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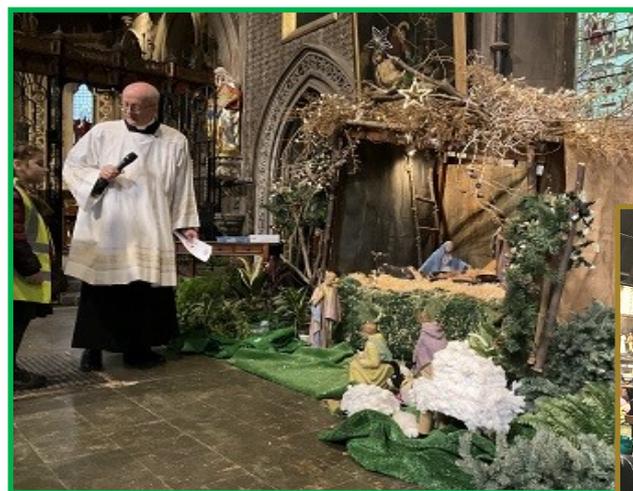
**Our corridor has been beautifully decorated with our own Nativity scene during advent!**

We wish you a Blessed Christmas and a joy-filled New Year!

*We had a beautiful Christingle Service in church last Friday-thank you to our Christingle-making team for creating so many wonderfully delicious Christingles!*

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

- Monday 8th January 2024-INSET day for staff
- Tuesday 9th January 2024-Spring term begins for pupils



**Our Y5&6 children visited the residents at Inkerman House yesterday! They enjoyed Carol singing and took their specially made Christmas cards. How lucky they were to receive some Christmas treats in return!**

**Thank you to our EYFS &KS1 pupils (and teachers) for a special Nativity play this week!**



ST CUTHBERT WITH ST MATTHIAS CE SCHOOL

*'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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### NEW CLUB FOR SPRING TERM!

Coding club is for Year 3, 4 and 6  
Would you like to be part of the fun and creative world of Coding?  
Build logic and analytical skills while learning how to code? You can program your own interactive stories, games, and animations!  
Coding helps young people learn to think creatively, reason systematically, and work collaboratively — essential skills for life in the 21st century.  
Come and join the coding club on Thursdays from 3.30pm to 4.30pm next term! Fees: £5 per session.

**A big thank you to Santa for visiting St Cuthbert's last Friday! He had an excellent time enjoying chatting with St Cuthbert pupils... and loved his Santa Grotto. A big thank you as well to his hard-working elves: Mrs Brin-cat and Mrs Polad!**



### HEAD TEACHER'S LETTER

Dear St Cuthbert children and parents,

After a week of assessments, rehearsals, performances, services, presentations -and even parties- we think St Cuthbert pupils are ready for their holiday!

Thank you to all families who have supported the Christmas events, helping to make these truly special occasions. A warm and huge thank you to our hard-working teaching team- after such a long term, they are also deservedly ready for a grand holiday! As we close our term, we say farewell to some staff members as they head onto exciting ventures elsewhere. Thank you to Miss Horn for being part of our school community this term-we wish her all the best on her new pathway. Thank you to Miss Holly (Williamson) for returning to us this year and we wish her well as she begins her studies, and to Mr Mitchell, another thank you for supporting classes this past term.

With spring term just around the corner, a message about After School Clubs...the new term ASC pack will go out in the first week back. We have a new addition to the club list for spring, a Coding club. Please see information in our newsletter today. Other clubs will continue as usual in spring term.

But now it's time for our much-awaited holiday and so we wish our St Cuthbert families a safe and restful holiday. And to our Christian families, a Blessed Christmas.

We look forward to seeing you all back with us on Tuesday **9th January** for spring term.

With best wishes,

Miss Putterill and the St Cuthbert Teaching Team

***Our choir took part in the ChamberMusicBox Classical Christmas concert in our church on Tuesday evening. They sung beautifully! Thank you to parents who supported our choir at the event.***



**We all enjoyed an amazing Pantomime, Jack and the Beanstalk, this week!**

