

# Newsletter

National Anti Bullying Week has been celebrated enthusiastically at Cardinal Newman Catholic Primary School. The children have embraced the theme "All different, all equal," and we have linked this to our school mission statement which reminds us that all children are unique and loved equally by God. Classes have all completed PSHE around friendship at their own age level this week and today we sang together "Count on me" celebrating the positive attributes of friendship. The children were knowledgeable about the different types of bullying and understood that although bullying is very rare at Cardinal Newman, they should tell an adult in school straight away if they ever see or experience it. For parents it is important to remember that cyber bullying is much more likely to happen at home than in school and the NSPCC website has excellent advice for parents if you would like to learn more.

As you will have seen from the separate letter, we are changing our school uniform provider next year and I am keen to hear parental views. Parents have already told us that the current system is not convenient due to not being open in the summer holidays and many have requested online ordering. After a great deal of research and consideration, we have narrowed the choices down to two which have been put out to parent consultation. Please do have a look and fill in your reply slip or respond online if you have any views or comments to contribute.

Finally a quick word about lunches and snacks. Lunchtime staff have asked me to remind everyone that we have a no nut policy in school due to allergies. Please ensure food in packed lunches doesn't contain nuts. Similarly, if your child has a snack before clubs at the end of the day, please ensure healthy choices - fruit or rice cakes are ideal - and don't include any food containing nuts. Thank you for your understanding.

We are looking forward to seeing record numbers of parents in school during "Come Read With Me" next week. As ever, thank you for your wonderful support for your children.

With best wishes Catherine Burnham

## SCHOOL EMAIL/WEBSITE DOWN TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER

Please note that the school internet connection will be down on Tuesday, possibly for the whole day. We won't be able to read emails, send texts or update our website. If you need to contact us please telephone. Thank you.

### **EFFORT AWARDS**

Red	Sofia C	Izzy M	Ruby	Luisa C	Lara S
Orange	Charlie E	Julia R	Topaz	Amelia S	Gabriela M
Green	Cillian A	Rory M	Coral	Florence S	Megan P
Yellow	Christopher B	Amelia C	Opal	Evie C	Lilly M
Violet	Alessandro N	Natalia F	Garnet	Emily Anna R	Maebh K
Blue	Odhran H	Clara G	Amethyst	Maddy M	Olivia A

<u>COME READ WITH ME WEEK</u>—We are looking forward to welcoming parents to read with their children next week. Morning sessions start at 9.00am and afternoon sessions at 2.45pm. You are welcome to bring a book from home and if you would like to read regularly in school, please speak to your child's teacher.

Don't forget the Spelling Bee for Years 2 to 6 on Friday—the words are on the Year Group pages of the website.

**NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER**— We have sent home a letter today about changing our uniform supplier. Please let us know what you think via the tear off slip or the online questionnaire on our website. Thank you.

<u>CHRISTMAS LUNCH</u> If your child has packed or part-time lunches and would like to have a Christmas lunch on Thursday 14 December, please remember to let us know and make payment by today.

<u>YEARS 4 TO 6 CAROL CONCERT</u> A letter about the Carol Concerts and rehearsals for Years 4 to 6 at St Erconwald's was sent home this week. Please make a special note that children must be collected from the church at 3.00pm on **30 November and 7 December**.

<u>ORANGE CLASS REQUEST</u>—Mrs Williams would be very grateful for any donations of unwanted Christmas lights and tinsel for the home corner in Orange Class. Thank you.

ACS COBHAM INERNATIONAL SCHOOL is moving to charitable status so is introducing means tested bursaries for the first time for 2018-2019 entry. ACS is celebrating this milestone by launching a new Global Citizens Award to recognise young people who are making a positive difference in their local and global communities. It is open to children in either Year 5 or 6. There is a prize of £1,000, half of which goes to the child's school. More information can be found at www.acs-schools.com/award or on the flyers outside the office.

# SCITT (SCHOOL CENTRED INITIAL TEACHER TRAINING)

If you are interested in training as a primary school teacher, please look on our website for the latest brochure for the Surrey South Farnham SCITT. There is also a link to their website which includes dates for upcoming information events.

**SHOEBOX THANK YOU** We had 105 shoeboxes collected on Tuesday. A big thank you to everyone who took part—please see our website for a certificate from Samaritan's Purse.

**SPORT THIS MONTH** Our sports teams have had a busy couple of weeks:

**Football:** Our Year 6 boys team reached the quarter-finals of the Royal Holloway tournament on 9 November. The following day both Year 5 (10-1) and Year 6 (4-1) beat their Burhill opponents here at Cardinal Newman.

Netball: Our Year 6 team won 5-2 at Grovelands on 9 November.

**Hockey:** Our 3 + 4 Hockey team played in the Quicksticks tournament at Ashford Hockey Club on Tuesday this week, winning two and losing two matches.

**ELMBRIDGE SHOUT! FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**—please see the attached flyer.

### **PA NEWS**

Please see the attached note about the Christmas Fair and how you can help.

The **Movie Night** raised an amazing £698—thank you for all your support.

**Christmas Cards Project** You will have received all your artwork along with the instructions on how to submit your orders. Please note the deadline is the 20th November. Your orders will then be returned to you during the week of the 27th November.