



Cusgarne School Bulletin

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Dear Parents,

It has been a challenging week with children displaying a range of symptoms, including those colds and autumn bugs that present themselves at this time of year, combined with the ongoing challenges of the pandemic which seems determined to affect all our lives in different ways. But through adversity and with determination, I wish to thank all my team and you as our community for helping to prevent these issues escalating beyond our immediate control. I thank you all for your understanding and support in arranging PCR tests and reporting results to us, so that we can be in no doubt that together we will keep this at bay and remain fully operational as a school community.

On Monday next week we have a visiting artist/potter that will be running workshops in every class throughout the day. The children will be creating work from clay to form an art installation in the courtyard of Frogpool Chapel. We are excited about this opportunity and community collaboration, as it forms an underpinned part of what we as a school believe in and broadens our children's experiences. We know that they will feel pride in their work being displayed in a public community space for all to admire. Please could I ask they bring in an old plain T-shirt to wear during the workshops to stop the messy clay getting on their uniform.

Although we have not been able to celebrate Harvest as a whole school again this year, the children would like to mark the occasion by thinking of others, and by donating to support the local food bank. This decision has been made by the school council, following feedback from their classes.

On Friday this week, or on Monday or Tuesday next week we would like children to bring in food items that we will donate to the local food bank.

We have a new member of staff that started with us on Monday as our new school secretary, alongside Mrs Hall - I would like to welcome Mrs Sleeman to the Cusgarne team, I know that she will be a huge asset to our school, and the children have already been making her feel welcome!



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Huge congratulations to the children who have been appointed School Council representatives from each class. I know they will do a terrific job and I believe they have already had their first meeting – see some information about their plans below.

The Friends of Cusgarne School are holding a fundraising event next week – details included below in the newsletter. Some new committee members have taken the helm and already have lots of exciting idea and plans, so keep an eye on their noticeboards on the school gates! As always, I and the rest of the staff are so grateful to the Friends for everything they do.

Reminders!

On Monday we have the nasal flu immunisation team visiting school. Please make sure you have given your consent by completing the online form emailed to you. Please can these be completed by Friday 15th October if you wish your child to receive the nasal spray.

Face Masks

Please can I remind you all to wear a face covering when entering the school premises, this includes the school playground. This is to ensure the safety of staff, pupils, and yourselves. Thank you very much for your understanding.

Parent Teacher Consultations

These consultations will be held via telephone, and we will be in touch shortly with dates, times, and how to book.

Lastly, a gentle reminder that we have two school inset days next week, so we break up for half term at 2.45pm on Wednesday 20th. After school clubs will continue as normal next week on Monday and Wednesday. I hope you all have a great weekend!

Mr Barnard

School Council

On a lovely sunny morning this week, the School Council met outside in the Gazebo to speak about the ways in which they will help improve our school. They came up with the following ideas:

Target 1- Recycling: School Council wish to remind parents that all crisp packets can be placed in the bin outside by the bottom gate. These packets are then recycled and contribute to fund raising for school. Also, each class is going to



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reintroduce paper recycling. This is part of our drive and awareness for our children of the importance of making small changes to make a big difference in this time of climate change.

Target 2- Harvest: Although the children know we can't hold a Harvest Festival this year, they are asking all parents to give their child some food to bring into school from Friday and/or Monday or Tuesday next week, so that School Council can give it to the foodbank.

Target 3- Children in Need Day (November 19th): School Council are planning to hold a non-uniform day and hold a cake sale, to raise money for this cause. The Council will meet again after half term to discuss Children in Need Day further, and more details will follow via the Newsletter.

Target 4- School Council would like to improve the sports equipment in the playground and are going to ask the year 6s to run some lunchtime sports clubs.



Kingfisher Class

Kingfisher class have been finding their topic the Ancient Mayan Civilisation fascinating. They have particularly enjoyed finding out about Mayan architecture and looking at the Mayan ruins in Central America using Google Earth.

Here are the fantastic Mayan masks that they have made and are proudly displayed in the hall.



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Friends of Cusgarne

We are delighted to advertise our first fundraising event of the year.

On Tuesday 19th October, the children are invited to come dressed in their clothes but wearing Autumn colours. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £1.

We are also hosting an Autumn cake sale at Frogpool park, on Wednesday 20th October, 3pm-5pm. Teas and coffees as well as a delicious selection of cakes, will be on sale. There will also be a variety of games to play, each game costing 20p per go.

This is going to be a great opportunity for the Cusgarne school community to meet, eat cake and raise some money for our school. Your support is invaluable, and we couldn't run these events without it, so thank you.

Donations - we are asking for donations for our cake sale. There will be drop off points before and after school, outside the school gates, on the Wednesday, or you can bring them straight to the cake sale.



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We look forward to seeing you all at the cake sale, and we can't wait to see the children dressed in Autumn colours on Tuesday.

Thank you and happy baking!

The Friends of Cusgarne

Pottery workshop

The artist working with the children next week is holding a pottery workshop for the local community on Wednesday 27th at Frogpool Chapel, between 10am – 3pm. This is a free of charge drop-in activity for people of all ages 😊.



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