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### Year 6's Blog

Welcome to our astonishing blog!!

In English, we have been learning about different styles of poetry. We were looking at some poems by the poet named Benjamin Zephaniah. We were looking at two of his most famous poems; called 'No Problem' and 'I Love My Mother'. We also compared and found the features of these two

poems and explained why and which poem we enjoyed/didn't like the most in groups. In my group - Lillymae, Giya, Sarah, Mohammed, and Ana - we liked the poem called 'I Love My Mother' because it was very heart-touching and it shows how much the poet loves his mother.

In Maths, we have been learning and recapping how to add, subtract, and multiply mixed and improper fractions. An example of adding fractions is Stated in the following:  $\frac{3}{5} + \frac{5}{5} = 1 \frac{3}{5}$ . We also were learning how to write a fraction number sentence for example  $5 \frac{3}{4} - 1 \frac{3}{8} = \frac{23}{4} - \frac{11}{8} = \frac{46}{8} - \frac{11}{8} = \frac{35}{8} = 4 \frac{3}{8}$ . We have also been doing fraction reasoning sheets which are related to adding, subtracting, and multiplying fractions.

In RE (Religious Education), we have been learning about a religion called Buddhism. In this topic, we have been learning about their beliefs and the eightfold path. The eightfold path is the teachings of the Buddha that can lead to the end of suffering. The eightfold path includes being kind, having a good intention, having a good mindset, and mindfulness, right effort, the correct livelihood, the right speech, and correct actions. We have also been learning about the Buddha's origin and life. The Buddha was born in a place called Lumbini in Nepal. The Buddha also reached enlightenment after meditating for 49 days under the Bodhi tree and realising that all suffering comes from being greedy and always wanting more. After this, he spread around and told people the truth of why everyone was suffering. Even after he died, lots of people passed down this story from many generations ago to this day.

In DT (Design Technology), we have been learning about the topic called textiles and how they can become more sustainable. We have also been learning about fast fashion and how we can stop fast fashion/reuse reduce and recycle. Fast fashion is clothing brands that do not make very sustainable and long-lasting clothes. Normally fast fashion brands last for a few weeks or months. Some examples of Fast fashion brands are Shein, Primark, Vinted, Temu, H&M, Pretty Little Thing, Bershka, and M&S. PSHE (Personal, Social, Health, Economic), we have been learning about kindness and sympathy. We had a lady come in named Miss Alexis and she taught us about kindness how to be kind and how to affect others by kindness. *By Giya and Sarah*

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Half Term  
12th – 16th February



**Palmyer YN** "We are learning about Under the Sea. Fish, octopus, whale, turtle live in the sea."



**Jasmine YR** "We are learning about our bodies. I made my body with skeleton using cotton buds."



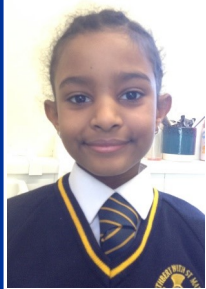
### Good Samaritans

*Younes from Year 2, is this week's Good Samaritan for being kind enough to help a classmate with tying up their shoes.*

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*"Darkness cannot drive out darkness:  
only light can do that. Hate cannot drive  
out hate: only love can do that."*  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.



**Aisha Y3** *"In English we talked about fairy tales. We guessed the story from the initials our teacher wrote. E.g. B & B is Beauty and the Beast. We also acted out stories from different fairy tales."*

**Leo Y1**  
*"In Science we are learning about materials. For my project I made a water proof umbrella from plastic. I also made a poster to go with it."*



## Year 4's Blog

Welcome to the amazing Year four blog!

In English, we are learning about fairy tales. First, we made a mind map, and then we watched and read the Three Little Pigs story! Next, our teacher gave us a sheet of paper and we had to guess what the fairy tales were. POV: H and G means Hansel and Gretel. We also wrote about our Christmas holidays and how we spent it. Some went on a trip to another country and others stayed in London and went to Winter wonder land.

In Maths we are learning division and multiplication. We looked at multiples of 10 and factors of 10. We also solved word problems.

In Science, we have been learning about states of matter. We compared and sorted groups of materials together according to whether they were solids, liquids, and gases. We then wrote facts about the matter, e.g. a gas is something we cannot see, a solid is a hard material, and a liquid moves around quickly.

In DT we are learning about mechanisms. We looked at how to make pop-up books. We explored how it might work and labelled each part, such as lever, pivot, joint, hinge, pop-up, and slide mechanism. The types of movements are linear and rotary and used vocabulary like design, mock-up, plan, and fit for purpose. Then we drew our first draft and labelled the parts. *By Ayo and Sarah*

## Head Teacher's Letter

Dear St Cuthbert children and parents,

Well, 19 days into our New Year and strange happenings have been spotted in St Cuthbert School..... two pink pigs busily preparing Y1&2 learning (and even attending Collective Worship) on Thursday, and a snarling wolf recapping a traditional tale with the pupils! Despite the change in teaching staff, we are reassuring Y1&2 parents that smart teaching and learning has still been evident and will hopefully be bringing smart outcomes too!



Being spring term, we have been looking for signs that wet, grey and dark days are (almost) behind us. And the good news is that we have spotted some! Daffodils in Art club yesterday, and blue sky with sunshine over our playground once again across our week! So already we are counting our blessings...



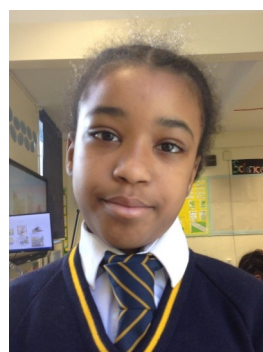
A big thank you to St Cuthbert mums who attended the coffee and craft session yesterday – their growing embroidery banner is a developing masterpiece! Our craft coffee morning takes place each Thursday morning, 9-11am and all are welcome.



But now it is time for our weekend, and we wish you two days of rest and warmth!

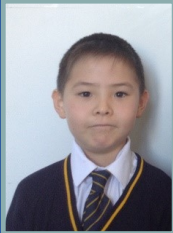
Best wishes,

Miss Putterill  
and the  
St Cuthbert  
Teaching  
Team



**Soriyah Y3** *"In Science we are learning about rocks. We discovered that some are light and shiny, some are very dense and heavy, and others are smooth and precious."*





## Year 5's Blog

Welcome to the Year 5 spectacular blog!

### MATHS

In Maths, we have been learning about equivalent fractions. We learnt different methods to find if the fraction is equivalent.

To turn unit fractions into equivalent fractions time the numerator and the denominator by any number. Unit fractions are fractions where the numerator is 1.

### DT

In DT we have been learning about bread and we also got to taste test different types of bread. Breads are split into two categories savoury and sweet. Savoury is where the bread is plain for example wholemeal bread and sweet bread like a donut. We have tasted different types of bread such as sourdough focaccia, naan, pandesal, croissant, wholemeal, and crumpets.

### RE

In RE we have been learning about Sikhism. One of the gurus called Nanak was special and one day when Nanak was going in the water he didn't come out of the water for 3 days straight. No one could find him he just disappeared into the water. After being in the water for 3 days he came out and said he was talking god and that he treats everyone equally.

### SCIENCE

In Science, we have been learning about the properties and changes of materials. We have investigated thermal insulators. Thermal insulators do not let heat pass through them easily. We then did an experiment where one ice cube would have no cloth and the other ice cube would have cloth wrapped around it.

### ENGLISH

In English, we have been reading The Jungle book. In the jungle book Father Wolf and Mother see Mowgli and Mowgli comes to them. Shere Khan and Tabaqui his trusty servant, come to the cave and tell them to give Mowgli to them. *By Nazim and Anand*



**Nursery's beautiful sea creatures and facts display.**

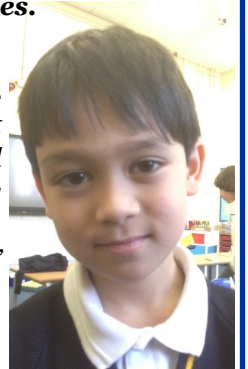


**A fantastic display from Reception**

**class about parts of our bodies.**

### Raphael Y2

*"In Maths we are learning about money. We matched pennies and pounds. We also sorted them by shape and value. E.g. 100 pennies = 1 pound."*



**Zara Y1** *"In English we are learning about fairy tales. About character and physical traits of the three little*

*pigs. The pigs are pink and smelly. They are also naughty, silly and smart."*

### This Week's Attendance

Class	Attendance
Y5	99%
Y4	98%
Y3	94%
Y1	92%
YN	89%
Y6	87%
Y2	80%
YR	79%
Total	90%



**Joana Y2** *"In PSHE We learnt how to manage our emotions. One way is by removing ourselves from the place when we are angry and distract ourselves with art and games."*

## Football News



On Tuesday, three Year 5s and five Year 6s went to Marlborough School near South Kensington to play football. When we got there we sorted out the positions we were going to play.

Then we chose 6 players on the field and then we played against another primary school. We scored 4 goals. we ended up winning the match. Mohamed and Keon scored 2 goals each. St Cuthbert's team will play Bousfield Primary School next week. We will report how we get on. Wish us good luck! *By Hannah and Ethan.*

*'As a school community we are inspired by the parable of the Good Samaritan from the Bible (Luke 10:25-37), where we are encouraged to love one another courageously and with compassion. Through friendship, kindness and thoughtfulness, we will nurture each other to learn and flourish as individuals.'*

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## STAR LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

**Congratulations to you all!**

YN	Nour	For well developed speaking and listening skills.
YR	Jahzel	For fantastic recount of the story <i>We're Going on a Bear Hunt</i> .
Y1	Nathaniel	For flourishing in his phonics screening test and achieving a pass mark.
Y2	Louie	For expanding his sentences in English.
Y3	Neziah	For putting so much effort in his work and showing good manners.
Y4	Sarah	For contributing well in PSHE and positive friendships.
Y5	Nazim	For contributing well in lessons. Keep it up!
Y6	Ali	For participating enthusiastically during RE lessons.



## PRESENTATION HOTSHOTS OF THE WEEK

**Congratulations to you all!**

YN	Barin	For creating a detailed <i>Under the Sea</i> project.
YR	An-Yi	For presenting a beautiful project on <i>How We Get to School</i> .
Y1	Leo	For experimenting with water-proof materials for his project.
Y2	Ahmad	For creating a detailed poster on mechanisms.
Y3	Christina	For trying her very best in her home work this week.
Y4	Malak	For great effort in her homework.
Y5	Mark	For a detailed Geography homework task.
Y6	Giya	For creating a very detailed project about South Africa.

### DOUBLE PARKING

Please can parents respect our request not to double-park at drop-off and pick-up times. This creates danger for our pupils and blocks exits and entrances for residents. If this issue persists, the residents will take action by asking the council to block the road.

### Puzzle Time



BITTER  
BLIZZARD  
CALENDAR  
CELEBRATION  
FIREPLACE  
FREEZING  
FROST  
FROSTY  
HIBERNATION  
HOLIDAY  
HOT CHOCOLATE  
ICICLE  
INDOOR  
JANUARY  
MITTENS  
MLK DAY  
NEW YEAR  
PARKA  
POLAR  
RESOLUTION  
SCARF  
SKIING  
SLEDDING  
SNOWFLAKE  
SNOWMAN  
SWEATER  
WINTER

WORD SEARCH DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

P	E	R	S	O	Y	V	S	W	F	M	X	P	I	Y	X	L	Y	J
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There will be **exciting prizes**, for the right answer to this week's puzzle handed in on **Thursday**. Please write your name and answer on a separate piece of paper. **Good luck!**

**Solution for last week's puzzle**

### 12 Days of Christmas

Word Search

**SOLUTION**

E	D	M	K	N	Z	S	P	I	U	V	Z	H	L	Z	D	S	T	L
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