



St Cuthbert Mayne Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 26 Week ending 4th May 2018

Believe
you can
achieve!

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have been focusing on the school value of happiness. Children have been ensuring that they do what they can to help others to be happy at school. We have also discussed strategies to help them when they are unhappy including key adults to go to for support. Children are continuing to use the Wishes and Worries boxes which are in their classrooms, which are checked daily by their teachers.

During my visits to classrooms this week, I have continued to see great learning. Well done everyone! Reception been creating rocket balloons which have sped across their classroom. Across the school children have been involved in a variety of ICT including learning how to use software, through to support learning across the curriculum. Year Four have been researching Greek Gods whilst Year Two have been learning to use mind maps to organise their information. Well done to Year One for dividing numbers and explaining their reasoning. Year Three and Year Five have been learning about Pentecost in their RE lessons; Year Three have created paper windmills which contained words which described their thoughts and feelings about Pentecost. Thank you to Gaby who shared with me the following words; faith, energy, hope and respect. I have also seen excellent examples of collaboration, where children have helped each other in their learning. Well done especially to Iris for helping so many of her friends with their windmills. In Year Five I saw excellent learning when the children used a conscience alley to answer the following question 'To be or not to be a disciple?' Great ideas from everyone and a supportive learning environment where children were evaluating and valuing each others ideas. Well done especially to Victoria who expressed her ideas brilliantly and was able to consider all ideas given to make her decision. Well done to Year Six for continuing to show such focus and determination as you prepare for your end of Key Stage Two Assessments. Thank you for parents for continuing to support them with this preparation and well done to Mrs Bacon for ensuring that they have access to a broad, balanced and fun curriculum during this time!



Listening to Jesus John 15:1-8

5 "I am the vine; you are the branches".

This week our liturgies have focused on spreading happiness throughout the lives of others. I have also seen lots of great examples of this across the school both during learning and playtimes.



Playground update

Great to have some opportunity to get out in the sunshine this week. Well done to all the children for playing so brilliantly together.

Next week the skip will arrive and Mr Grady will begin to prepare the playground for the build to begin on 21st May.



Reception St David's Class Trip to Dapdune Wharf

St David's Class had a lovely trip to Dapdune Wharf this week, despite the rainy weather! We had a go at pond dipping and caught lots of interesting creatures including mayfly nymphs and pea mussels.

Whilst half the class were getting drenched pond dipping, the other half were enjoy a scenic trip down the river in a covered boat. After a snack break to dry off, the groups swapped and enjoyed the activities. Thankfully lunch was in the big shed so we could all dry out.

Much to everyone's excitement the sun came out in the afternoon and it was the perfect weather for bug hunting!

As a final treat we got to look around an old barge and see the different types of cargo they used to haul.

Thank you to all the parents and carers that came on the trip with us - we had a lovely time!



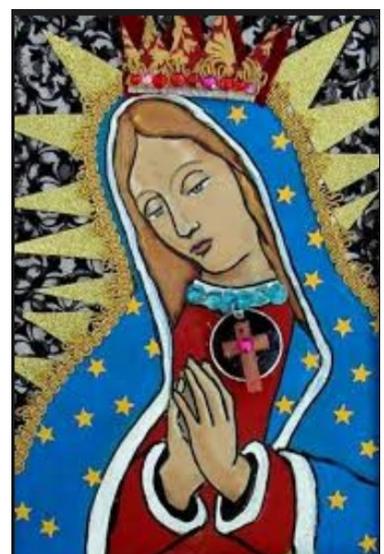
Art competition to celebrate the May the Month of Mary

Portraits of Mary

Closing date Monday 14th May

Entries can be as big or small as your like.
They can be multi media or they could be
paintings, photographs of an environmen-
tal sculpture, construction or drawings.
The possibilities are endless!

Entry donation fee:£1 all profits to Missio



Journey in Love

This week the children have been following the Journey in Love programme, please talk to your child about their learning and also remember to look at the powerpoints on our website to inform you of their learning.

Safeguarding

Training for those volunteers who have not attended training this year:

Tuesday 8th May from 1.15pm until 2.45pm.

If you are a volunteer in the school who has already had a DBS check but has not attended Safeguarding Induction Training this academic year, then please contact the school office to confirm your attendance.

Please ensure that you inform the school office if there is a change to a child's collection arrangement and that you have updated the school office of any changes to the list of people who can collect your child. As your children develop their independence, more and more children are going home with different families and some parents have asked for permission for children to walk home together, without an adult collecting them. Please make sure that you inform the school office in writing if your child is going home with any adult that is not their own parent. If you would like your child to walk home without an adult collecting them, you must give written permission for this. If you have regular collection arrangements in place, one letter or email to confirm these arrangements will be fine. If the school hasn't been informed of different collection arrangements, we will be unable to let your child go home with a different adult. This policy is in place to ensure that all children are kept safe. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Admissions 2018

Offers for school places for Reception 2018 entry have now been sent out and we look forward to welcoming these new children to our school community.

Late applications may still be considered. Please contact the school office for further information.

Please note that we also have school places available for September 2018 in some year groups, although places are filling up and we have a waiting list in some year groups.

Diary Dates

MAY

7th BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY. NO SCHOOL

8th 1.15-2.45pm Safeguarding training for school volunteers

8th 2.45pm Year 4 Collective worship –Parents invited

14th Closing date for entries to Images of Mary art competition

w/c 14th Year 6 End of Key Stage Two assessment week

w/c 21st Year 6 to CYE

21st Royal Wedding Celebration and non-school uniform (children to wear red, white and blue)

22nd 2.45pm Year 1 Collective worship –Parents invited

JUNE

5th 2.45pm Year 3 Collective worship Parents invited (please note change of date).

6th Year One and Two trip to Shoreham Lifeboat Centre

10th Summer Fayre

11th 2.45pm Year 2 Collective worship –Parents invited

12th Key Stage Two Sports Morning

18th –22nd Arts' Week (parent volunteers needed).

19th 2.45pm Year 5 Collective worship –Parents invited

20th Year 6 to Good Shepherd Mass at Worth Abbey

26th Key Stage One and EYFS Sports' morning

29th 10am Mass for St Peter and Paul

JULY

2nd 2.45pm EYFS Collective worship –Parents invited

5th Last swimming lesson Year 2

8th Year 3 Class Mass

10th District Sports

12th Transition morning all year groups

12th 3.30-6.00pm Open evening and celebration of pupil learning

13th Parent Forum 6

15th Bikehana

16th Annual Reports to Parents

16th-19th Year 6 Bikeability

19th 1.30pm Leaver's Mass

20th Last Day of Summer Term 2pm finish

20th 12.30-2.00pm Whole school end of term picnic (weather dependent)

21st INSET DAY 5 School closed to children

Staffing update

At the end of this academic year we will be saying goodbye to Mr Kemp to enable him to spend more time with his family. He has promised that he will stay in touch! I would like to thank him for his twelve years of service to the school as class teacher and also for his leadership of PE and Sport.

I am delighted to welcome Mrs Singleton to our staff team as class teacher and Sport and P.E. Leader.

As in previous years, parents and children will be notified of their class teachers for September in July to enable them to prepare for their next academic year.

AMAZING ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for w.e. 04.05.18

Class	%
Reception	100%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	98.6%
Year 4	97.6%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	100%
Whole School	99.4%

School Target 96.5%

Well done to Reception, Years 1, 2, 5, and 6 for achieving 100% attendance last week!

In Y2 and Y5 no children arrived late.

Wishing you all a lovely bank holiday weekend. Let's hope the sun keeps shining!

Best wishes,