

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2026

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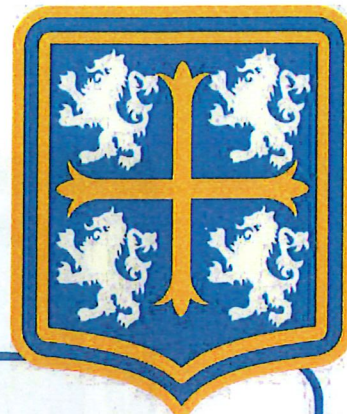
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### Mr Scanlon's Message

Whole school attendance for the year so far is 95.7% which is a strong start to the year. I have been really impressed with the effort everyone is making, but we have one small problem! Friday's!!! Our attendance has been wonderful each week and then dips down on a Friday. I know I can be tired on a Friday morning after a busy week, but it's so important to complete the week. We have been looking at patterns in the children's attendance and if your child has missed a number of Fridays, we will be in touch.

To try and improve things, please read about the Friday Hatrick Challenge on the next page.

| Year | Star of the Week |
|------|------------------|
| N    | Isla             |
| R    | Summer           |
| I    | Noah             |
| 2    | Azaan            |
| 3    | Melia            |
| 4    | Abeeha           |
| 5    | Areasha          |
| 6    | Amira            |

| Class | Attendance        |
|-------|-------------------|
| N     | 92.9%             |
| R     | 91%               |
| I     | 97% V IMPRESSIVE  |
| 2     | 98.6% SUPERSTARS! |
| 3     | 97% V IMPRESSIVE  |
| 4     | 96.3%             |
| 5     | 97.4% EXCELLENT   |
| 6     | 89.4%             |

### **Mobile Phones and Photography During School Events**

We ask that from this year, that mobile phones should not be used within the school building at any time. This includes taking photographs or videos during school events, performances, assemblies, celebrations, or other activities, even when photographing your own child. While we understand that parents are proud of their children's achievements, this measure helps us safeguard the privacy and safety of all pupils, many of whom may be captured in the background of images.

We kindly ask all visitors to respect this expectation and refrain from using mobile phones whilst on school premises. Where appropriate, school staff will take photographs and share these through our usual communication channels.

Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us maintain a safe environment for all children.

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Starting Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October



### Nursery Places

We still have some places in our nursery for mornings or whole days. If you know someone with a child who has turned three before 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026 who may be looking for a place, please ask them to ring the office or fill in the form from this



We currently also have spaces in Year One and Year Three. If you know a family who may be interested in a place, please ask them to ring the office,

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To help us respond in the best way:

- Any questions about your child should be shared first with your child's class teacher.

- We will always aim to respond as soon as possible.

Please also keep an eye on this email, as information about workshops, events, and external training or support will be sent from this address.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Need help with completing forms? Do you need things translating?

Mrs Badshah will be available on Friday afternoons to help parents who require support to complete any forms, particularly if translation is needed. If you would like some time with her, please speak to her at the office and she will give you a time slot.

Remember, Mr Samuels is in school on Wednesdays and Thursdays and is always willing to support families.

| CITY KITCHEN YOUR MENU Week ONE                                                                                                                       |                                                                          |                                                                             |                                                                          |                                                                            |
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| Spring and Summer 2026                                                                                                                                |                                                                          |                                                                             |                                                                          |                                                                            |
| Monday                                                                                                                                                | Tuesday                                                                  | Wednesday                                                                   | Thursday                                                                 | Friday                                                                     |
| MACARONI CHEESE<br>with GARLIC BREAD<br><br>FISH FINGERS                                                                                              | CHICKEN/QUORN<br>MUSHROOM BALTI                                          | LAMB/QUORN MINCE<br>AND POTATO PIE                                          | JACKET POTATO WITH<br>CHEESE AND BEANS<br>OR TUNA AND SWEET<br>CORN MAYO | MARGARITA PIZZA<br><br>FISH GOUJONS                                        |
| SERVED WITH BAKED<br>POTATO WEDGES AND<br>PEAS                                                                                                        | SERVED WITH PILAU<br>RICE AND NAAN<br>OR SAUTE POTATOES<br><br>MIXED VEG | SERVED WITH ROAST OR<br>MASH POTATOES,<br>BROCCOLI AND<br>CARROTS AND GRAVY | SERVED WITH BAKED<br>DICED POTATOES AND<br>A MEDLEY OF<br>VEGETABLES     | SERVED WITH CHUNKY<br>CHIPS, PASTA SHAPES,<br>BAKED BEANS AND<br>SWEETCORN |
| Assorted filled sandwich or roll, Seasonal salad bar, Bread basket available daily<br>A selection of fresh fruit & yoghurts as alternative to pudding |                                                                          |                                                                             |                                                                          |                                                                            |
| STRAWBERRY<br>MOUSSE                                                                                                                                  | CHOCOLATE CRACKNEL<br>AND CUSTARD                                        | FRESH FRUIT PLATTER                                                         | GINGER ICED SPONGE                                                       | C.F + D.F.<br>ICE CREAM TUB                                                |
| ADDITIONAL MENU OPTIONS AVAILABLE DAILY                                                                                                               |                                                                          |                                                                             |                                                                          |                                                                            |
| For any allergen or special dietary requirements please speak to a member of the catering team                                                        |                                                                          |                                                                             |                                                                          |                                                                            |
| MADE FRESH                                                                                                                                            |                                                                          |                                                                             |                                                                          |                                                                            |

***Come and join us on Friday  
2<sup>nd</sup> October to try our picnic  
theme day lunch***

**Menu as follows:**

**Ham, Chicken, Tuna mayo or Cheese  
Bap Sausage or Cheese Lattice Rolls**

**Lightly spiced Wedges**

**Fruity Coleslaw**

**And then:**

**A Fairy Cake**

**Or**

**A piece of fresh fruit**

**Census day!!!**

Pizza Thursday is happening this week to celebrate Census Day! Funding for our school meals is directly decided by how many children eat a school lunch on Census Day, so we need your help to maximize our numbers. We are making it extra special by serving everyone's favourite: delicious, freshly baked pizza.

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Diary Dates – Please check weekly as new dates will be added. We intend to give as much notice as possible in the coming year but please be understanding if things need to change,

| Autumn Term 2026                   |               |                                                                                                                      |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> September | Parents       | MacMillan Coffee Morning 9.00 – 10.30am                                                                              |
|                                    | Mini Vinnies  | Tea and cake for parents while raising money for Macmillan and share ideas for parental engagement at St Cuthbert's. |
|                                    |               |                                                                                                                      |
| Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> October     | Year 1, 2 & 3 | Phonics Workshops 2.30pm – 3.15pm                                                                                    |
| Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October    | Year 4, 5 & 6 | Maths Workshops 2.30pm – 3.15pm                                                                                      |
| Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October    | EYFS          | Parent Stay and Play 9.00 – 9.45am                                                                                   |
| Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October  | Whole School  | Break up for Autumn Half Term                                                                                        |
| Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November | Whole school  | Parent's Evening                                                                                                     |
| Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December   | Whole School  | Break up for Christmas                                                                                               |
| Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January    | Whole School  | Start of Spring Term                                                                                                 |

## Autumn 1 Masses

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October  
**Stewards of the Earth Mass**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October  
**KS1 Mass**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October  
**Year 4 Mass**

Each year, St Cuthbert's celebrate Harvest Festival. We welcome donations of tinned and dried goods that will be donated to Stechford foodbank.

We thank you, as always, for your generosity and continued support.



### Food items needed most

- Squash/Cordial
- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned Vegetables
- Pulses
- Meat Soup
- Tinned Fish
- Coffee
- Tinned Tomatoes/Pasta Sauce
- Sponge Puddings
- Instant Mash
- Toiletries (Soap
- Toilet Roll
- Shower Gel
- Shampoo