# St Catherine's Chronicle

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#### <u>A note from Miss Murray</u>

Welcome to the second edition of the St Catherine's Chronicle. Our Newspaper Club have been working so hard this term (including using their own free time at home and during breaks) to bring you this fabulous edition. We hope you enjoy reading this. If here are any topics you would like our journalists to cover in coming editions then please let them (or me) know!

# <u>Class prayers in St Catherine's – Diana and Michelle</u>

We celebrate prayer in many ways at St Catherine's. Each class plans their own class prayer. During prayer times 4-5 people plan the worship they will lead for the class. We try to think of creative ways to pray. During this planning time, the rest of the class usually reflect in their prayer journals to calm and quiet music.

The biggest prayer we have is our Celebration of the Word on a Monday morning. We gather together as a whole school family in the sports hall to listen to the word of God. This a great moment of shared reflection.





Some examples of the wonderful prayer the children of St Catherine's have led.



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#### <u>Lunch at St Catherine's - Diana</u>

In St Catherine's you have the choice to decide if you want to have a school meal or pack lunch. Reception-Yr2 can get free school meals too! The school lunch at St Catherine's is amazing, it is phenomenal and delicious and the school cooks have great experience with so the food is really good.

#### <u> Junior Joe's – Bella and Haniya</u>

Our school is starting a new playtime experience called Commando Joe's. Junior Joe is a group of students (who are in year 4,5,6) that have an opportunity to help with the younger ones at break time. They set up games and fun activities for all years. Our fabulous year 4 teacher, Miss Barnes, leads the Junior Joes. Our junior joes have uniform which makes it easy for you too see them if you need help or want to play one of the games they are going to do. They have a blue hi-vis and a cool cap that says Junior Joes.



The St Catherine's Junior Joes.

# Let our news shine bright!



#### <u>Clubs at St Catherine's – Dawood and Diana</u>

In St Catherine's we have a lot of clubs including: Football Club, Afterschool club, Puzzle Club and a lot more. These clubs help us to feel happy and energetic. Below is a short description of just some of the clubs we offer at St Catherine's;

#### Access Coaching

Access coaching is a school favourite club in St Catherine's because it consists of many sports including, football, tennis, volleyball, dodgeball, archery, fencing, and much more.

#### Football Club

Football club is another amazing after school club which helps your child become an extremely skilled footballer. If you like football you can ask your parents to let you join football club. Amazing warm-ups, super skills all coached by NUFC (Our coach is Evie).

"I think it's really fun because it's an extra thing you can do and there's lots of games to play" – Kayan (Year 5)

#### <u>Mandarin Club</u>

Mandarin club is a club where you can learn mandarin, learn traditional paintings to paint, learn traditional activities for you to do at home, learn about the mandarin culture, and you have fun! *"It's wonderful to learn and there's so much fun and games!"* – James (Year 6)

#### After School Club

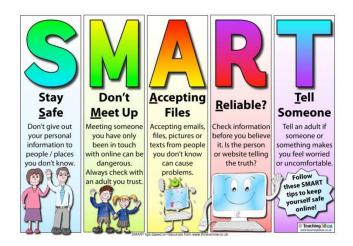
After school club is a very nice club because sometimes when your parents are very busy at work, in St Catharine's you can go to afterschool club. Afterschool club is all about playing and having fun they also give you snacks there so you won't be hungry.

#### Online Safety - Olivia

At St. Catherine's, we are always making sure our children are safe when online. Across the year, we have some assemblies and lessons that teach us all about staying safe online.

#### **TOP 5 TIPS FOR STAYING SAFE ONLINE:**

These are some tips for staying safe online. You may think you can trust any website, person or app but some might be trying to trick you for your data, money or for any personal information. Here are the top 5 tips or anyone to



#### <u>Our wonderful teachers - Dimitra</u>

Teachers play a significant role in shaping our lives and we are fortunate as a school to have so many teachers who leave a lasting impact on the students at St. Catherine's primary school. A teacher is not just a guide but a mentor, a friend and a source of inspiration. They look out for the students, help them, understand their requirements, and most importantly motivate them. They guide us through it all. We are so lucky to have kind, compassionate teachers that are purely the best. Miss Hoey was right to hire them. *"It's the teacher that makes the difference, not the classroom"* – Michael Morpurgo.

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#### <u>Trips - Emma</u>

At St Catherine's we love to go out and about, learning through trips.

Every class go on trips throughout the year, we go to so many different places including museums, science centres, church and even France! Here are what some of our students thought about some trips this year;

"Year 6 went to the graveyard to find gravestones of fearless soldiers who fought in wars like world war 2. We learned a lot of information about the soldiers who died in the wars." - Asa

"Year 4 went to Segadunam to learn about the life of Romans. It was fun and exciting to be there. We think it was the best day of our life." – Lin and Isaac

Year 5 visited the Centre for Life - *"This was the best trip of my entire life. Thank you miss Murray"* - Diana













#### <u>House Groups – Bella and Haniya</u>

Our school has house groups, the House Groups are named after four Saints; St Bede, St Cuthbert, St Aiden and St Hild. Our House Groups can get very competitive at times - as you already know the children are very eager to win! We do many activities in our house groups such as celebrating Chinese new-year and National Storytelling Week. We do many more activities which you can see on our school Facebook page.



St Cuthbert's house group celebrating Chinese New Year

#### <u> Joke section - Dimitra</u>



1. What do you call a noodle who puts on a moustache and pretends to be his dad?

2. What does your computer do for lunch?

3. What is a witch's favourite subject?

4. Why does maths make students sad?

5. Why did the scientist remove her doorbell?

- 1. An IMPASTA!
- 2. Has a byte!
- 3. Spelling!
- 4. Because it's filled with problems!
- 5. She wanted to win the NO-bell prize!