



# Cubbington C of E Primary School

Our aim is as simple as ABC

**Achieving, Belonging, Caring**

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2016

Newsletter No.2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to those who attended the class welcome meetings last week. We hope that you found them informative. You will have received a copy of your child's home school agreement and a form to sign for photo consent. Please can you ensure that these are returned to school as soon as possible. Once you have signed the photo consent form you will receive your SeeSaw login and will be able to start to view your child's online journal. If you have any problems with this then please pop into school and ask for help. We are all very excited about SeeSaw and the way that it helps parents to connect with their child's school life..

You might have noticed that we have had quite a lot of contractors on site over the summer holidays. There were several projects going on that have now all finished. Firstly we had a new extractor fitted in the school kitchen and a brand new kitchen fitted in the staff room. The wall next to the Garden of Eden on the KS2 playground has been underpinned and strengthened. We have had lockers fitted into KS2 and these seem to be working well and enable us to keep the corridors much tidier. We have also totally refurbished the Computer suite including the purchase of 16 brand new computers. Finally we were very lucky to have a new kitchen donated and fitted into St Mary's room in the Old School building. This will enable children to take part in food technology sessions and hopefully will bring the Garden of Eden and school even closer as children can prepare food that has been grown in our garden. Thank you to Dodds the contractors who fitted the equipment and to Mr Saul, one of our governors who made it all happen. We were even in the Courier last week!



## Harvest

Our harvest festivals will be held next Friday in St Mary's church. We welcome parents to come and join us to celebrate in church. If you are able to send your child in to school with a donation for the church harvest boxes we would be extremely grateful.

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### Healthy Food Squad's Harvest Competition

The Healthy Food Squad consists of 2 children from Years 1 – 6. Its aim is to promote healthy eating and food education in school as part of a national scheme. This year our representatives are Jack and Phoebe (Year 6), Ava and Luke (Year 5), James and Tilly (Year 4), Ben and Libby (Year 3), Rafal and Caitlin (Year 2) and Ben and Evelyn (Year 1).

To celebrate Harvest and to link with the promotion of healthy eating, the Healthy Food Squad in assembly today launched a competition open to all children. Children are invited to create a picture, drawing, 3D model or video with the title 'Harvest'. The closing date is Friday 14 October with entries to Mrs Arben. Winners from KS1 and KS2 will be announced before Half Term with prizes for the winners. We can't wait to see all the children's creative ideas.

### Reminders

We have had some children off school with sickness bugs this week. Please remember that it is our school policy that a child should not be back in school for 48 hours after they have been sick.

Please can we remind you to tie girls hair up for school particularly if it is longer than shoulder length.

### Important dates

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** – 7.00pm PTA AGM at school. As a parent of a child at Cubbington C. E Primary you are automatically a member of the PTA and we would love to see you at the AGM and initial meeting. All are welcome to come along and hear how last year went: what they raised, what the money will be spent on plus other highlights and activities. There will also be the chance to join this year's committee if you are interested.

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September** - Harvest festivals: 9.30 KS1 and Reception, 10.30 KS2

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October** – 6.00pm Parents workshop on E-Safety and 'The Taking Care' project. More information to follow.

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October** – Phonics evenings 6.00pm Reception 6.30pm Year 1 and 2

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November** and **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November** – Parents evenings

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December** 2.30pm and **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December** 9.30am – KS1 and Reception Christmas production

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** 2.30pm – KS2 Carol Concert

### Sharing Assemblies

Sharing Assemblies will continue to take place on Friday mornings starting at 9.10am. These are the allocated dates for this term. We hope that you are able to come and join us to find out what your child has been learning about with their class.

14 <sup>th</sup> October	Swallows Year 2
21 <sup>st</sup> October	Hérons Year 4
4 <sup>th</sup> November	Kingfishers Year 3
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Swifts Year 1
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Kites Year 6
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Kestrels Year 5
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Wrens Reception

\*All dates are subject to change and we will let you know as quickly as possible if things have to be altered.

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### **Parent helpers**

If you would like to volunteer to help in class and have not done in the past please contact the office to receive the relevant information and paperwork. New volunteers will require a safeguarding interview with Mrs Jones. If you think you might help during any occasion in school this year it is worth organising a DBS check at the start of the year. Please see Miss Perry in the office to get this started.

I hope that you have an enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards,

Juliet Jones  
Head teacher