Dear parent(s)/carer(s)

We would like to keep you up to date about how we are developing our Curriculum. Thank you to those of you who could make our Inspire Sessions – we hope this gave you an insight into what the children are learning and how they are learning it!

What a busy half term we have had! We have worked hard continuing with our Reading, Writing and Maths in our classes and continuing our Come and See and Collective Worship journey. We have also embarked on some fantastic new learning in the afternoons and have really enjoyed our topics in different subject areas. A big thank you the children and adults for supporting the learning at home with regular visits to our home learning platforms. We are very proud of the children in their attitudes to learning and behaviour this term — they have all been fantastic, ready to learn and do their best! We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Evans Assistant Headteacher

Curriculum Focus this Term

This term we have worked really hard with our core subjects and are using our knowledge and understanding of English and Maths across all of our other subjects too. This half term in our afternoon lessons we have covered History, Computing and Science. We have also revisited the other subjects which we covered last Term. The children have demonstrated resilience when learning new things and 'diving deep' into their new topics. We are having a strong emphasis on the vocabulary learned in the topics and are discovering new ways to make the new knowledge stick. You will find our knowledge organisers under 'Revisit and Review' on our website.



Subject Ambassadors

As we visit the Curriculum subjects each class will choose ambassadors for that particular subject – look out for our subject ambassador badges! Last week, some of our Ambassadors presented to Governers about our Curriculum. We were so proud of them – look out for more opportunities like this!

Subject Advocates

Some of our past pupils from St Cuthbert's have volunteered as our Subject Advocates – we are very grateful for their time and effort and to our Governor Mr Magee for helping us to organise this! We are also recruiting adults from our school and local community. If this is something you are interested in being involved in please get in touch with Mrs Evans. Thank you to our volunteers so far - we will be following this up in the coming weeks!

The Teachers have been learning too...

The teachers at our school are committed to their own professional development so that we can deliver the very best to our children. Our Critical Thinking training continues and another training session is coming up soon.

NEVER STOP LEARNING; FOR WHEN WE STOP LEARNING, WE STOP GROWING.

Each teacher at our school is a leader and leads one or more subjects. They have all attended their subject leader network meetings which has given them a wealth of information to bring back to school. Mrs Westhead attended an Early Years Conference and was excited to bring her ideas back to school. Miss Millington and Mr Burton have had some training on reading. Mrs Porter has completed her SENDCO award and is always sharing her expertise! Mrs Higgins, Mrs Pimlott and Mrs Evans have all had dance training offered by Culture Ed – these sessions are great fun to attend. There have been plenty of other professional development opportunities going on with all staff in all areas of school life and we are all looking forward to future training opportunities coming up next half term!