will be on Sunday 24th March at the usual time of 9.00am. The run takes place on the promenade at Whitley Bay, meeting outside the Rendezvous Cafe. Children will need a bar code to run but accompanying adults do not. Mrs Massie will be holding 2 drop in bar code printing sessions at school again on Monday 18th March 8.30am-9.30am and Wednesday 20th March 3.30pm-4.30pm. If you have a bar code from last run you can use it again for this run. We have had a fantastic turn out in the past and we are hoping for even more St. Cuthbert's families running this time.



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Thank you to everyone who is using Easyfundraising. <u>We now have 73 supporters and have</u> <u>raised £467.42 so far</u>. There are no catches to using the site, you don't need to share bank or payment details, just sign up and choose to support St. Cuthbert's. all you then need to do is search for your chosen store or seller on the easyfundraising site and do your online shopping as normal. If you are booking a holiday, buying any insurance, changing internet suppliers, mobile phone providers etc. online, and do so through the site they make quite big donations to school! It's really easy to get set up and running, all you need to do is:

1. Head to https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stcuthbertsrcprimary/and join for free.

2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.

3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to St. Cuthbert's at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and we would be really grateful for your support and donations which will go towards all our children.

If you haven't joined our school lottery yet it is really easy and gives you a chance of winning our school jackpot each week and gives you an entry to a much bigger weekly jackpot. All profits from the lottery go towards helping us



St Cuthbert's R.C. Primary School

North Shields, Tyne and Wear Next draw will take place on Sat 24 November 2018 Vext draw in 0 day 6 hours 14 minutes

make sure our children continue to have the fantastic opportunities they get every week at St. Cuthbert's. Our weekly prize currently stands at £19.80, you will also be entered into a national school lottery for £25,000 draw each week. You can sign up at

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/st-cuthberts-rc-primary-school/supporter

If you think you could be entitled to free school meals and milk for your child it's really easy to apply via the council's website <u>https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/238/free-school-</u>

<u>meals</u>. You may be entitled if you are in receipt of income support/job seekers allowance/support under the immigration and asylum act/Universal credit/child tax credit without working tax credit. Even if you are unsure it is worth applying to make sure you are not missing out. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to free meals at school but you must make an application for this. It's really easy to do via the council

website https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/238/free-school-meals

It is very important that all our children are signed up for Universal Free School Meals, even if your child prefers a packed lunch. If you have any questions about school meals at all please call into the school office.



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Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) drop-in sessions at St Cuthbert's.

Miss Shepherd, our SEND coordinator would like to invite parents and carers to drop in sessions on the morning of the first Wednesday of every month should you have any concerns or questions to answer about any issue relating to SEND.

Partnership with parents

As stated in our SEND policy:



"Partnership plays a key role in enabling children and young people with SEND to achieve their potential. Parents hold key information and have knowledge and experience to contribute to the shared view of a child's needs. All parents/carers of children with special educational needs will be treated as partners and be given support to play an active and valued role in their child's education.

Children and young people with special educational needs often have a unique knowledge of their own needs and their views about what sort of help they would like. They will be encouraged to contribute to the assessment of their needs, the review and transition process.

The school website contains details of our policy for special educational needs and the local offer that includes the provision made for children with SEND. At all stages of the special needs process, the school keeps parents fully informed and involved. We take account of the wishes, feelings and knowledge of parents at all stages".

For further information and other support services for children with SEND: * North Tyneside Local Offer - This details all support services available in North Tyneside * SENDIASS@northtyneside.gov.uk -The Special Educational Needs and Disability Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS) provide advice and information to young people, and parents whose children have Special Educational Needs.



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Below are the main dates for the rest of this school term. This list will grow as we confirm arrangements for Masses, trips, celebrations with other schools and many other events we get involved with over the coming months. As always, we will keep the list as up to date as we can and let you know of any changes as soon as possible.

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Monday 11 th - Friday 15 th March	All week	Science Week: range of events, workshops and exciting experiments and magic all week.	School
Wednesday 13th March	Morning	Year 2 at Centre for Life	Centre For Life
Wednesday 13th March	Evening	St. Cuthbert's choir performing at Whitley Bay Playhouse	Whitley Bay Playhouse
Thursday 14 th March	Afternoon	Year 4 at Hancock Museum	Hancock Museum
Wednesday 20th March	All day	St. Cuthbert's Day	
Wednesday 20th March		Year 5 at St. Thomas More skipping festival	St. Thomas More
Friday 22 nd March	Afternoon	Year 5/ 6 hockey team at The Parks	The Parks Leisure Centre
Sunday 24 th March	9am	Whitley Bay Park Run	Whitley Bay Links
Thursday 28 th March	All day	Mother Language Day @ St. Cuthbert's	School
Friday 29 th March		Mother's Day Assembly	School
Tuesday 2 nd April	Afternoon	Easter Passion at Northumberland Square	Northumberland Square
Wednesday 3 rd April	9.30am	Whole school Mass at St. Cuthbert's Church	St. Cuthbert's Church
Thursday 4 th April	Morning	Girls Football team at Northumbria University	Northumbria University
Thursday 4 th April	afternoon	EYFS & Key Stage 1 Easter Play	School
Friday 5 th April	All day	Staff training day with North Tyneside Catholic Schools	

Thank you for your continued support, Shaun Dillon