



Autumn 1 Week 1-3

SCFM NEWS



Dear Families,

Welcome back! It's always lovely to see the children excited on those first few days, with their shiny new shoes and their uniforms looking super smart. Children are already settling well in their new classes and making the most of new learning opportunities. I've popped into lessons across school and seen everything from birthday cakes (playdough made!) in EYFS, to maths with numbers in the millions in Year 6.

Last week we celebrated our Welcome Mass with Father Austin where together we prayed for the year ahead and asked God to help us in our SCFM mission to follow Jesus through the sign of the cross. The children read and sang beautifully. I'd like to say an extra special welcome to children new to our school, particularly those joining us in Nursery and Reception, I'm looking forward to getting to know each and every one of you.

This week Year 6 and Reception presented their Buddies Worship. It's a special tradition here at SCFM where we pair up our eldest children with our youngest. They share experiences throughout the year and make memories that genuinely last a lifetime. In the worship, Year 6 introduced their buddies to the school and it was a treat to see how excited they all were with these new friendships.

I'm looking forward to all the exciting things we've got coming up. I hope you and the children are too.

God Bless, *Mrs Varley*

Our Certificate winners

Week 2:

Reception: Abdul & Zidane

Year 1: Anya & Amelia

Year 2: Huda & Ayra

Year 3: Amaal & Elvis

Year 4: Armaan & Hidayah-Noor

Year 5: Zayn & Enoch

Year 6: Unaysah & Isabella

Week 3

Reception: Amirah & Musa

Year 1: Eshaal & Zakariya

Year 2: Zayan & Hester

Year 3: Ava & Uzair

Year 4: Noor-Ul-Ayn & Eisa

Year 5: Luluah & Mofe

Year 6: Alexia & Jakub

Our Virtues
for Autumn 1:

Love of Learning
Citizenship

Attendance

Thank you, parents and carers, for helping children arrive each day ready to learn. Every school day brings opportunities to build knowledge, grow in confidence and enjoy friendships.

Department for Education research found that Year 6 pupils with 95–100% attendance had 30% higher odds of meeting the expected standard in reading, writing and maths than similar pupils with 90–95% attendance.

This is a brilliant start to the year — let's keep working together to give every child the best opportunity to flourish! If your child is finding attendance difficult, please speak to us so we can help.

This year for each week that your child attends every day their name will be entered in our half termly prize draw.

Week 2

97.4%

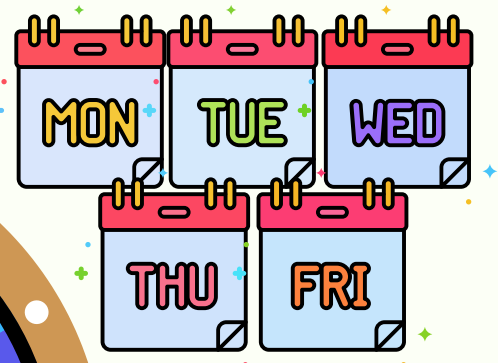
181 pupils in every day

Week 3

95.6%

178 pupils in every day

100%



Winners wheel



WHAT'S ON...

ROCK STEADY

ROCK AND POP BAND LESSONS

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ROCKSTAR DAY

MATHS ROCKS!

MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER

St Cuthbert's

BAKE OFF

FRIDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2026

Do you make the best brownies?
Are your cakes the talk of the town?
Could you be St Cuthbert's Bake Off Champion 2026?

Bring in your homemade baked goods on the morning of Friday 9th October, clearly labelled with your name and year group.

All entries must be in batches to serve around 10-12 people.

Judging will take place before lunchtime with the winners announced in the afternoon.

All delicious bakes will be available to buy at the **Bake Sale** in the afternoon from **2pm**.

CLUBS...

Book Club

Every Tuesday in the Library

Everyone welcome!

SCFM

CHESS CLUB

Every Thursday in the shared area

SCFM's YOUNG VOICES

Come and rehearse a range of exciting songs ready for the upcoming concert!

Every Friday lunchtime in Year 3 with Miss Pickles



We need your help...

Do you have some free time? Want to help support our school in our fundraising efforts? Whether you're a dab hand at crafts, full of creative ideas or just willing to lend a hand, the 'Friends of SCFM' need you!

Add your name to the list in the Reception Office or speak to a member of staff about signing up. Our next meeting will be **Enter date**

TALK TO US

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please get in touch:
Call: **01274 543445** or email: **office@scfm.bcwcat.co.uk**