

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

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Living our Vision

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Year 4's Blog

Hi welcome to Year 4's extraordinary blog!

In English we are learning about the feature of simile, acrostic and haiku poems. We used our imagination to write interesting similes. Our teacher let us choose a type of poem to write, we wrote acrostic poems. We have an exciting competition to write a short story in a hundred words. Almost one class in every school in the UK is entering the competition organized by a company called Young Writers. Our class has been chosen to enter. We started to write a plan of our stories, which are fantasy, adventure and fiction. The five winners will be able to publish another story they will write.

In Maths we continue to learn about adding and subtracting 4 digit numbers with exchange. We used place value to solve the questions. We also learnt about estimating for calculations and word problems. Which means guessing with a sensible answer using our previous knowledge of rounding. We might need this skill for shopping in real life.

In RE we brought items that would bring us peace from home. Some of us brought books, toys, pillows and plushies. We showed the items and talked about how they make us peaceful. I (Giya) talk to my plushies a happy thought and a sad one, then I became peaceful. I (Aisha) brought a book that makes me peaceful when I read it.

In History are learning about the Anglo Saxons. We looked at the Anglo Saxon belt buckle designs. We designed a sketch of how our belt buckle should look. Then used the scratch method to make interesting mix of colours for the belt buckle.

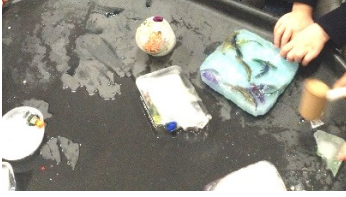
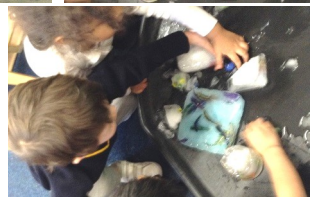
We hope you enjoyed our blog. Have a good weekend! *Giya and Aisha*

SPECIAL DATES

- **Christmas Jumper Day** - Thursday 16th December - final day of autumn term
- **Spring Term** — Wednesday 5th January



Leo YN "We made ice with different bits in it. We put glitter and some leaves. When we played with it my hands got stuck with it."



My YR "I like drawing and painting. I drew a tea pot, oranges and an apple. I used chalk and colour pencils."



St Cuthbert with St Matthias CE School

“Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere.”
Chinese proverbs



Gaia Y2 “We went on a Science trip to the South London Botanical Institute. We looked through microscopes. We examined green leaves and brown leaves, to see the difference apart from colour.”



Year 5's Blog

Welcome to Year 5's spectacular blog!

In English we explored and discussed about slam poetry and identified some features. We also wrote the differences and similarities between, slam poetry and traditional poetry. The differences are: slam poetry is meant to be performed on a stage in front an audience and traditional poetry is when it is subtle and written on a paper. We also began to think of topics to write our slam poetries.

In R.E we discussed how the nativity narration is expressed in a variety of forms. We looked two different stories, one example is where Gabriel was a delivery man and delivered a package. We also wrote poems about angel Gabriel, coming to Mary and telling her about the Good News, that Mary will have a baby boy called Jesus. Here is an example of the poems by Imogen, Anna and Mouemin :

Gabriel's message

Gabriel falls from the sky
From heaven way up high
He told Mary its tonight
But God said on a
December night
Jesus will be his name.
Everyone will know
His, name
Just for his fame
He will be the, saviour
Of the world
Forever more.



In PSHE we drew a giant paper tree and we cut out paper leaves. On the leaves we wrote words that are kind and how we can be kind and helpful to others. Words like, manners, thoughtfulness and compassion. We call the tree the kindness tree. *By Imogen and Aiden*

HEADTEACHER'S LETTER

Dear St Cuthbert children and parents,

‘You can't stop the waves, but you can learn to surf’, goes the saying that seems to be rather profound right now! And so, as we manoeuvre ourselves through waves of stormy weather and mutating virus, we are learning some important lessons in life: resilience, adaptation, and determination.

As some of our classes move to online learning once again, we have resolved to bravely reschedule our planned Christmas festivities... and we are already excited for our spring term! Thank you to our pupils who are holding their joyful thoughts and keeping their smiles. We know we have exciting times in store for us ahead.

Our thoughts go to those St Cuthbert families where there is illness. We wish your family members speedy recoveries back to good health with the knowledge that we are saving our festivities for when we can all be back on site together once again.

And just to remind us that there is one celebration that we can still enjoy, whether we are housebound or not, our pupils have created a magnificent collage of the Christmas Story that took place around 2000 years ago - the real reason for our Christmas celebration each year. Thank you for all your hard work in creating the characters for our collage. Hanging in our display cabinet outside our school, it will help to bring joy to many passers-by over coming weeks!



Just before closing, I would like to share some sad St Cuthbert news - our lovely Assistant Head Teacher, Ms White, will be leaving us this term. Ms White has given much time to our St Cuthbert children, but would like to prioritise more time being ‘mum’ for her young family. We thank Ms White so much for being our Y1 teacher over challenging times, and for her dedicated SENCO contributions as Assistant HT. We wish her happy days ahead spending more of her time with her family on her new pathway, and hope she will pop in to say hello to us all very soon. We will be updating our families with information about new post holders in next week's newsletter.

We look forward to seeing you all - be it onsite or online - next week for our final four days of autumn term.

With best wishes,

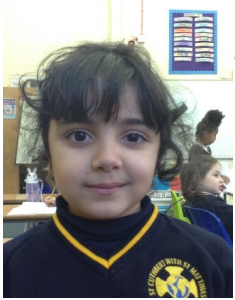
Miss Putterill and the St Cuthbert Teaching team



Ayo Y2 "In English we wrote instructions for how to make a paper snowflake. We used bossy words like, draw, fold and cut out."



Gabi Y3
"In Geography we learnt about map symbols. We cut out symbols and matched them to the correct words We then answered questions about what maps are used for."



Jood Y2 "In Maths we have been learning about ordering coins from the smallest to the largest. We also made up different values by putting together coins."



Yusuf Y3
"In Maths we learnt to subtract a 3 digit number from a 3 digit number with exchange. Exchange is like borrowing a number from next door."



Good Samaritans

This week our Good Samaritan is Abdul in Year 4, for constantly helping others around school and showing small acts of kindness everyday.



Incredible still life paintings from Year Reception and Year 5.

Notice to Parents

Siblings school photos will be taken on Wednesday 12th January at 8:30. Please make sure your children arrive on time. Thank you.

Useful Information to Parents

The NSPCC website is full of useful information on how to keep children safe online.



<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Notice to parents

Please click on the link below on the online newsletter to get a free PCR test.

[Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)



**ST CUTHBERT
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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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Some of our fantastic RE displays of Nativity scenes and advent candles.

Puzzle time

Christmas Joy

DIRECTIONS: Fill in the crossword grid with the provided words.

4 Letter Words

BELL
SNOW

5 Letter Words

ANGEL
COCOA
ELVES
HOLLY

6 Letter Words

LIGHTS
SLEIGH
TINSEL
WINTER
WREATH

7 Letter Words

CHIMNEY
GARLAND
PAGEANT
RUDOLPH
SNOWMAN

8 Letter Words

CAROLING
DECEMBER
EXCHANGE
ORNAMENT
PRESENTS
REINDEER
WRAPPING

9 Letter Words

CHESTNUTS
CHRISTMAS
EVERGREEN
FRUITCAKE
MISTLETOE
NORTH POLE

10 Letter Words

POINSETTIA
SANTA CLAUS

11 Letter Word

GINGERBREAD



Answer to last week's puzzle

CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

USE THE CLUES TO COMPLETE THE CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

Across

- One of Santa's Reindeer
- Santa's Helpers
- December 25th is _____
- Christmas Drink
- The name of a popular snowman.

Down

- Christmas Month
- He hates Christmas!
- You hang them by the chimney.
- On Christmas morning we unwrap our _____
- _____ to the world!

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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!**

Reception class has won this week's Tidy Ted 1 award for the tidiest classroom in Key Stage 1 and Early Years! Year 3 won Tidy Ted 2 of Key Stage 2 for the tidiest class room.



Reminder to Parents

The school trips payments are to be made on line via Pay360. If you haven't register please speak to Cathy. Thank you.