



22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wow! What a fantastic start we've had to the new academic year!

### **School Uniform**

If any families wish to purchase any uniform items, please complete an order form (available on the school website) and return to the school office by **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November**.

### **Photographs**

We have scheduled the photographer to come into school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Unfortunately, because of COVID-19 restrictions, we are still not able to do sibling or family photographs this year.

### **Developing Future Leaders**

We have been hosting elections and campaigns over the last few weeks and have just appointed our new Student Council and Student Leaders (previously known as Head Girl and Head Boy). Congratulations to the children who were voted into these roles and well done to everyone who put themselves forward – it was a very close vote on all counts.

### **St Cuthbert's Football Teams**

Well done to our football teams who continue to do St Cuthbert's proud. The children are thoroughly enjoying playing football both at home and away and are proving to be fantastic ambassadors for our school.

### **PTFA**

We need your help! Our PTFA numbers are unavoidably dwindling because families are moving onto high schools and we have not been able to canvas for volunteers at whole school events like we have been able to do in the past. The PTFA do an absolutely brilliant job of fundraising for our school and as a result of their time and efforts, we have been able to buy a huge range of equipment for school and fund class trips and residential which we just wouldn't be able to afford without their help and fundraising.

The PTFA are looking for volunteers to help out with future fundraising from this year onwards. If anyone is interested in helping out in any way at all or would just like to chat or has any questions about the PTFA, please let the office know.

### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Mrs Stephenson who is retiring today from working as part of our wonderful office team. Mrs Stephenson has worked tirelessly and been an amazing support to school, especially during the last few extremely challenging years. She has been a highly valued member of our school team and she will be hugely missed by everyone. We wish her every health and happiness in her retirement.



If there is anything you would like to discuss or if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

I hope that you all enjoy a lovely half-term holiday.

Thank you for your continued support of St Cuthbert's; it is really very much appreciated by us all.

Best wishes,  
Mrs Bullerwell

**Attendance up until October half-term**

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
94.27%	95.23%	93.87%	98.02%	97.81%	97.20%	95.95%

99%-100% Excellent, 97%-98% Good, 93%-96% Satisfactory, 91%-92% Poor, 90% or below Very Poor

**Well done, Year 3! Best attendance so far!**

**Dates for your Diary November 2021 – December 2021**

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Parent/Carer Evening – All classes for those with siblings in school
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Flu Vaccinations for Reception - Y6
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Parent/Carer Evening – Nursery & KS1
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Parent/Carer Evening – KS2
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2021	Photographer in School – Class and Individual
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2021	Photographer in School for Nursery (yellow group) Class and Individual
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2021	Little Red Riding Hood Theatre Production
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Christmas Party Day
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Last Day of Term
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	School closes and will reopen for children on Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022

Please note that we do our best to adhere to the dates set in the diary however the above may be subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.