



St Cuthbert Mayne Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 14 Week ending 15.12.17

Believe
you can
achieve!

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have had Nativities, fire engines, parties and Christmas lunches. Thank you to Father Christmas who paid us a surprise visit during our Christmas parties today, despite his busy schedule! It has also been lovely to meet so many extended family and friends who have joined us to celebrate the Nativities. Some, like Vincent and Emma's grandparents who traveled 6,881 to join us. Well done to Vincent for finding this out!

We are also delighted that the friendship benches which the children have raised money for have arrived. They will take pride of place on our playground from January and enable children to find a friend at playtimes.

We have so much to celebrate at the end of this term, as special well done to Reception St David's Class, who have completed their first term at school.

As this is the final newsletter of the term, I would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a wonderful Christmas with your wonderful children. On behalf of the staff team I would like to thank you all for our many gifts and cards. We look forward to welcoming to seeing the children on Monday and Tuesday next week and then welcoming them back on Thursday 4th January 2018.

School choir

Well done to our school choir who sang so brilliantly on Wednesday at the Rotary Christmas concert and also well done for visiting the residents of Cedar Court today when you shared your beautiful singing with them.

Thank you for singing to us in assembly, it was beautiful! Well done to Miss Longmire for supporting and leading the children in the choir.

Parent Governor Elections.

The nominations for this are now closed. As we have received more nominations than there are vacancies currently on the Governing Body, we will be going to a ballot in January. Further information will follow regarding this process.

Second week of Advent brings us love

In our liturgies this week we have thought about our School Value of Love. We have heard about John the Baptist, who as the last prophet prepared the way for Jesus.

Key Stage Two Nativity

Well done to all our Key Stage Two children for your amazing presentation of Shepherd Boy. Your singing, dancing and acting was amazing. Well done to Year 6 for writing your parts to accompany the narration and then for acting them out so brilliantly. Thank you to Mrs Bacon and the Key Stage Two team for rehearsing the children and leading them in their presentation.



Christmas lunch

Thank you to our amazing kitchen team led by Mrs Wilmhurst. On Thursday, staff and children were treated to an amazing Christmas lunch. We are lucky in our school to have such excellent lunches cooked and prepared for the children.



Christmas Tree Festival Update

We were runners up! Thank you to everyone who voted for us. Next year we would like to win!

Firefighters arrive in school

Years 1 and 2 were visited by firefighters from Cranleigh Fire Station on Thursday, as part of their learning about the Great Fire of London. The firemen were very impressed with how much the children knew about the Great Fire and how it was put out. The firemen taught us what to do if we find a fire and how to call 999. When it stopped raining we recreated the Great Fire by setting our street of Tudor houses alight in the playground. Luckily the fireman, helped by Arthur, were able to safely put it out.



Open Morning Friday 5th January 2018

Due to demand we will be holding an additional Open Morning date on Friday 8th January, due to many parents contacting us to visit the school. If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2018, or know of other families who would like to send their children to St Cuthbert Mayne, then please ask them to make an appointment to join us on this day.

Reception Admissions 2018

Please can I encourage all parents to spread the word. If you know of any families that are considering joining our school community but who have not been able to visit, then please can you invite them to make an appointment via the school office for a school tour.

All schools have been asked by Surrey Admissions to help them reduce the number of late applications by reminding parents that the closing date for applications for September 2018 is 15th January 2018. Please see the message below from the Surrey Admissions' Team.

“We encourage online applications, however parents can also request a paper application form or seek impartial help in completing an application via the Surrey Schools & Childcare Service (0300 200 1004). Full information is available on Surrey's website at www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

Applications received after the closing date without good reason will be treated as late and will not be considered until all on time applications have been processed. This may jeopardise the chance of a parent being offered one of their preferred schools for their child.”

Goodbye

At the end of this term we say goodbye and best wishes to Mrs Berry, as she leaves to enjoy more time with her two grandchild. We thank her for her huge contribution to our school over the last 22 years in her role as Teaching Assistant.

Goodbye also to Mrs Deacon, who leaves us to pursue a career as a Secondary School teacher. Thank you for all your hard work.

St Cuthbert Mayne's Got Talent 2017

Organised by the School Council

School Council are organising this year's competition.

Rules:

Heats in classes to be judged by whole class.

3 best entries to go through to the final which will be held on:

Tuesday 19th December 9.30-11am

Performers to set up from 9.00am

(Sorry but parents are not invited to attend this event.)

Diary Dates

DECEMBER

18th 1.45pm Advent Mass

19th 9.30am St Cuthbert Mayne Has Talent

19th 2pm End of Term

20th INSET Day (Teaching and Learning)

JANUARY

3rd INSET Day (Online E- Safety Training)

4th 8.40 am Start of the Spring Term children return to school

5th 9.30am—11am Open Morning for prospective parents 2018 intake.

8th 2.45pm Year Three curriculum meeting

9th 2.45pm Year One curriculum meeting

10th 9.00am Year Five curriculum meeting

11th 9.00am Year Four curriculum meeting

12th 2.45pm Year 6 and Reception class curriculum meeting

15th 2.45pm Year Two curriculum meeting

FEBRUARY

8th 2pm Parent Forum 3

9th INSET Day (Maths)

Attendance figures for 15.12.17

School Target
96.5%

Well done to Y4 for
the highest
Attendance

Class	%
Reception	97.7%
Year 1	97.2%
Year 2	98.7%
Year 3	92.5%
Year 4	99.1%
Year 5	97.3%
Year 6	96.9%
Whole School	97.0%

Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas break



Mrs Natalie McCarthy

Headteacher