



**Newsletter 32**  
**20<sup>th</sup> May 2022**



Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 4 created their own electronic quiz games as they learnt about circuit boards at a hands on workshop on Wednesday organised by Set Point. All the children were able to take their quizzes home and test their family and friends using their circuit boards. A fun day for all with a lot of practical learning about electricity as part of their Science curriculum. Our thanks go to parents and grandparents for their help on the day.

Congratulations and blessings to all our Year 3s and children in other years who made their First Communion last weekend. I hope you all had a special day. We have some photos of their big day in their classrooms and would welcome any more – if you are unable to print them please send to the office [admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk) and we can print one out for display in their class.

## Year 6

All Year 6 parents and pupils are invited to the PGL information evening on Monday in the Hall when they will receive their school journey packs. The meeting is at 4.30pm in school.

JFK will be visiting both Year 6 classes next Thursday to meet those starting at JFK in September. The JFK Transition Day is on July 7<sup>th</sup>.

## RSE Week

Please can parents be aware that we are planning to deliver our Relationships and Sex Education lessons in the week after half term. I would encourage parents to look at our RSE policy and Parent information powerpoint on our website which sets out what will be taught in each year group. This is particularly important for Year 5 and 6. These documents are on our Learning section, under RSE: <https://www.cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk/learning/sre/> If you have any questions about this curriculum please speak or email myself or your child's class teacher via the office email [admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk)

## Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations – Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup>

This will be a non-uniform Red, White and Blue day. The children will be having a special picnic lunch (provided by our school kitchen in place of school dinners) and we are going to be running a St Cuthbert Mayne's Got Talent (outside version) before welcoming the parents for an after school picnic and activities organised by our PA. Please see the Wednesday email flyer for ordering refreshments for this event.

## Happy Bags

Thank you for all the bags of clothing that parents brought in. 312kg were collected raising £124.80. Many thanks to the Parents Association for organising and helping.

## Merit Certificates

Well done to the following children who have been selected by their class teacher for being shining examples of our Mission Statement – *Growing together in love and learning as followers of Jesus.*

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| 3Anning             | <b>Lisa Rennie</b>          | For taking notice of others and showing kindness to all of the class.  |
| 3Nightingale        | <b>Sara Popa</b>            | For her excellent attitude to learning in class and for her determination and progress in swimming.                |
| 4Jemison            | <b>Leo Makarewicz</b>       | For returning refreshed and ready to learn. His Arithmetic has been particularly impressive!                       |
| 4Attenborough       | <b>Aarun Padisetti</b>      | For his hard work and enthusiastic input into our Science learning – especially in our Light It Up workshop.       |
| 5Mandela            | <b>Faye Dalton-Spikings</b> | For her excellent reading score this week and for her continued beautiful learning attitude across the curriculum. |
| 5Einstein           | <b>Isabella Polson</b>      | For her particularly pleasing effort in English and RE this week.  |
| 6Johnson            | <b>Alexander Gavin</b>      | For his enthusiasm and great energy during our singing practice.   |
| 6Martin Luther King | <b>Harper Cowman-Daly</b>   | For her excellent attitude towards her work this week – you have put 100% effort into everything you've done.      |

### **Congratulations...**

To all our pupils taking part in the Bubble Rush run in aid of the St Francis Hospice this Sunday including Ciara Corkery (5M) who insisted on working around the course despite injuries.

Sophie Callaghan on receiving her medal for 100 miles in 100 days for the Epilepsy Society.



### **Singing volunteers**

We are hoping to take pupils to Our Lady's Church Hall on Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup> (2pm) to sing to parishioners from three parishes as part of their Caritas afternoon for care home and elderly residents. We used to do these twice annually and it has always been a very happy event when we sing a selection of our songs accompanied by member of our school orchestra. We expect to be singing for about 30 minutes from 2.15. If you child would like to take part, please see the reply slip in the Wednesday email. We will prepare the children in the week after half term.

**Lenten Boxes** – The final total raised for the Catholic Children's Society during Lent was £356. Thank you to our children and families for your generous support.

### **Menu change**

Please note that there are changes to the menus on the non-meat days. These have not proved popular, so meat options are returning on these days alongside our vegetarian options. The revised menu is attached to our Wednesday email. If you wish your child to change options please contact the office.

### **Farewell**

We said goodbye to two of our pupils this week. Grace and Thomas Garcia-Tonello are moving with their family to Italy. We wish them a safe journey and good luck in their new school. It does mean that we do have spaces for new pupils – currently in Years 3 and 5. We also currently have vacancies for next year's Year 3 so please spread the word if you know of families looking for a school place from September.

### **Prayers needed**

We have heard news of a friend of St Cuthbert Mayne who is seriously ill at this time – please keep him in your prayers along with those families whose loved ones are fighting serious illness at this time. We send our love and prayers to them all.

Have a peaceful weekend

Best wishes

Mrs Smith

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