

Attendance

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

attendance@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk

Winter Weather is here

As we approach winter and with the recent weather change, please ensure your child has a suitable coat with them.

Year 5 Swimming Lessons

A reminder Year 5 Swimming have swimming on Friday at the below times:

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

Thank you to those parents who helped last week. If you are available to help this week or any other, please let the class teacher know?

Teachers require help checking seatbelts, helping with swimming hats, goggles and walking to and from the coach. This will help us be time efficient and safe.

Year 6 Welcome Mass- 26th September

Year 6 will be holding mass at 9.00 to welcome our Year 3 pupils and new students, all parents/carers are invited to attend.

Year 6 Chocolate Workshop- 28th September

A reminder that we still require consent and payment for a number of pupils for the Chocolate Workshop. Arbor is live, so if you could please do this ASAP, otherwise the workshop will not be able to go ahead. Please get in touch if you are unable to access Arbor.

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

Year 4 Whipsnade Zoo Trip- Tuesday 3rd October

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to the Year 4 Whipsnade Trip, the trip is all booked!

Thank you to everyone who has emailed in and offered their help, your requests have been forwarded onto Mrs Young and Mrs Welch.

Trust Board Recruitment

The All-Saints Catholic Academy Trust (ASCAT) is currently seeking to recruit Foundation Directors to the Trust Board. Directors are key strategic decision-makers in a Catholic Academy Trust (CAT). The legal responsibility for the performance of each academy rests with them. Their role is strategic rather than operational much in the same way that the role of a Foundation Governor is within a single non-academy Catholic school.

This is an exciting opportunity to play a role in a vibrant and collaborative Trust that is in the process of expansion and development. The role of Foundation Director is a rewarding one and offers various opportunities for professional and personal development.

To be eligible for appointment, you must be a practising and committed Catholic, in communion with the Church. Please contact Christina Reffold, Director of Governance & Compliance, on governance@ascat.co.uk or visit our website for more information at <https://www.ascatonline.co.uk/Become-a-Foundation-Director/>

Academisation

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

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

Upcoming Sports Competitions

Tag Rugby competition: On Wednesday 11th 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 19th 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 and Girls Football... for our future Lionesses!

New School Dinner Menu

A reminder we started the complete menu line up, this week and it has been very popular.

We have also welcomed our lovely new cook Katie, who has already brought positive changes.

With 4 options now available, if you wish to make changes to your child's meal pattern, please email the office: admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk

School Dinner Money reconciliation

Arbor are undertaking works this week to get this issue resolved. Please accept our apologies for the inconvenience caused and thank you for your continued patience.

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 tomorrow.

Music Lessons

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

If your child would like to take up Violin or Brass, please contact Herts Music Service: <https://ukhertfordshire.speedadmin.dk/registration#/>

School Shop- Pens, ties and badges

School pens, ties and badges can now only be purchased from the School Shop on Arbor. This should make it easier for parents to purchase fixed price items and for us to manage issuing items to you.

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 below timetable for the full schedule of activities on offer, available from 3.30-4.30 pm:

| Autumn After School Clubs 2023-24 | | | | | |
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| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| APEX | | Inclusive Football (Mixed) Years 3-4 | | Inclusive Football (Mixed) Years 5-6 | |
| Watford Education Trust | Dodgeball Years 4-6 | Squad Football (Boys) Years 5-6 | Tag Rugby Years 3-4 | Seasonal Sports Years 3-6 | Squad Football (Girls) Years 5-6 |
| Amanda Tizard | | Squad Netball (Mixed) Years 5-6 | | | |
| Challenge Education | | | | | Boxing Years 3-6 |
| Playfeet | | Drama Years 3-6 | Drama Years 3-6 | | |
| Kew Dance | | | | Dance Years 3-6 | |
| Mona Shiraz | Art Years 3-6 | | | | |
| Nutrition Ninjas | | | | | Cooking Years 3-6 |

Key dates for the next week:

Tuesday 26th September- Year 6 Welcome Mass

Thursday 28th September- Year 6 Chocolate Workshop

LOCAL COMMUNITY:

HFL Online Safety Newsletter

Loreto College- Open Evening

Kind regards,

Mrs Godwin

School Office

SCHOOL OFFICE OPENING TIMES:

8.30 AM-12.30PM

2.30PM-4PM