



St. Cuthbert with  
St. Matthias C of E Primary School

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Dear St Cuthbert children and parents,

**Happy New Year!** And all the very best wishes for a happy year ahead from our St Cuthbert team.

As we started our term so soon after the New Year (our teachers were in school on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January having a training day and our children joined us back at school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January), I was wondering if I would be bumping into quite a few children on hibernating walk-about this week. But hooray! No, not at all! In fact, I think I have met the broadest smiling faces and bounciest children I have seen in a long while. We have also heard many Happy New Year wishes being passed to one another through the week! How lovely to be back at school!

It certainly hasn't been any glorious spring weather that has enticed us back. Possibly, the heightened sugar intake has brought our children buzzing back into school, but just maybe eagerness to explore new learning opportunities and a chance to reunite with their friends (and classrooms) has encouraged them back in haste! We hope so.

We would also like to welcome a few new members of staff to our team this term, and wish them many happy hours in the days ahead teaching our St Cuthbert children. It is also bringing me great pleasure to welcome back our website that has been on holiday, without permission, somewhere in the cyber-world for the past number of weeks. Yesterday, it returned home after too-long- a winter break and we are over-joyed to see it back once again! However, it is starting 2018 and its future back with us under a new domain: [www.scwsm.rbkc.sch.uk](http://www.scwsm.rbkc.sch.uk) and hopefully by next week, it will be fully up to date and useful once again...

Looking in our diary, I see that our spring term is already bursting with exciting events - Story Telling Week, science workshop days, Humanities Week, Book Week, Science Week and Holy Week, to name a few! So we are preparing for exciting weeks ahead.

Just in closing, I would like to share some good news for anyone still in slight hibernation mode. By January 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be adding a full two minutes each day to the daylight hours!



We would like to wish anyone celebrating the Orthodox Christmas on January 7<sup>th</sup> a happy Christmas day!

Best wishes,

Gill Putterill and the St Cuthbert Teaching team



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**SPECIAL DATES TO NOTE**

- **Nursery Open morning:**  
**Wed 10th Jan 9.15 -10.15**
- **NO CLUBS next week**



Y3 have made beautiful ceramic characters from Traditional Stories



Y2 Iconic British buildings and Y5 advent wreaths

**Year 4 blog:**

We have had a busy first week back at St Cuthbert's which began by learning all about how New Year's Day is celebrated around the world. Then we wrote our own New Year resolutions, such as: being a kinder friend, improving our reading skills and listening more.

In English we have been learning about the Chinese New Year. Did you know that this is the year of the dog? We have been highlighting key words and sorting them in alphabetical order and we used a dictionary to find out their meanings.

In Maths, we have been reviewing our number learning from last term; we have improved by practising the columnar method, ordering 4-digit numbers, rounding numbers and even converting roman numerals.

We have begun two exciting new topics. In RE we are learning all about Hinduism. We have been learning about Brahman and we listened to the story of Svetaketu. His father taught him about God by dissolving salt in water. Svetaketu could taste the salt but couldn't see it. This shows the Hindu belief that God is everywhere and invisible.

In science we have started our topic on States of Matter. We have thought of questions we would like to ask such as: why do we breathe out carbon dioxide? Did you know that the melting temperature of chocolate is 32 degrees?

By Mohamad and Malak Y4



**ST Cuthbert with  
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Church of England  
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Originally founded as a choir school for St Matthias Church, our school has a rich heritage of education within the context of a Christian framework.

Our school can look back at over a century of providing an excellent education for the children of our community. We have the highest expectations of each one of our children and we work to ensure that every child leaves our school having gained all the important skills and knowledge that will help them become successful in their future life.

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We have been learning about numbers. We are doing PE. We are dancing. I am good at dancing. *Aisha YR*



We have learned about different materials. We went outside and saw some materials we needed to find. We found wood. *Dani Y1*

**Year 5 blog**

In Science we have been learning about living things and their habitats. We have been doing an experiment with Mr Johnson. We have been taking out petals from the flowers to see what is inside the flower. We saw the female which was the stigma. We also saw the male of the flower which was anther and filament. After that, we saw some pollen. We also labelled the flower on our sheets.

In English we have been writing a poem with metaphors and similes. In our poems we have been writing about emotions (anger, happiness, sadness, joy, love, hope and lots more). In our poems we included what it tastes like, feels like, sounds like and smells like.

In Maths we have been learning and making our own line graphs. We got a paper that has the month, temperature and numbers. We also made our line graphs. We first drew our x and y axis. After that, we put the temperature numbers in the y axis and we put the months underneath the x axis. We looked at the month and temperature number and labelled the dots on the graph. Then we connected the lines to the dots.

*By Kate and Nicole*



**Year 6 blog**

Maths!

In Maths we have been learning about pie charts and how to create them. First, we had to times  $\frac{6}{50}$  by 2 which is  $\frac{12}{100}$ . Then we turned it into a percentage and that is 12%. After that we tried to create our pie charts using a protractor. If you want to see the pie charts, they are going to be on display in our classroom. Yesterday, we were drawing quadrilaterals using angles.

English!

In English we have been learning about non-chronological (information) reports. The whole class had to highlight all language features such as: formal language, technical vocabulary, third person, present tense and facts. We also had to write down words that we didn't know meanings of and try to find the meanings in the dictionary.

Half term!

All of us went to amazing places- such as Nora who travelled to Aranjuez. However, she went to more exciting places in Spain. Amina stayed in London, but she went to the cinema and watched a new movie called Thederland. The movie was spectacular!!! What did you do in the half term?

*By Amina and Nora Y6*



We have been writing about what we did in the Christmas holidays. I went to the swimming pool. We went to Fulham. *Chris and Mark Y3*

We have been learning about recounts. They are in the past. We must use First, Next, After. I think we are going to write a recount today. *Fatima Y2*

I have been playing with the dump truck. It dumped a lot of purple sand. *Cristiano YN*

