



## St. Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School

### Year 4 Summer Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

The summer is here at last! The Year 4 children worked tremendously hard during the Easter term and have returned with great enthusiasm and fantastic attitude towards learning!

This year, several of the children will make their First Holy Communion at St Cuthbert's R.C. Church on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024, 10am. All are welcome - we hope you enjoy every moment!

### English

In English, we will be exploring, planning and writing narratives. We will also be developing our knowledge of explanation writing. Children will also continue to develop knowledge and skills in spelling, spelling rules, reading comprehension, how to respond to different texts and speaking and listening skills.

### Maths

The children will continue to work on activities to develop their mathematical knowledge and understanding in 5 key areas:

- ✚ Numbers and the Number System
- ✚ Calculations
- ✚ Solving Problems
- ✚ Geometry
- ✚ Statistics

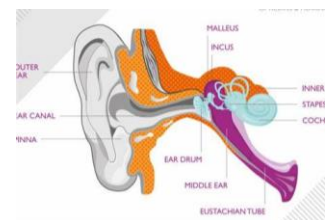


Where possible, the activities will link to real life scenarios. The children will also continue to further develop mathematical mastery skills and arithmetic knowledge.

In the coming months, we will be preparing for the **multiplication skills test**. Please encourage your child to spend time on TimeTables RockStars to support this preparation.

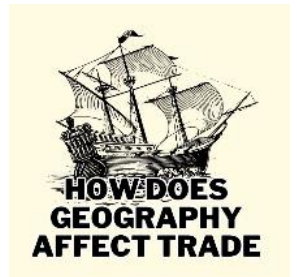
### Science

This term we will study sound which we will link to our English explanation writing. During this topic, the children will discover more about the human ears and how they work.



### Geography

We will be investigating resources and trade around the world and the impact it has on a variety of populations.



### History

In History, we will be looking into our 'local history' topic of the Kenton bunkers and the role they played in WW2. If you have any information about this subject – please feel free to share it with me.



### Physical Education

To enable children to participate fully in these sessions, please ensure that children have a complete kit, including trainers, with each item clearly labelled with their name. The children's PE session will be on a Tuesday and will develop rugby skills from The Falcons.

### Jewellery

Just a polite reminder that earrings should be small, simple studs with only one per ear. No bracelets or bangles to be worn in school. For hair accessories, only small hair ties are permitted. Finally, longer hair needs to be tied back out of the child's eyes.



### Religious Education

The topics for this term are:

- ✚ Pentecost
- ✚ Confirmation ✚ Baptism
- ✚ Universal Church
- ✚ Other religions



### Homework

- ❖ As you know, reading is very important. Please listen to your children read and encourage them to read as much as possible. Try to ensure that **1 adult signature is entered each week**. Children can record what they have read alone, in their reading diary too but must be detailed with what they have read.
- ❖ Children must have their reading diary every day and diaries will be monitored during group reading sessions
- ❖ **Reading Eggspress** is an excellent way to read in short bursts and answer comprehension questions. These questions mirror the questions on SAT papers in the future – a great way to prepare. Children have one assignment to complete a week and will be checked on **Wednesday**.

- ❖ Times tables and related division facts need to be learned for quick recall as soon as possible and will be tested on several afternoons. Please remember that **Timetables Rockstars** is a great way to practise this. The expectation on TTRS is at least 30 minutes a week.
- ❖ Spellings will be tested weekly on a **Wednesday**.
- ❖ If a child has not managed to achieve the expected outcomes, support will be offered during breaktimes.

If you have any questions or anything to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact me!

Many thanks and best wishes,

Miss Dembry and Miss Hagan.