

St Cuthbert's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 9 February 2018

Message from the Headteacher

It has been an extremely short but busy half term with children making good progress. This half term we have begun working on raising the profile of reading, encouraging the children to read more and to talk about books they have read / favourite authors etc. The Year 5/6 children have questioned their parents about authors they enjoyed and their memories of reading stories with their parents.

Reading stories together regularly is such a special and memorable thing to do. Even though my eldest step daughter is about to turn 13 she still delights in us reading a chapter to each other at bedtime. I get quality time with her and I delight in the fact that she loves reading, books, words and story. I wonder how quickly her enthusiasm would wain without me doing this?

Spend time this half term talking about books, visiting the library or a bookshop, read together and relish the uninterrupted time. A photo of you reading together would be most welcome to display in our book nook!



Year 1 and 2 have completed their African masks with Miss Johnson and they are up on display in our entrance. Please feel free to come and have a look as the children have all created some wonderful designs.



This week we had leaders from the local Beavers, Cubs and Scouts to talk about the exciting adventures that children can take part in if they join. Please check book bags for a leaflet on the local organisations.

Diary Dates

Monday 19 February—return after half term

Wednesday 28 February—Parents Evening 3.40—8.00

Friday 2 March—Friends second hand book stall at 3.30

Thursday 8 March—Stay & Play Nursery open session 1.30—3.00

Monday 12/Wednesday 14 March—Yr 5/6 Residential to Robin Wood

Thursday 15 March—KS2 to Methodist Church Easter Trail

Friday 23 March—Red Nose Day

—Royal Hall Concert

Thursday 29 March—Easter Service at church 2.00

—break for Easter

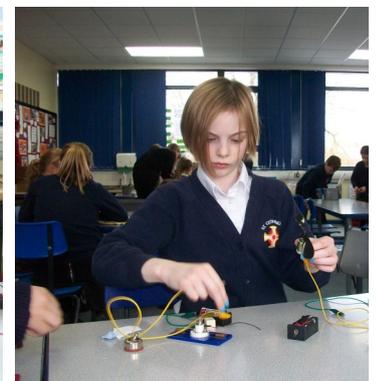
Monday 16 April—return after Easter

Early Years

Our federation will shortly be advertising for a Nursery / Reception teacher to take up post in September 2018. Mrs Dutton has kindly informed us at this early stage that she intends to take (very early) retirement at the end of the summer. This is the ideal point in the year to recruit from a wide pool of candidates. Mr and Mrs Dutton will spend more time travelling and enjoying more leisure time together! Mrs Dutton is a fantastic teacher who has brought so much to our school in her time teaching Nursery and Reception. We won't be saying goodbye however as Mrs Dutton is keen to continue to be involved in our Federation, our communities and with our children.

Maths Passports

In Year 1/2 Lola, Harry, Jacob Bragg, Ruby and Ala have all completed Europe and Lorenzo has completed Ireland. Congratulations to William in Reception for completing his 'England' maths passport and good luck flying off to 'Scotland'! Also to Ben, Chloe and Ella who have completed their 'Scotland' passports and are now having fun in Wales!



Year 5/6 have enjoyed investigating circuits in their science lesson, combining a range of components and making their own switches.

Vacancy—Clerical Assistant

Vacancy details are available on the NYCC vacancy page and also on our school websites. We require a Clerical Assistant to work Mon—Fri am (8.30—12) at Fountains Earth and 1—3 afternoons (to be determined) at St Cuthbert's. If you have any questions regarding the position please contact A Lumley, Business Manager on 01423 711407.



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