



# St Cuthbert's CofE Junior School



## Newsletter

02/10/25

### Harvest Assembly



Our Harvest Assembly will take place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am. Everyone is welcome to join us to celebrate. We usually ask for donations of food for the assembly which we take to Wells Vineyard Foodbank. This then gets distributed to our local community in Wells.

There are certain products that the foodbank is in desperate need of so if you are in a position to donate anything for our Harvest assembly, could I ask for items such as washing pods, toilet rolls, tinned meat and meals, cereals and tea/coffee. The children can bring these items in on the day of the assembly or you can leave them at school reception at any time.

Our parents are always so charitable and I know that many people across Wells benefit from your generosity. Thank you!

### Pumpkin Raffle

You will have noticed our most amazing farm area where Mrs Johnson and some of the children plant fruit and vegetables and learn all about how plants grow.

Every year, we harvest the pumpkins that the children grow and raffle them.

Tickets will be 50p each and can be bought from Upper School children at 1st play (from outside Alps Class). We will be raising money for books. Tickets will be on sale from Tuesday 30th. The draw will be held on 22nd October. Good luck!



### Parents Evening Reminder

We have set the dates for parent meetings this year for Monday 20th October and Thursday 23rd October. This will give parents the opportunity to speak to school staff about how their children have settled into their new class and to see the work they have been doing.

**Please be aware that Mrs Sambles will be arranging appointments for Tuesday and Thursday because she does not work on Monday.**

### **School Photographs**

Make sure your hair is brushed, your clothes are smart and bring out your best smile for the School Photographs on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October. If this is your child's PE day, we are happy for them to change in school if you want to send them in their uniform.



### **Festival of Literature**

Year 5 and 6 are to visit Cedars Hall for the Festival of Literature. Sam Sedgman, author of The Clockwork Conspiracy and The Forbidden Atlas will be speaking to the children. Sam will be happy to answer questions from the audience and this will be followed by a book signing when the children can purchase heavily discounted titles. If children wish to buy any of the books, please send money in with them in a purse or bag with your

This is a real celebration of literature and books which I know the children will thoroughly enjoy.

### **East Somerset Railway**

Year 5 and 6 classes will be visiting East Somerset Railway over the coming weeks to learn about evacuees as part of their learning about World War 2. Himalayas class visited yesterday and thoroughly enjoyed themselves, learning lots of information about evacuees during the war.

As ever, the cost of external visits continues to rise. School has heavily subsidised this visit in addition to our lovely children having cake sales to raise money to further reduce the cost that parents will need to pay.

If you haven't yet paid for this visit, please do so on Parentmail or speak to Helen Singleton in the school office.

### **Mill on the Brue Parent meeting**

If your child is currently in Year 6 and is due to go to Mill on the Brue residential in November, we have a meeting on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October to answer any final questions and give a little more information.

We have arranged 2 meetings to give parents a little more choice over which would be easier to attend– 2.30pm and 5.00pm.

### **Tesco Blue Token Scheme**

Mrs Ramsay has organised for our school to be in the Tesco blue token scheme. Please look out in Tesco Wells and put in any blue tokens that you get at the checkout to support our school.

Our school will be in the blue token scheme from October so watch out for it and please support us.



### **Ethos Meeting**

As a church school, we have ethos meetings to bring together all parts of our school community to talk about different aspects of school.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 10.00am and will be led by our RE subject leader Roisin McKie. The discussion for this ethos meeting will be our new Relational Policy which will be replacing our Behaviour Policy. Everyone is welcome – parents, grandparents and family members! If you are interested in attending, please come inform the school office and come into school at 10am on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **Safeguarding**

St Cuthbert's Junior School is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Helen Mullinger (Head Teacher). Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads are Liz Ramsay, Frances Hazell and Lisa McLaurie. The Governor with responsibility for safeguarding in our school is Hazel Callaghan.

### **Reporting a concern**

If you are worried about a vulnerable child and would like to help, please don't stay silent. Contact Children's Social Care and report your concern.

Children's Social Care on 0300 123 2224

With many thanks for your continued support

Helen Mullinger  
Headteacher