

Christmas Party

We are looking for volunteers to help with the children's Christmas



Party on Tuesday 17th Dec from about 10-00am. There's a lot of setting-up and clearing-away to do and it's hard work but it's a lovely occasion to be involved with. If you wish to help and have an up-to-date DBS check, please ring school and let us know. Many thanks.



Rewards for Arriving Punctually

Many thanks for helping your children to be punctual and to arrive at school on-time. School starts at 8-55am and children should be in the playground at this time.

As an incentive to further improve punctuality and reward the children who have not been late through the whole week, we now offer them a biscuit or two as a special treat on the Friday afternoon.

I have every confidence that the staff deal with this sensitively at the end of the week.

Thanks for your support .

Reverend Paul

I am sure that most people will be aware by now, that Rev Paul Robinson will be leaving St Cuthbert's Church at the end of the year to take up a fabulous opportunity in Cork in Southern Ireland. He'll leave a massive hole in both the church community and the school community. We wish him all the very best in this new and exciting challenge.

To say a big thankyou to Rev Paul for all his fabulous work at Halsall St Cuthbert's over the past 17 years, we will present him with a gift voucher before his leaves.

If anyone would like to contribute to the gift, please send a donation to school as soon as possible and we'll add your name to the Leaving Card. (NAMED AND SEALED ENVELOPES PLEASE) Thanks for your support.

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The Wizard of Oz / Reception Nativity

Our Christmas concerts start next week. I'm sure that you're going to love watching the children perform. They're absolutely fantastic. Please bring your tickets along if you can. (if you have lost/ mislaid your ticket, please do not worry as we have a record of all tickets



bought. Please remember that Thursday night is strictly for parents only. Please do not send grandparents, friends, older brothers, etc as they would not be able to stay and this would be disappointing for them.

It's only right to give our working parents priority. Many thanks for you understanding in this matter.

Childcare Options

* Breakfast Club : Following requests from parents, the school has agreed to consider opening its morning club from 7-30am and provide a healthy breakfast. We would adopt a flexible system whereby children would not need to book, they would just turn up. There would be no fees to pay if a child is absent for any reason. Many thanks. More details to follow.

* Kidz Club : Please remember that Kidz Club fees are £4 through the spring term. Again no fees are payable if a child is absent for any reason. Thanks for your support for our school.

Christmas Grotto

This year the PTFA will be building a grotto for Father Christmas in the outdoor classroom. If you can help on the evening before party day (Monday) please let us know. Ring school : 840253

School Holiday Dates

These term dates have now been approved by governors.

Autumn Term 2020 (73 openings)

INSET Day Tuesday 1st September
Re-opens on Wednesday 2nd September
School closes on Friday 23rd October
Re-opens on Monday 2nd November
Closure 2.00pm on Friday 18th December

Spring Term 2021 (54 openings)

INSET Day Monday 4th January
Re-opens on Tuesday 5th January
School closes on Friday 12th February
Re-opens on Monday 22nd February
Closure 2.00pm on Friday 26th March

Summer Term 2021 (63 openings)

Re-opens on Monday 12th April
* May Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May
School closes on Friday 28th May
INSET Day Monday 7th June
Re-opens on Tuesday 8th June
Closure 2.00pm on Friday 16th July

INSET Day Monday 19th July
INSET Day Tuesday 20th July

School Eucharist

This is a special occasion as it will be Reverend Paul's last Eucharist at Halsall St Cuthbert's Primary and it will be the first time our present year 5s have taken communion in school. Everyone is very welcome. Please pop along. Refreshments will be served afterwards. Thanks.



Cleaning

Our site supervisor/cleaner Mr John McCormick has now moved on. We wish him well in his new challenge. A special mention to Mrs Louise Dodd and Miss Ashley McConnell who have taken on new duties and have been fabulous in their 'deep cleaning' around school. It has made a big difference.

Sports Participation

The Key Stage 1 Athletics Team performed brilliantly at the recent Sports Hall inter-school event. Well done to Harvey Banks, Fraser Gray, Oliver Madden, August Rankin, Poppy Bedwell, Lucy Blackhurst, Ayda Crilly and Grace Caunce. Well done also to Jake Bragg, Ivy Evans and Louis Radford, who represented the school in the KS1 boccia/kurling festival. They did brilliantly and loved it. Thanks to the staff and parents who went along to cheer them all on. It really helped them to do their best.

Mince Pies/Cakes/Biscuits

A big, big thanks to everyone who has either sent in or promised donations next week for the concert refreshments. Whether they are home-baked or shop bought, they are most appreciated. Thanks for your generosity.



Dog Mess

Once again, we have found dog mess on the school premises. There was mess on the activity trail and mess on the school field. Several children have been very upset and this is unacceptable. The people who allow their dogs to do this are extremely inconsiderate and give dog owners bad name. Please could everyone be vigilant and let us know if they see anyone on school premises with a dog. Let's keep our children safe. Thanks.



School Closes for Christmas on Friday 20th December

2-00pm

There is no Kidz Club on this night.

Thanks.

**School Re-opens
Tuesday 7th January**

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