



St Cuthbert's CofE Newsletter

21/09/23



Dear Parents/Carers,

The weather certainly appears to be changing and we are well and truly in autumn. Please remind the children to wear a coat to school and check it is labelled with their name in case it gets lost.

We have some very responsible pupils who have stepped up to take one of the many leadership roles in school.

We have Noah and Coco who have been elected as our new head boy and girl. Each class has held elections to appoint their pupil school council representatives. School council are very active in school and have already had their first meeting. Very soon, we will be opening applications to our Year 5 children to apply to become part of our Mini Police this year.

Thank you to all of the children who give their time in these positions to support others in the school. It is very much appreciated!

Friends of School

If you are interested in forming a Friends of St Cuthbert's Junior group please come into school to talk about what this entails and whether it is something you would like to join. An informal meeting will take place on Wednesday 18th October at 2.30pm.

Friends of School Groups are an extremely effective way to raise money for schools. Friends of School funding usually supports things linked to curriculum enrichment such as support in funding school visits and visitors in school, new outside play equipment and many other areas.

If you have some time to spare, some great ideas and love our school please come along and help out.

Harvest Festival Assembly

Our Harvest Assembly will take place on **Friday 20th October at 9.00am**. Everyone is welcome to join us to celebrate.

We usually ask for donations of food for the assembly which we take to Wells Vineyard Foodbank. The Wells Vineyard Foodbank was situated on Jocelyn Drive but it has recently has moved. It is now at The Old Pumpouse, Rowdens Road which is next to Wells City Football Club.



I have spoken to the volunteers at the foodbank and they are inundated with requests for support at the moment.

There are certain products that they are in desperate need of so if you are in a position to donate anything for our Harvest assembly, could I ask for items such as longlife milk, washing pods, toilet rolls, tinned meat and meals, cereals and coffee.

Our parents are always so charitable and I know that many people across Wells benefit from your generosity.

Lunchtime Clubs

As well as our after school clubs, we have introduced a number of lunch time clubs as well. Some children find the long lunchtime break very difficult to manage and having the choice of being in a club often helps to reduce anxiety.

Choir and Band

We have our choir and band club which takes place on Friday lunchtime.

Nurture Club

The Nurture club has lots of different activities such as mindfulness drawing, lego and role play. This is run by Mel Rowles, our ELSA. This club is available for children from Monday – Thursday.

Knitting and Loom Band Club

We have 2 new lunchtime clubs starting next week. Mrs McLaren and Mrs Thorne are starting knitting and loom band clubs. From listening to what children have been asking for, I know these are going to be very popular clubs. These clubs will take place on Monday and Wednesday.

Cross Country Club

On Thursday lunchtime, Miss Faulkes is starting cross country club again. Last year, the cross country team attended tournaments and competed against other schools. If you would like to join this club, you will need to bring your PE kit and ensure you have suitable trainers for running.

All of these clubs are free of charge and available for your child to be part of. Our staff are working extremely hard to ensure that our children are supported in every area of school life to become happy, confident young people.

Maths Workshop

Mrs Ramsey held a mathematics workshop for parents and carers this week. The Year 6 children from Himalayas class helped her to deliver a very informative presentation demonstrating how we teach and how we learn maths at St Cuthbert's.

We had a very good response from parents who attended but if you were unable to attend, Mrs Ramsey has attached the power point to the school class dojo.



If there are any other areas of maths you feel a maths workshop would be useful in supporting parents, please contact Mrs Ramsey who will be happy to organise this.



Photograph Day

We have the school photographer coming in on Thursday 28th September so we will need to make sure we all come into school looking our best with our hair brushed and big smiles!

Year 6 Secondary Application Deadline

Reminder that parents of Year 6 pupils need to apply for their secondary school place. The deadline is 31st October so please make sure you do this soon. We have attached a link below.

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/children-families-and-education/applying-for-school/starting-at-a-secondary-or-upper-school-in-september/>



Dear Parent/Guardian

We invite you to attend or **GIRLS ONLY DYNAMOS CRICKET CAMP**

Dynamos Cricket is a perfect introduction for all 8 - 11 year-olds new to the sport of cricket! We recognise that there can be some barriers to accessing cricket, whether that's financial, perceptions of the sport or other reasons.

Therefore, we are offering a chance to remove the financial barrier to young people who are in receipt of income related free school meals, or are finding

the cost of living hard to manage, access a fun and amazing cricket opportunity over the summer holiday.

Dynamos provides children with a more social offer focused on developing fundamental movement skills and applying them in an exciting game of countdown cricket.

We know how important it is to look like the heroes of the game, so every child who registers will receive their very own Dynamos Cricket New Balance **t-shirt**, personalised with their name and number, **bat**, **ball** and access to some amazing **Topps Cricket Attax cards**!

The sessions details:

GIRLS ONLY Dynamos (8- 11 year olds)

When: 26th October

Time: 10am – 3pm

Where: Wells Cathedral School, The Liberty, Wells, Somerset, BA5 2ST

When you click on the link – you will see the programme is listed as £40. However, once you enter the voucher code on checkout, this will change it to £0

There is no cost to attend session. **To book your place, please can you complete this booking link by the 13th October**

Complete the booking

link <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/BookCourse/b679efb8-31d5-4831-a0f5-2ab1ca72aec9>

Enter the voucher code: 6WPU8M

If you have any questions, please contact
Steve.gass@somersetcricketfoundation.org

Wells Sport & Fitness on 30th September Big Event Day

Get Sportaneous
at Wells Sport & Fitness

Saturday 30th Sept

See what's on...

Group Exercise Classes
Yoga, Indoor Cycling, Circuits, Pilates, BodyBalance, BodyPump, AquaFit

Local Sports Team Demos
Meet, chat & maybe even join in with a local sports team!

Centre Challenges
Gym Challenge, Treasure Hunt & Centre Crossword

Lane Swim & Family Swims
Lanes: 11.30am. Family Swims: 1.30pm & 2.45pm

Bouncetastic Inflatable FREE Play!

As a charity, we love to give back to the community. So we're opening our doors for tons of fun and some free activities throughout the day.

We have plenty of group exercise class taster sessions taking place, along with family swimming, free gym sessions, bouncetastic party inflatable sessions amongst other fun activities; treasure hunts, adults crossword competition, racquet sports and more!

All activities are Free to attend and can be booked

online or through the Fusion Lifestyle App, for more details head over to the Wells Sport and Fitness Facebook page.

With many thanks for your continuing support,

Helen Mullinger

Headteacher