



**Newsletter 36**  
**12th June 2020**



Dear Parents,

Thank you for your patience in the re-opening of school to more year groups. Our main priority is the well-being of our pupils. I firmly believe that it is in the best interest of all children to come into school before the end of term – so they can connect with their teacher, celebrate their home learning, see classmates and know who will be teaching them next year. We have found that the mental well-being of key worker children and Year 6 has been supported by coming into school and they have enjoyed being back in school.

We have been restricted in who we can welcome back to school, but have now set out a plan that would offer time in school for all pupils, albeit only for a brief spell. We will be sticking to our COVID-19 guidance (on our website), which will be updated for the additional numbers coming into school and emailed to you. We will be contacting each Year group to let them know which half of the class they are in – Monday and Tuesday or Thursday and Friday.

While bubble isolation will be strictly adhered on a day to day basis, there will be occasions when key worker children will need to switch bubbles once in a week – when their class group is in. We will keep this to a minimum. We have risk assessed this as it goes against guidance and given our rationale in Newsletter 35 earlier this week.

Please do read our health and safety guidance. A new version will be sent each week with timings and instructions for arrival and pick-up as well other information regarding lunches etc and our H&S precautions in school.

No child will be penalised for not coming back to school. If they are shielding, have symptoms or have been instructed to isolate, they should not come into school. Parents also have the choice not to send their child in to school.

You will see from the plan below that Year 6 are being asked not to come to school on the week of July 6<sup>th</sup>. This is to allow Year 5 to have time in school with their new class teachers.

I will be writing to Year 3, 4 & 5 parents separately with details of their groups. It would be helpful if parents could let me know in advance if their child will be unable to return due to being vulnerable; shielding; isolation. Please could you send this information to me at [blog@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk](mailto:blog@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk) All parents are welcome to send comments and questions to this email address, which I will be monitoring daily.

## St Cuthbert Mayne four-week end of term and transition timetable

Week beginning	June 22	June 29	July 6	July 13
Year 3	Mon/Tues (Bubble 1) Thurs/Fri (Bubble 2) 3A Miss Ryan 3N Miss Wheeler			Monday – Bubble 1 Tuesday – Bubble 2 Includes half day with new teachers in Year 4
Year 4		Mon/Tues (Bubble 1) Thurs/Fri (Bubble 2) 4J Mrs Young Bubble 1; 4J Mrs Welch Bubble 2. 4A Miss Thompson	Mon/Tues (Bubble 1) Thurs/Fri (Bubble 2) 4J Mrs Young Bubble 1 in 5E 4J Mrs Welch Bubble 2 in 5E 4A with Miss Phillipps in 5M	
Year 5			Mon/Tues (Bubble 1) Thurs/Fri (Bubble 2) 5M Miss Reed in 6J classroom 5E Mrs Hobbs in 6MLK	
Year 6	In – current arrangement	In – current arrangement	No school	In – plans to be announced

### Additional notes:

Key Worker care will continue five days a week

Class blogs will continue daily

Yr2 are being offered a visit to school on 24.6.20 or 1.7.20

Year 5 will be combining their return to school and transition in the same week.

### Great Work and Achievements

We are very proud of Poppy Griffin's success in the 500 word competition – reaching the top 4% of all entries. A PowerPoint with the reading of her story by Team GB Paralympian Jade Jones-Hall will be on our Community Cuthbert blog [www.communitycuthbert.edublogs.org](http://www.communitycuthbert.edublogs.org) Well done, Poppy.



6J have been studying volcanoes – at home and in school. Noah Gilder has been joining in from home with some great work – also shared on Community Cuthbert. Thank you Noah.

This stunning volcano pictured, left, is by Olivia and the volcano, right, by Darcy. Just two of some dramatic pieces of work. Well done to all.



## **House Points**

Well done to St Catherine who continue to top our house points table. It would be lovely to see other Houses challenge them. St Dominic's you have come so close... Keep your house points coming.

**In the last week:** St Catherine 99, St Martin 94, St Dominic 92, St Rose 77

**Overall standing:** St Catherine 570, St Dominic 562, St Martin 546, St Rose 477.

**Fitter Future**, week ending 7th June, Freya Rajendram continues to be a clear leader, way ahead with 13, but Erin Bowers is a new entry at Number 2 with 5 sessions completed.

Wishing you all a peaceful and safe weekend

Best wishes

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