St Cuthbert's Catholic Academy

Kindness, Faith, Belonging
Newsletter – 17th of October 2025

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Dates for your diary

19th October - Harvest Mass at St Cuthbert's Church
22nd October 3.45PM - 4.45PM KS1 Spooky Disco
22nd October 5PM - 6PM KS2 Spooky Disco
24th October - 5.15 PM School closes for half term holiday
31st Oct - deadline for secondary applications
4th Nov - 7.45AM School Re-opens
21st November - Hoodie and Trainers Day for a chocolate donation
28th November - Own clothes day for a bottle donation
December 12th 1.30PM - 3.30PM Christmas Fair

BSWY Assembly

On Wednesday, **BSWY visited our school to deliver an inspiring assembly on "The Son of Encouragement,"** linking to our Jubilee/Pilgrims of Hope theme. The children listened to a Bible story about Barnabas and reflected on how we can show courage and encourage others. They also enjoyed joining in with a lively song about courage, helping to reinforce the message of kindness, support, and faith.

Did you know?
Barnabas' name was originally Joseph. It was the apostles who called him Barnabas which means "Son of encouragement". They called him this after learning that he had sold off all of his land and given all the proceeds to his community.

Harvest Family Mass

Thank you for all your generous harvest donations! Please join us for our **Harvest Family Mass at St Cuthbert's Church** this **Sunday 19th October at 10 a.m.** We look forward to celebrating together!

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights " - ***James 1:17***

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Golden Book

Leroy C because of his amazing effort with writing. Leroy has worked hard to independently unscramble sentences and write them out to the best of his ability.
Jan S because she is exceptionally polite and an fantastic role model in Year 1. Jan always does the right thing and I've noticed more participation and putting her hand up to answer questions during carpet time this week. Great effort Jan!
Renesmee C because she has been working hard and showing resilience when developing her handwriting. Her determination has meant she has nearly achieved her target of forming the around letters correctly. Keep up the great effort!
Mithra K because of her fantastic work ethic in class. She comes to school every day eager to learn and sets a good example for her peers. She is a great example to us all!
Bruno P because he's an enthusiastic learner and loves to help out when others need a friend. He's also a brilliant 'Bug Master' as our chief stick insect carer.
Olivia F is a gentle, thoughtful person who works hard and has brilliant ideas for writing. She's a great dancer and was wonderful volunteering to lead our collective worship. Well done!
Lucia C-K - Lucia is in the Golden Book for her great understanding of spelling and grammar. Super effort Lucia!
Louie A - Louie is in the Golden Book for his enthusiasm for science and his super understanding of the human digestive system. Great effort Louie!
Evie H is in the Golden Book for her sporting etiquette. She always tries her best, shows skill, but also can be humble in defeat. Well done Evie!
Emiah H is in the Golden book because she is a ray of sunshine in the classroom. Always smiling and being positive and gives that same positive attitude to others. Keep on smiling Emiah.
Lois C because she is a model pupil who always follows our school rules and sets a wonderful example for others. She takes her roles and responsibilities seriously and can always be relied upon. Well done Lois!
Lacey-Grace M because of her superb use of vocabulary. She has an impressive range of words that she can adapt and use across the curriculum. Lacey-Grace is always eager to share her thoughts and ideas in class. Well done!

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Tea and Talk

Mrs Franks would like to thank all the parents who attended the tea and talk morning on Tuesday. It was lovely to have a chat and learn more about you. **The next tea and talk will be on Thursday the 20th November 9am-11am.**

Creative Movement Festival

On Thursday, ten children from Year 6 had a fantastic visit to the Creative Movement Festival at Blackpool Sixth Form!

They were treated to a brilliant show performed by the sixth form students before taking part in a series of exciting workshops. Throughout the morning, the children acted, danced, and sang - all inspired by the theme of *Encanto*. They finished each workshop with a mini-performance, showcasing their amazing creativity and confidence!

St Cuthbert Art Competition

Thank you to everyone who took part in the St Cuthbert's Art Competition! The standard of entries was fantastic, and it was a very difficult decision to make. **Congratulations to Peggy L, Maja G, Angel G-E, Evie H, Bryany F, Tommy H, Ella F, Edrhic S, Bluebell W, Filip N, Maria H** whose artwork has been selected and will be displayed around the school.

Spooky Disco

The **Spooky Disco is next Wednesday** (Wednesday 22nd October) . The **disco for Y1,Y2 and Y3 is on at 3.45PM - 4.45PM** and the **disco for Y4,Y5 and Y6 is on at 5PM-6PM**. **Tickets cost £3** and will be available to **purchase at the office on Monday and Tuesday 8.45AM-9AM and 3PM-3.30PM.** Fancy dress is optional.

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October Half Term Holiday Club

Boathouse Youth would like to invite your child(ren) to attend their Holiday Club which is being **held at our sister school Christ the King Catholic Academy from Monday 27th to Thursday the 30th October over the half term holiday**. The club is open to children aged 4- 11 years old . Children attending will be provided with lunch and **the club is free for children in receipt of means tested free school meals.** Places will be offered on a first come first serve basis.

To register your child please use the link below:
thebhy.co.uk/holiday-activity-food

All places will be confirmed via email prior to the holiday club.

Lightpool Free Festival

Lightpool Festival offers a fantastic free Art Trail suitable for all ages. This self-guided tour over 18 nights, from **15 October - 1 November, will see outdoor spaces and iconic buildings transformed by spectacular light works between 6pm-10pm.**

"Medusae" (pictured left) **by artist Simon Clegg**

Nursery News

This week **the children have had a messy time, picking toy spiders from the Oobleck.**

To make this mix you just need to add cornflour to water. If you would like to add some colour to the mixture, you can add a few drops of food colouring.

What is Oobleck?

Oobleck is named after the sticky green substance featured in the Dr Seuss book "Bartholomew and the Oobleck".

Oobleck is an example of what is known as an "non Newtonian fluid". It can behave as either a liquid or a solid depending on the amount of pressure applied to it . Fascinating!