



St. CUTHBERT'S Catholic Primary School (NC)



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Dear Parents,

A very good afternoon to you all. I hope that you are recovering from the excitement of the football world cup and that you are looking forward to the weekend. We have, only, 1 week to go before we break up for the summer holiday – I just cannot believe it – there is still so much to do!

Thank you to all parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts and older siblings who came to watch the Ks1, Ks2 or Nursery Sports. In the burning heat you turned up and cheered the children on; amazing. Thank you very much for your support – it is always appreciated.

On Monday 2nd July our new Prayer Garden was formally opened by Counsellor Yvonne Mosquito. It was a wonderful event that involved children, staff, special guests and parents from the community. Mrs Parkes prepared the most amazing afternoon tea and a great time was had by all. We hope to use this garden in many different ways – for years to come.

Our next fundraising project to get stuck into is new playground equipment for KS1 and Nursery – so watch this space!

Year 4, 5 and 6 presented their final Brass assembly of the year on Wednesday afternoon and the head of the music service came to watch. He was very impressed.

Our Brass Ensemble Group also had the opportunity to play in the foyer of the Symphony Hall last night. I thought I could go but I forgot I had Governors last night (please don't tell them!). Congratulations to all the children who took part. Well done to in Year 5, Owen, Saule, Connie, Jennea, Amelia, Kaamil, Shaun, Sienna, Michael and Alexsa and in Year 6, Karl, Mia, Jerome, Gabriel, Hannah and Laura-Mae.

Well done to the St Cuthbert's Netball Team who played St Wilfrid's on Tuesday and won both games – an excellent performance!

Attendance and Punctuality





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Attendance since September with Reception is 95.67% and without Reception is 93.89% - this attendance percentage is well below the governmental standard and most of it is because of in term holidays.

The Governors are now going to look at fining families for in term holidays and I am supporting this decision because I don't see why the school should suffer because of in year holiday. 94% is not good enough and OFSTED would criticise the school heavily for this attendance.

Lates

Reception 7, Year 1 – 8, Year 2 – 15, Year 3 – 8, Year 4 – 6, Year 5 – 12, Year 6 -0.

Once again I remind you that you are responsible for getting your children to school on time and that in a week there really shouldn't be many children coming in after the register closes.

As you can see Attendance and Punctuality is something I am going to be working on next year and close attention and focus will be paid on children who are persistently absent or consistently late.

Final week of term:

Monday 16th July – Reports will be given out. Please collect your child's report from their class teacher at home time.

Tuesday 17th July – Year 6 Production – the Year 6 are presenting their wonderful final play for parents and relatives on Tuesday 17th July at 2:00pm. You are welcome to bring aunts and uncles etc and I know you will be incredibly proud of them.

Wednesday 18th July – Leavers Assembly 9:15am. I am incredibly sorry for the confusion, I am holding the leavers assembly on Wednesday morning; this is where I talk about each child, we look back with photographs and songs and I present all the Year 6's with a leaving gift. Get your tissues ready!

Thursday 19th July – Outdoor Disco. The school council have asked for one more disco to end the year with. The children can bring a change of clothes for the afternoon and there is no charge for the





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disco. There will be drinks and snacks for sale so if you are happy then please give your children a little bit of money to spend.

Thursday 19th July – Final Nursery session for afternoon Nursery children.

Friday 20th July – Mass. We will present the final Mass of the school year at 9:15am, everyone is well.

School finishes at 2:00pm for all children on Friday 20th July.

We will be putting out any lost or spare uniform that we have collected in the last few months on Monday afternoon in the Junior Playground. Please do come and have a look for any lost items of uniform, or come and take some that you may need for next year.

Finally, can all parents ensure that medicines are picked up and taken home next week because if we are left with any we will destroy them – many thanks.+

If you have any concerns and enquiries please do not hesitate to come in – I am at present committed to a lot of meetings and reports so may not be available to see you but Mrs Hodson and Mr Wilson are always happy to help.

I wish you all a very peaceful weekend,

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Hobbs

