



# St Cuthbert Mayne Catholic Primary School



Welcome back to the Summer Term in Year 2

Mrs Warwick and Ms Halahan are enjoying working with your children and appreciated you taking the time to come and talk to them during the recent parent evenings. Ms Halahan will be working on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and Mrs Warwick will be working on Thursday and Friday this term.

## Statutory Assessment Tests

These will take place during the month of May and children will be taken out of class in small groups to complete the assessments. We intend to keep this assessment low key so that children are not unduly stressed by the process. Alongside the tests, we will continue to collect evidence of progress, to inform the teacher judgements, which form part of the overall assessment at the end of Key Stage 1.

## School uniform

Please ensure that you follow the school uniform policy and that all items of uniform are clearly labelled, including all PE kit and swimming kit.

## PE

This term we will have 2 PE sessions on Tuesday and Friday for the first week of term only. The pattern will then change, as we will be taking the children swimming every Thursday afternoon for 10 weeks, instead of the PE session on a Tuesday. The first swimming session will be on 26<sup>th</sup> April. Please ensure your child brings their swimwear to school every Thursday.

We will then revert back to having PE on Tuesdays from the week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> July. PE sessions with Planet Soccer on a Friday morning will take place throughout the term. We ask that no earrings, watches or other jewellery are worn during PE.

## Water

We are encouraging the children to drink of plenty of water. Please could each child bring a named water bottle which will be kept in class to school each day ensuring that the children have access to water all day.

## Pencil cases

Children do not need to bring any pens or pencils into school. Any equipment needed will be provided.

## Home learning

Homework will be set on a Friday, to be handed in by the following Friday. Children should spend no longer than 20 minutes on their homework. If your child is unable to complete the homework please send in a letter to explain why. Each term we will send home a Homework grid. ONE of these tasks needs to be completed each half term and brought in to school on the date shown. In addition, children should access the activities on My Maths that are linked to their learning in class.

The children should read their school book to an adult every night for approximately 10 minutes. Please fill in your child's Reading Record.

## Reading

Please ensure that children have their reading book in school with them each day. If your child needs to change their book they can do this at the beginning of the school day. Mrs Warwick, Ms Halahan or Mrs Dunk can assist children with choosing their book if needed. The children will have the opportunity to use the school and class libraries each week.

**Parent help**

We always appreciate help with hearing the children read and with group work in class. In addition, there may be occasions when we would appreciate some additional help for practical activities or something special. If you are able to help on occasions and do not have a school DBS check, please arrange this with the School Office.

**Communication**

Please come and speak to Mrs Warwick or Ms Halahan at the end of the school day if you have any concerns. We will always come and speak to you, or contact you by phone if we have any concerns about your child.

**NO toys or expensive items for afterschool clubs e.g. IPADS are to be left in children's bags. They must be given to the teacher.**