# St Cuthbert's CofE Junior School

# **Newsletter**

# 13/05/25

Well the sun has finally made an appearance and everyone is enjoying playing in the sunshine. We have a very busy summer term with lots of different events happening. I have included diary dates at the end of the newsletter to help you plan over the next few weeks.

### Increase in breakfast club prices

It is with regret I have to inform you that we will be raising the cost of breakfast club from September. We have resisted increasing the price over the last few months but unfortunately it is now unavoidable.

From September, the cost of breakfast club will be £5.00 per day. We have kept it very low for a long time but the increasing cost of food has resulted in us running this at a loss.

Breakfast club can be booked through the school office or Parentmail. Even at £5.00 a day, it is still very good value for money.

#### **Fundraising Achievements**

We have some quite incredible children at our school! Adam has raised £63.00 for school by asking for sponsorship for cycling around the BMX track and completing 30 laps. He did this as part of the final challenge to achieve his Blacknum badge. We think Adam is a superstar!

Adam is not the only person who is working hard to achieve their Blacknum badge. Beatrice has thought about organising a raffle in school. She has worked hard with her parents, organising raffle prizes from



local businesses and shops. Beatrice would like to ask if any of our kind parents have any raffle prizes that they could donate. If you have any donations, please leave them at the school office.

Beatrice aims to hold the raffle on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June. We will send out more information about what the prizes are and how much the raffle tickets will be.



## **VE Day**

We had a wonderful week last week celebrating VE Day. The children learned lots of new facts about what VE day was all about. The whole school respected the one minute silence on 8<sup>th</sup> May and the children demonstrated a good understanding of what the meaning of this was.

We finished off the week with a lovely VE Day assembly. We sang a lot of wartime songs but the definite favourite of the children was Run Rabbit Run. As ever, the band were a wonderful accompaniment when the children sang the Vera Lynn classic The White Cliffs of Dover.

#### **Space Adventures!**

We are very lucky indeed to have a visitor in school on 20<sup>th</sup> May from the European Space Agency. Earth and space is an area of learning that Year 5 and 6 have been covering in science this term. Our visitor will bring a telescope with filters to allow the children to look at the sun as well as about 20 pairs of glasses through which the children can look too. He will take assembly for the whole school to talk about all things to do with space and even demonstrate a couple of experiments to the children.

## **Space Explorer Dome**

In addition to this, we are very excited about having a Space Dome in school on June 9th. Children from all year groups will be able to enter the dome and explore the sun, planets and dwarf planets in our solar system, and find out what happens to stars at the end of their lives. They will also be able to go star-spotting to discover the constellations as they



appear in the sky and discover the stories behind them through the gods and heroes, myths and monsters from Ancient Greece.

The cost of this is going to be heavily subsidised by school. We will be asking for a donation of £4.00, payable on ParentMail, to support us in giving our children these fantastic opportunities. I will let you know when payments are open.

#### **Outdoor Adventure Week**

On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June we will start our outdoor adventure week. Children will need to be in PE kit for the full week. Please make sure they have suitable trainers as they will be doing a range of different physical activities over the week.

This year, alongside our usual activities such as archery, climbing wall and caving, we have some new activities for the children to try. They will have the opportunity to take part in den building in the woods, a 'minefield' activity and we are having a 'wheels' day where children can bring in their skateboard, scooter or bike. If the children want to take part in 'wheels' day, they <u>MUST</u> bring a crash helmet into school with them. Without a helmet, they will not be able to participate.

Children in Year 5 and 6 will be having their wheels day on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June and Year 3 and 4 have their wheels day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June. Children will bring their wheels onto the playground only on their allocated day and store them under the shelter next to the farm area.

# **Sports Day**

At the end of outdoor adventure week on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June, we will be having our sports day. This will start at 9.30am on the school field. Parents are very welcome to come and watch. We will put some benches and chairs out to sit on but please feel free to bring your own chair if you wish. Hopefully the sun will shine for us for during this week.

Date for the Diary	
Date	Event
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Rockies Sports Festival @ The Blue School
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Astronomer visit – whole school
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Alps Sports Festival @ The Blue School
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 6 Height and Measures
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Class photos & year 6 leavers individual photos
26 to 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Return to School
2 <sup>nd</sup> to 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Adventure Week
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Space Explorer Dome - whole school
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Moving up Celebrations year 6 Wells Cathedral
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Glastonbury Weekend INSET days
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Move up day
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 play 6.30 pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 <b>ONLY</b> – Super Soaker afternoon
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly at school @ 9am
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Talent Show – pupils only
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's service at St Cuthbert's Church @ 2pm
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Break up for Summer