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# St. Ethelbert's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

*'Learning, achieving and growing together with Jesus'*

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## Friday News from Mrs Maynard

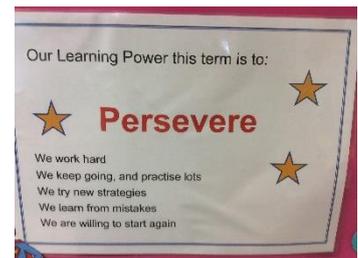
*We have had a busy and hard-working first full week back at school, with all the classes back on their full timetables this week. Our second cohort of Reception children have settled in well, and Key Stage 1 and 2 have started their full timetables this week, with certificates already awarded for a number of pupils. Our clubs have begun, and teachers are looking forward to meeting parents next week to share the curriculum coverage for this term. Pupils have been encouraged to apply for leadership roles within the Chaplaincy and Eco teams, as well as House Captains, School Council and Head Girl and Head Boy.*

### Year 5 and Year 6 Mass

I joined the older pupils for their first Mass of the school year at Holy Redeemer on Tuesday morning. The boys and girls were a credit to our school with their readings, prayers, responses and beautiful singing. The dates for class Masses went out to parents last week. Do try and join us and Fr Chris at the church if you can.

### Learning Power

Each half term we focus on a 'Learning Power' at St Ethelbert's to help the children think about what qualities they need to be effective learners. The first 'Power' is **Perseverance**, which I spoke to the pupils about in assembly on Monday. To be able to carry on trying, even when work is hard, is an important skill that everyone needs to develop. We will continue to focus on how to persevere with work, faith and friendships this half term, and the satisfaction that comes with overcoming challenges. The children have been reminded of the strategies that they can use to help them persevere.



### Daily Mile



During the summer holiday, we had a new walking path installed around the field. We aim to get the pupils to complete a mile of walking, jogging or running every day right through the year which will help with alertness, fitness levels, Vitamin D intake, and get the girls and boys used to daily timetabled exercise. Slough Borough Council has lots of information about ways to keep fit and local activities on their website. Many of these are free to join, so do take a look at what is available.

St Ethelbert's Catholic Primary School and Nursery has a commitment to safeguarding, and the welfare and wellbeing of children.



## Writers of the Week



We are continuing to teach writing through the Storytelling Schools approach where the children learn to tell a story before they start writing it. Well done to the following pupils who have already impressed their teachers with their storytelling and story mapping.

1Y- Aizenosa Tai 1I- Alexandra Hasa 2M- Karol Smulski 2S- Ayush Swaminathan 3PC- Isabella Lacson 3PG- Martyna Balicka	4D- Allyssa Mae Mechure 5E- Rayan Singh 6C- Renay Ankumah 6D- Gloria Kunnel
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## Clubs for next week

<b>Monday</b>	KS2 Football KS1 Dance Uni Hockey- Sign up still available
<b>Tuesday</b>	KS1 Football Netball training
<b>Wednesday</b>	Activities Club Football training
<b>Thursday</b>	Dodgeball/Benchball

**All clubs finish at 4.30pm, pupils must be collected by an adult from outside the main office door.**

## Meet the Teacher

Parents have the opportunity to meet their child's class teacher on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September**, and to find out about the curriculum that will be taught this year. There are two sessions, 3.30pm-4.00pm and 4.00pm – 4.30pm to accommodate parents with more than one child. The meetings will be held in one of each of the year group classrooms.

## Uniform

Please ensure your child is in correct uniform each day for school. All pupils in Year 1 and above need to wear a tie. Hair accessories should be kept to a minimum, all hairbands must be brown, black or navy. Socks are white, grey or black. Tights are grey or navy. All pupils need a St Ethelbert's logo school jumper.

PE kit is essential: plain white t shirt, navy shorts or joggers, plain navy sweatshirt for cold weather, plimsolls or plain trainers.

**Please label all items** – all jumpers and ties look the same!

## Safeguarding Update

Please remind your child that any photos, videos, or messages they share on social media platforms are being shared with a potentially global audience, and that their digital footprint cannot be erased easily. Children should not post anything they would not want their parents or teachers to see. Anyone can screenshot or save a video or picture and share at a later date, even after the original has been deleted.

Our school staff member with responsibility for safeguarding and welfare is:

**Mrs Laura McAlpine, Safeguarding and Pupil Wellbeing Officer**

If you wish to speak to her, please make an appointment via the school office.

God Bless

**St Ethelbert, pray for us**

**Mrs Maynard**  
Headteacher

