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Friday Newsletter

Friday 24th November 2023



St. Cuthbert's
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
ONE FAMILY. ALL WELCOME

Dear Parents and Carers,

KS2 enjoyed their visit to Kendal Care Home



Firstly, I would like to thank you for continued support this week. We are extremely fortunate to have such a wonderful and supportive school community.

It has been a really busy week with lots of excitement and learning taking place. Teachers are finding time for Nativity rehearsals and we are observing the children's confidence grow every day.

For some of our younger Explorers, this will be the first time they have performed to an audience.

KS2 are performing at 14.00 on Monday 4th Dec and the Explorers on Tuesday 5th December at 14.00. Both performances will be in church.

Unlike many schools, we do not ticket or charge for our Christmas performances. However, we will be collecting donations towards the license fees, which we have needed to purchase.

We are very excited that our friends from Kendal Care Home will also be joining us for the performances too.

Ofsted visited us on Tuesday for their first monitoring visit and extended the inspection into a two day inspection, which we absolutely welcomed.

We will be able to share the report with you once it has been published. It is worth noting that myself, school leaders, Governors and the MAT are pleased with the outcome.

Ofsted praised school for the rapidity of the implementation of improvements since their last visit and have recognised and acknowledged the 100% commitment of my amazing team.

They were also very complimentary of our fantastic children and their exemplary behaviour and attitudes to learning. The Lead HMI informed me that she has never been at school before where they had received 100% positive feedback on staff and parental surveys. It makes me very proud to know how happy and contented our whole school community are. As you all know we have an open door policy at St. Cuthbert's and we will always make time for you.



Today KS2 have enjoyed a D&T day. Linked to our Through the Ages topic, KS2 have designed, created and evaluated their own Beaker Pots. The children showed real determination and perseverance with this difficult task.



Please remember to return any sold or unsold raffle tickets to the school office by Monday 27th November at the very latest. The raffle will be drawn at our Christmas fair, which is on Friday 1st December from 15.30. Please see posters for more information.

Thank you for your 'bottle' donation for the bottle tombola. The PFA are working very hard to make our Christmas fair the best one yet! We are welcoming donations of cakes etc for the event.

We will also be carol singing at Lakeland on Saturday 2nd December from 10am. Children are also invited and encouraged to join the Parish on Sunday 3rd December for their Carol Service at 15.00 in church. Thank you for your support.



Thank you for your donated shoe boxes of hope, which are now making their way to Romania. These boxes always make such a difference to so many children and we are always humbled with your generosity and kindness.

Detectives have been learning to tell the time



I hope you have a lovely weekend,

Take care,

Mrs Bone

Headteacher

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 29th Nov—Forest School KS1 only

Fri 1st Dec — PFA Christmas Fair—3.30pm

Sat 2nd Dec—Christmas Carols @ Lakeland

Mon 4th Dec—KS2 Xmas Performance @ 2pm

Tues 5th Dec—Explorers Xmas Nativity @ 2pm

Fri 15th Dec—NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUB due to Staff Training

Tues 19th Dec—School closes @ 2pm

Weds 3rd Dec—INSET Day

Thurs 4th Jan 2024—School opens @ 8.45am

