#### ST CUTHBERT MAYNE SCHOOL - WEEKLY BULLETIN - WEDNESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2023

### **School Office**

We have had a busy start to the new term and thank you all for your continued patience.

If you need to contact the school office, we will always endeavour to respond to queries, within 48 hours at the latest.

Whilst every email/call is important to us, as you will appreciate, some are more urgent than others and on occasions we do have to prioritise responses.

We do our best to ensure things are not missed, but apologies if this has been the case.

## **Staff Vacancy - Additional Needs Support Assistant**

We are recruiting for the above position. If you or you know of someone who would be interested in this post, please follow the link below to our advertisement on the Teach in Herts website, for full details and the application forms:

### **Additional Needs Support Assistant**

# Year 5 Swimming Lessons- Friday 15th September

A reminder Year 5 Swimming starts on Friday and Arbor is now live for consent and payments.

Year 5 Mandela: 10.00-10.30 am

Children will be picked up from SCM at 9.30 and dropped back around 10.45

Year 5 Einstein: 10.30-11.00 am

Children will be picked up from SCM at 10.00 and dropped back around 11.15

Parent helpers for Y5 swimming, will be warmly welcomed... Please join our staff and support us with checking seatbelts, helping with swimming hats, goggles and walking to and from the coach. This will help us be time efficient and safe.

If you are available to help in this way, please let the class teacher know

### Year 6 Chocolate Workshop- 28th September

Arbor is now live for your consent and payment, for the Chocolate Workshop, on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

The workshop is being held to link with the curriculum topic the children are currently covering, around The Maya Cizivilisation.

# Year 4 Whipsnade Zoo Trip-Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Further to our earlier email, the Year 4 trip to Whipsnade Zoo on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2023, is now live in Arbor for you to pay and consent.

If you are available to help with this trip, please put a note for the teacher, in the back of your child's Reading Record.

### **Academisation**

The Governing Body is moving forward with a conversation process to join ASCAT and will be holding a consultation meeting on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm.

A formal letter inviting you to this event will be sent out on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September, which is when the formal consultation will begin.

### **Upcoming Sports Competitions**

**Tag Rugby competition:** On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October our Year 5 and Year 6 (mixed) students have been invited to compete. To have the opportunity to take part, children are welcome to practices run by Mrs Tizard on Tuesday Lunchtimes (Y6) and Thursday Lunchtime (Y5).

**Cross Country competition:** On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October our Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students have the opportunity to take part, children are again invited to practices run by Mrs Tizard on Tuesday lunchtime (Y3 and 4). Whilst Year 5 and 6 will be able to practice during PE lessons with Mrs Whiteford.

A reminder that there are still spaces available for our SCM After School Clubs, which are available to book on Arbor, these include Tag Rugby, Netball and Girls Football... for our future Lionesses! Children are welcome to trial a SCM After School session, before you commit to book.

### **New School Dinner Menu**

A reminder we started the new chilled option on the menu line up, today. Following the success of this addition to the school lunch options, we will be introducing Jacket Potatoes, from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September for the children to order.

With 4 options soon to be available, if you wish to make changes to your child's meal pattern, please email the office: <a href="mailto:admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk">admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk</a>

### **School Dinner Money reconciliation**

Further to our note in our previous Wednesday emails and correction of prices, please accept our apologies for the inconvenience caused and thank you for your continued patience whilst we work with Arbor to get this resolved.

#### **Parents Association**

The Parents Association have tickets available for the annual pantomime, which this year is Peter Pan.

Please see the attached flyer for more information and payment will be available in Arbor from tomorrow, Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

### **Music Lessons**

Mrs Greengrass and Mr Jones, started their music lessons back this week, which was lovely to hear.

If your child would like to take up Violin or Brass, please contact Herts Music Service.

# Feeling unwell

During the Autumn and Spring term there is likely to be a greater chance of children getting colds or other viruses including COVID.

Current advice from NHS is that you are no longer required to do a COVID-19 rapid lateral flow test if you have symptoms. You can go back to your normal activities when you feel better or do not have a high temperature. If your child has mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat or mild cough, and they feel well enough, they can go to school.

However, if your child has tested positive for COVID-19 try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test.

#### **Attendance**

Please continue to report any absences going forward to the office, via the below email:

attendance@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk

## School Shop- Pens, ties and badges

We have now moved the school pens, ties and badges over to the School Shop on Arbor, which should make it easier for parents to purchase fixed price items.

If you are ordering, please only do so from the Arbor shop.

#### **TERM DATES 2023/24**

Please follow this link to our website- St Cuthbert Mayne School Term Dates 2023-2024

# **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Our Breakfast Club for 2023/24, is available to book.

Please can we politely remind you, to review our breakfast club policy below and to book your sessions in Arbor at least 24 hours prior, so that our staff are aware of numbers and can cater accordingly: SCM Breakfast Club Policy 2023

Please bring your child/children to the main playground gate, where a member of staff will bring them round to the dining room.

Please note the gate will open at 7:50 am and closes at 8:15 am and the Breakfast Club mobile number is: 07526 076963.

#### **After School Clubs**

Our ever popular After School Clubs started up this week, please see the attached PDF timetable for the full schedule of activities on offer, available from 3.30-4.30 pm.

A reminder of Nutritional Ninja's new email: <a href="mailto:contact.nutritionalninjas@gmail.com">contact.nutritionalninjas@gmail.com</a>

# **LOCAL COMMUNITY:**

**HFL Online Safety Newsletter** 

Kind regards, Mrs Godwin School Office SCHOOL OFFICE OPENING TIMES: 8.30 AM-12.30PM 2.30PM-4PM