

Attendance

This a polite reminder, to report any absences, via the below email:

attendance@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk

Shared Car Park and Travel to and from School

Thank you to all parents and carers for your understanding with regard to our drop-off and pick-up situation. We know that there are a number of constraints that everyone has to contend with. We are in the process of creating a travel plan that will aim to reduce congestion at these key times during the day. For now please could you be mindful of the following:

- There are disabled bays immediately outside the lower shared car park gate - please only park / stop in these bays if you have a disabled badge
- There are designated safety corridors (yellow hatched lines) in the car park - please avoid stopping on these as these are there to allow children and adults to walk safely through the car park
- Please use the full one way system so that the car park entrance does not get blocked
- Please be kind and considerate to others - we know it can be frustrating
- Please consider whether you are able to 'park and stride' or share lifts with others
- Thank you for continuing to avoid using Clover Way

Year 6 After School Club pick up

With the evenings drawing in earlier, we politely ask that even if your child is in Year 6 and usually has permission to walk home after school, that you pick them up from after school clubs that run to 4.30pm, please.

Year 6 Welcome Liturgy

Year 6 did an excellent job of leading our Mass turned Liturgy on Tuesday, welcoming all of our new pupils and staff.

It was wonderful to see so many families join us in this welcome celebration and we hope you feel your St. Cuthbert Mayne journey has started warmly. Clearly our children have great aspirations for the future! With the confidence they displayed and the support families are showing I'm sure we have many doctors, vets, artists, fashion designers, footballers and YouTubers in our midst.

Our next Liturgy which you are all invited to, is our Harvest Liturgy led by the Chaplaincy Team on Thursday 19th October.

Year 6 Chocolate Workshop- 28th September

Tomorrow's Year 6 Chocolate workshop is being held to link with the curriculum topic the children are currently covering: 'The Maya Civilization'.

Year 4 Whipsnade Zoo Trip- Tuesday 3rd October

Please can we remind you to bring your child's zoo membership cards in on Monday 2nd October and also your own, if you are helping on the day.

The children will need on the day:

- A packed lunch including a water bottle, in a named bag, **please remember no nuts or fizzy drinks**
- Wear school PE kit/tracksuit including trainers

- This is an outdoor activity, and the children will be outside all day, irrespective of the weather a waterproof coat with a hood is essential

Thank you!

Parent Consultation Evenings- Tuesday 17th & Thursday 19th October

Appointments will be available between 4.30-7.10 on both evenings and we will let you know as soon as appointments are available to book via Arbor.

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 have helped. 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.

Parents Association- Peter Pan Panto Tickets

The Parents Association have tickets available for the annual pantomime, which this year is Peter Pan. These are available to purchase in Arbor.

Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Academisation

You will have received a letter this week, via Arbor, regarding The Governing Body moving forward with a conversation process to join ASCAT and inviting you to their consultation meeting on Thursday 5th October at 6pm.

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

Free School Meal Entitlement

If you believe you may be entitled to Free School Meals but do not currently receive them, please see the attached letter on how to apply.

School Dinner Money reconciliation

Arbor have advised they are continuing to work on the issue this week to get it resolved and we will update you as soon as we can. If you notice unusual activity on your account over the coming days between the hours of 7am-7pm, this is Arbor working remotely.

Thank you again for your continued patience.

Music Lessons

Mrs Greengrass and Mr Jones continue to teach and guide our students in their music lessons and it is lovely to hear music around the school.

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 book your sessions in Arbor at least 24 hours prior so that our staff are aware of numbers and can cater accordingly.

Our Breakfast Club policy: [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.**

Key dates for the next week:

Thursday 28th September- Year 6 Chocolate Workshop

Tuesday 3rd October- Year 4 Whipsnade Zoo Trip

Thursday 5th October- Academisation Consultation Meeting at 6pm

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					
	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

LOCAL COMMUNITY:

DSPL8 funded Raise Resilience six-session course for parent/carers

Kind regards,
Mrs Godwin
School Office

SCHOOL OFFICE OPENING TIMES:

8.30 AM-12.30PM

2.30PM-4PM