



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Easter and welcome back to the Summer term at St Cuthbert's. We are 'cautiously optimistic' that as Covid rates continue to drop and the vaccination programme increases then we will gradually return to some kind of normality. As usual, the children have returned to school with smiles and positivity and are working hard.

Mental Health focus in school

Our Assemblies and wellbeing sessions in class over the next 10 weeks will focus on The GREAT DREAM - Giving, Relating, Exercise, Awareness, Trying new things, Direction, Resilience, Emotions, Acceptance and Meaning. These are all the things St Cuthberts follow to give children and staff strategies to look after their minds and bodies. It is especially important at this time. We hope our children (and you) at home will use these strategies to improve your personal wellbeing and mental health.

See www.actionforhappiness.org

We will be having two 'try something new' days in May - details to follow.

Educational visits

We are hopeful that all our classes will be able to enjoy a visit or visitor during the summer term linked to their curriculum. Visits outside are deemed safe and it enriches the curriculum for children to 'experience' their classroom learning. Class details will follow.

Parents Evening

We are conducting our parents evening via teams using your child's Teams account on 24th and 25th May. All parents will receive an appointment but this could be via a telephone call if you would prefer.

Class Assemblies

All classes will be recording a class assembly in June for parents to watch via Seesaw (as at Christmas) your class teacher will let you know when this is available following half term.





First Holy Communions

Y4 pupils and those who have not yet made their first communion have the opportunity to take the sacrament this year. Forms are available at St Patrick's, St Mary's and St Joseph's churches. Please see Father Michael for more details. Your child must be baptised to take this Sacrament.

Bishop Hogarth Catholic Trust

As you are aware the school became an academy and part of the trust on March 1st 20201. This has provided the opportunity to share good practice and good teaching across the trust and has been a very positive move for the school. We are also working closely with the local authority and are part of both communities.

Y6 Residential

A reminder to Y6 parents to try and pay £5 or £10 per week towards the cost of the residential which will hopefully take place in July (restrictions allowing) day trips are planned if the stay cannot go ahead. Payments are due in by end of May. Please see Mrs. Wilson if you have any questions.

Water bottles

Please ensure your child has a labelled water bottle in school - especially as the weather becomes warmer. Water aids concentration and we have water stations available here where the children can refill their bottles daily. Thank you

Holidays in school time

A reminder that I am unable to authorise holidays in school time and would encourage parents to book holidays in the given days especially given the disruption to learning that has already occurred this year. All holiday dates are available on the website www.stcuthbertsschool.org.uk

Thank you for your continued support of the school and commitment to the safety requirements. It is much appreciated to keep us all safe

Kind regards

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