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### Year 5's Blog

In English we have been researching about Queen Victoria to prepare for our new unit of work: The Kensington Writers Project! Did you know that Queen Victoria had 9 children and a pet dog called Dash? Following our own research, we went on a class trip to Kensington Palace: the birthplace and home of Queen Victoria during her life as a princess. We stepped back

in time and were taken through a journey of her upbringing. We studied paintings of the young Victoria, one of which showed her greeting her first Privy Council as Queen at the mere age of eighteen. We used role play to depict our own scenes of what we thought was going on in the image. Then came debate time! Our statement was: 'Queen Victoria's strict upbringing was necessary to prepare her to become Queen.' Many of us argued points against the motion, but some were in favour and others were unsure. To have a successful debate, we learnt about some of the rules that were imposed on Victoria growing up, and had to decide whether these were fair or unfair. For example, Victoria was not allowed to go up and down the stairs unaccompanied by an adult!

In History we have been learning about crime and punishment. We were taken on a whistle stop tour of the history of crime and punishment, from the Romans to the modern day, and created a timeline from this. Here are some snippets of learning: the Georgian period is famous for its Highwaymen. The Victorian times are named after Queen Victoria, who was crowned 1837. Although in the Victorian times there was a lot of crime, this is also when the police were introduced. Today crime is addressed with the help of DNA tests, CCTV cameras and alarms.

For Music we have a new music teacher called Miss Nickels. She plays the saxophone and she even played a tune for us and played a game which helped her to know us better.

In Spanish we learnt about Day of the Dead. In Maths we had to multiply and divide numbers mentally, drawing upon known facts.

In Circle Time we learnt about Martin Luther King and we watched his famous speech: 'I have a dream'. We learnt how his special speech has affected how we see black people.

In PE we played handball but with different rules. For example: you couldn't move your feet if you had the ball. *By Bilguun and Ty* 

# Year 4's Blog

In R.E this week we have been learning about Jonah and Daniel in the Lion's Den. We read the story of Jonah and Daniel in the Bible together as a whole class. Jonah tried to run from God when God told him to go to the Ninevites. Daniel had faith in God, he prayed three times a day to God and then he was thrown into the lion's den. God sent an angel and all of the lions didn't hurt him. In P.E we were playing musical statues and we were listening to the songs and doing our own movements.

In Maths this week we have been estimating answers to subtraction questions and we had to round them to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000. In English, we have been learning about fantasy stories and How To Train Your Dragon which we have been focusing on this week. We described our dragons in our big write. In History, we have been learning about the Anglo Saxons and how they lived. *By Aya and Daniel* 

# SPECIAL DATES

Parent Meeting:
 November 4<sup>th</sup> –8<sup>th</sup>



Ella YN "We collected leaves in the holidays and made Autumn art with my mummy."



Mir YR "We learnt about Diwali, Sita and Rama. Sita was taken to jail by Ravana. Then Rama saves her."

#### **PTA Announcement**

Come join us for coffee mornings which take place between 9-10 am, every fortnight on Thursdays and are held in St Matthias House. Next meeting is on 14<sup>th</sup> November at 9am.

"If you can't fly, then run,
If you can't run, then walk,
If you can't walk, then crawl,
but whatever you do,
You have to keep moving forward."

Martin Luther King Jr



#### Khadija Y3

"In Maths we are adding 2 and 3 digit numbers. We were also given some word problems and solved some difficult questions."

# Year 6's Blog

In Maths, we have been adding and subtracting decimal numbers. We estimated the answer first and then we did the real equation to see how close our approximate was to the answer.

In Science we have been using iPads to research about fossils. We learnt that fossils take 10,000 years to form (minimum). We have also researched a prominent figure in the science world, Mary Anning, who was born 21 May 1799-1847, and was a paleontologist, dealer and fossil collector. She became known around the world for important finds she made in Jurassic marine fossil beds in the cliffs along the English Channel -at Lyme Regis in the county of Dorset in South West England. Mary Anning had to overcome some hardships such as needing to teach herself to read and write. In addition, she also had to earn money for her family as they were poor. However, despite these hardships, she made important discoveries about fossils.

During our RE lesson, we were working in pairs to research all about pilgrimage. Pilgrimage is when people travel to a place that is special to their faith, for example: Hajj and St David's Cathedral. Pilgrim is the person that is travelling. They go on pilgrimage for many reasons: to apologise to God for doing something wrong, to heal or to become closer to God.

In our exhausting, but exciting PE lessons, we have learnt a new game called Giant Dodge Ball. In this game you have to dodge the giant ball. If someone hits the ball and it hits your waist and under, YOU ARE ELIMINATED!!!

#### Music

Sadly, our old music teacher (Miss Bowe) has left our school to start a new life with performing and recording. However, on the bright side, we have a new music teacher called Miss Knickles. She is very fun, and has a great taste in music. *By Dana & Gigi* 

#### HEAD TEACHER'S LETTER

Dear St Cuthbert children and parents,

'I mustn't forget to mention the weather!' I reminded myself as I headed through the week and gathered thoughts for my weekly newsletter. After all, it's really important not to take the beautiful sunny days we have had this week for granted! Especially after the seemingly endless days of rain we have recently had. This week, we have been truly appreciative of the opportunity to learn and play

under sunny skies!

Another splash of vibrant colour has been brightening our playground this week: beautiful hand -knitted red poppies. Our sincere thanks to the nimble fingers of Ms Tina Moss and Ms Ogee for all their hard work. The money raised from selling these beautiful poppies will be sent to the Poppy Appeal 2019 charity which supports ex-service men and women and their families. In school, our children have also been making poppies, and from Monday, our 198 poppies will be decorating the school fover, re-



minding us of those men and women who have fought for peace. We hope you might have a chance to take a look.

Taking a step back into the week, I am heading back to Monday morning when a grinning team of Y3 faces appeared at the window in my door. Suddenly, my office was teaming with this enthusiastic collection of children all clutching their reading journals. As they paged through their books, I heard all about the hours of reading they had done during their week of holiday! Very well done to these children (and I am sure some others in our school as well) who take their daily reading duty so seriously!

But the good news does not stop there: a second team of children, this time from Y1, headed all the way up the stairs to Y6 class on Monday afternoon to show me their exquisite maths addition presentation. Quite remarkable - and very deserving they were of the enthusiastic round of applause that came their way from Y6 pupils!

What a great start to our autumn term 2: bright sunshine, memorable poppies, filled reading journals and masterful mathematicians! And now a well-deserved weekend as well...
Until next week,

Gill Putterill and the St Cuthbert Teaching Team





We say a sad farewell to two staff members today, both of whom have had close links with St Cuthbert's for many

years. Thank you and goodbye to Rosa Perez—our financial administrator- who has taken up a new position closer to her home. We also say goodbye and thank you to Nick Goodey, who moves out of London this week. We wish you both the very best in your futures wherever they may be, and we hope you will pop in and say 'Hello' very soon!





Judah Y3 "In History we have been about the Stone Ages. It's called the Stone Ages because people use to use stones as tools. They mainly ate raw meat, fruits and nuts until they discovered fire."



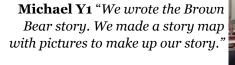
Congratulations to Adeena and Ana from Year 3, who got their pen licence today in assembly.



Beautiful display of Year 1's Playground Designs.



Amazing display of Year 6's Design Technology project and Healthy Body project.





**Mohamed Y2** "In Art we are learning about the Fire of London. We are drawing fantastic flames with crayons using our fingers."

### Alexasndre Y1

"In Maths we have been adding numbers up to 20 then we used correct number formation."











# STAR LEARNERS OF THE WEEK Congratulations to all of you!



N	Maryam	For always contributing to class discussions.
R	Lyla	For talking about her project to the class.
1	Oliver	For his wonderful work in Maths.
2	Sara R	For trying really hard in her Maths and for always asking questions.
3	Serena	For always taking part in class discussions during RE.
4	Aya	For hard work in RE this week.
5	Eglal	For always offering help to her peers in her learning and being a team player.
6	Jacob	For offering thoughtful and thought –provoking answers during class assembly on Wednesday.



# ST CUTHBERT WITH ST MATTHIAS **CHURCH OF ENGLAND** PRIMARY SCHOOL

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 providing 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 important the skills and knowledge that will help them become successful in their future life.

# After School Clubs

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Monday	3:30-4:30 Athletics Club KS1 & KS2
	3:30-4:30 Junk Modelling KS1 & KS2
	3:30-4:30 Non-Contact Boxing KS1 & KS2
Tuesday	3: 30 -4:30 Gardening Club Rec, KS1 & KS2
	3:15 -4:15 Lego Club Nursery & Rec
	3:30-4:30 Street Dance KS1 & KS2
Wednesday	3:30-4:30 Coding Club
	3:30-4:30 Football Club KS1 & KS2
	3:30-5:30 Cooking Club KS1
Thursday	3:30 -4:30 Homework Club
	3:30-5:30 Cooking Club KS2
Friday	3:30-4:45 Art Club KS1 & KS2
	2:45-4:45 Swimming Club KS1 & KS2
	3:30-4:30 Judo Club KS1 & KS2

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!

Find 20 hidden words related to Halloween. Words in this puzzle maybe found from top to bottom, bottom to top, left to right and right to left.

#### Ε G N 0 Q YKO E S E E 20 7 В Z TRICK OR L S E M S 0 U T TREAT! H 0 S TSI T CRCED N REBO QWMA TCO 6 cat 16. prank 1 amusement 11, games

for getting the right answer for last week's puzzle.

#### Class Attend **Y3** 96.7% YN 96.6% Y5 96.2% Y1 96.0% **Y6** 95.7% **Y**2 92.7% **Y**4 90.7% YR 90.4% Total 94.1%

This Week's Attendance

#### **Notice**

All scooters must be padlocked at the scooter park. This will help them stay safe and will keep the entrance looking neat.



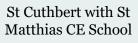
**Well Done** Adeena V3

17. pumpkins

18, safe

20. treat

19. spooky



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12. ahosts

13. monster

14. october

15. orange

7 costumes

9. frankenstein

8. dracula

10. frighten

2. apples

3. autumn

4. boo

5. candy