



Newsletter 38
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Dear Parents and Carers,

My final email is quite an emotional one – especially after our assembly this morning - I cannot quite believe we are at the end of the term – and such a hot end of term! Well done to everyone for coping so well in these extreme conditions.



Our Year 6s leave us today with our very best wishes for secondary school and their futures. They treated us to a beautiful Mass, celebrated by Fr Brian, on Friday and it was so lovely to have parents there for the special occasion. The children have such stamina that they were able to enjoy the Leavers Disco in the evening – thank goodness it was outside. Thank you to the Year 6 parents who organised this and the PA for the disco.

End of school awards were also presented with the message that every child in this school is a success story and we wanted to highlight particular contributions over their time at St Cuthbert Mayne as is our tradition:

The Bradley Phillips Award (for someone who quietly shines and lives out our mission statement) – Miguel Martin-Rueda.

Sports Awards

Sportsmanship – James Sweeney; **Sports Girl:** Scarlett Barber; **Sports Boy:** Luke McNamee.

Governors' Music Awards: Aoife Jones and Maja Kelly

Governors' Awards: Rory Moloney and Kai Seabrook

Contribution to Spiritual Life of the School: Madeline Murphy

This morning we gathered as a school for the last time before the summer break and announced the House Cup – with St Martin the winners. It was very close run with just 11 points between the winners and runners-up St Dominic. Well done St Martin:



Well done to all the children for their hard work and gaining of House points. The final tally was: 1st St Martin 1299 pts; 2nd St Dominic 1288 pts; 3rd St Rose - 1236 pts; 4th St Catherine 1197 pts.

Rotary Essay Competition

Earlier on Friday the President of the Hemel's Rotary Club Roderick Pesch came to present awards to Aoife Jones (1st), ChiChi Onwudiwe (2nd) and Lola Richardson (3rd) in the Rotary Essay Writing Competition. Mr Pesch said that the judges had been so impressed by the essays on how they could change the world for the better and with their presentation. Well done to all those who took part and thank you for keeping up this proud tradition at St Cuthbert Mayne.





Outdoor Learning Week

Last week was outdoor learning week and it was kick started with our visit from the Birdman, Alan Ames, on Monday. He brought Sybil the hawk, Alaska the eagle and Sparky the owl and spoke to the children about the need for conservation, predators, ecology, adaption and how the natural world works.

Throughout the week, children engaged in in activities such as making dream catchers of natural resources, printing using materials from outside, nature walks and

observations, art work inspired by Andy Goldsworthy and much more. The children had a fantastic week and enjoyed learning about the nature and the world around them.



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Brass and recorders

Parents of children who learn a brass instrument in school with Mr Jones and Years 3 and 4 were treated to a concert last Wednesday. Year 3 parents will find a recording of their children playing in school on their child's google classroom. Well done to all our musicians.

Thank you

Mr Collingwood, Miss Sheridan and I would like to express our sincere thanks for your wonderful gifts that we received yesterday afternoon. We are totally overwhelmed by your generosity and thoughtfulness in choosing such imaginative gifts. We shall thoroughly enjoy them. Thank you.



On behalf of all our staff, thank you for your kind words, cards and gifts to all our dedicated staff, your appreciation means a lot to them.

I would like to say a special goodbye to you all. You help make St Cuthbert Mayne a very special community. It has been my privilege to be the Head teacher of this school and my thanks go to you for putting your faith in this school and in me as the Headteacher. I will miss the connection with the children most of all and will be wondering how they are doing. They are terrific and make this job such a pleasure. I am delighted that Mr Sallis will be taking over my role and Mrs Welch as deputy head and know you will support them as well as you have supported me and Miss Sheridan and all the dedicated staff at the school in continuing our mission to grow in love and learning.

I wish all our families every future happiness and a well-deserved summer break.

Mrs Smith
Head Teacher

