

Monday 22nd September 2025

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Headteacher's Message

Good afternoon everyone! Here we are at the start of week 4 and we are like a train that is gathering speed and we are watching the days slip past at a rapid speed.

Thank you to all parents who attended parents meeting over the past two weeks. I hope that you found it beneficial – if you didn't manage to attend, please do see your child's class teacher to get the information.

This week is all about new roles and responsibilities that children have volunteered for around school. We now have all our school captains in place, a full school council, play leaders, bell ringers, house point monitors, play leaders, hall monitors, Mini-Vinnie's and Liturgy Leaders.

I am sure all the children who have volunteered will be reliable and hardworking members of their teams.

Attendance: Our School Attendance is 95.79%

The national target for attendance is 95%.



Year 4 have been victorious – they won last weeks attendance with 98% attendance. Magnificent! I was delighted as Year 6 had 97%, Year 2 had 96.6%, Year 3 had 95.8% and Year 2 had 95% - this is great attendance all around and I would love us to keep it up!

Catholic Life – Charitable Outreach

St Vincent De Paul – The Mini Vinnie's

Congratulations to our new Mini-Vinnie group who were inducted on Friday in Mass. This group is a national group, a group specifically for children who focus on charitable outreach. This will begin this week with the MacMillan Coffee Morning and our Harvest Festival.

Congratulations to the following children

Year 4 – Daniel, Nikola, Poppi, Khadija, Rico

Year 5 – Lawson, Lucy, Kaiden, Shanaya

Year 6 – Zach and Ruby

The group take St Vincent De Paul as their role model!

School Spaces

Schools across the country now have spaces in lower year group classes as the birth rate has fallen. It is due to rise again in the next few years but for now it is low.

We have spaces in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. If you know someone who is looking for a school space, or is unhappy with their current place please let them know that we do have places available.

Get in whilst you can!



This half term our Virtues and Values are Eloquent and Truthful



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**Mass - Fridays at
9.10am in School
hall**

**Friday 26th September
– Harvest Festival
Mass (Mini Vinnies)**

**Friday 3rd October –
KSI Mass (Year 1 and
2)**

**Friday 10th October –
Year 3 Mass**

**Friday 17th October –
Year 4 Mass**



Good luck to Year 5
who are off to Corpus
Christi Church on
Thursday 26th
September to take
part in a service for
the Jubilee Year of
Hope. They will be
joining 7 other Year 5
classes from schools
in our cluster group.
Sing well and enjoy!

St. Cuthbert's Weekly News Updates

Harvest Festival and Mini-Vinnies

The Mini Vinnies will be celebrating the Harvest Festival during School Mass on Friday 26th September 2025.

This is a celebration of how lucky we are and all the food we have to share. Please begin to donate items for Stechford Foodbank, we will collect over the next two weeks. Thank you, as always for your generosity and for your ongoing support.

What Stechford Foodbank needs (as of September 2025):

- **Drinks:** Squash/Cordial
- **Tinned Goods:**
 - Vegetables (peas, carrots, etc.)
 - Pulses (kidney beans, chickpeas)
 - Meat Soups (chicken, oxtail)
 - Tomatoes/Pasta Sauce
- **Other Food:** Coffee, Sponge Puddings, Instant Mash
- **Toiletries:** Soap, Toilet Roll, Shower Gel, Shampoo

Items they are not currently in need of: Pasta, Baked Beans, and Vegetable Soup.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

This Thursday 25th September we will be holding a parents coffee morning in the hall.

We will be supplying tea, coffee and cake.

All we ask for is a donation that will go towards the schools funding raising for Macmillan.

Children will be able to buy a cake for 20p at first break and we will sell any that are left over after school.

Please donate any cake you can for this excellent cause and pop in for a cuppa on Thursday morning.

House Captains and School Councillors

Congratulations to the following Year 6 children:

Ismaeel and Safwaan – Winchester House Captains

Deen and Zain – Canterbury House Captains

Shyanne and Ria – York House Captains

Scarlett and Thy Yen – Durham House Captains

Let the competition begin!

Congratulations to the following children:

Mohamed El Mubarak and Avery – Year 1

Everlii and Isa – Year 2

Anaya and Tanzil – Year 3

Noor and Milan – Year 4

Max and Siyaam – Year 5

Zach and Ruby – Year 6



SCHOOL COUNCIL

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