



St Aidan's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 10th July 2026

Head Teacher's Message

It has been another hot and very busy week with our Y5 and Y6 production, Rock Steady Concert and Y3 Sound Start Concert at Fairfield Halls – what talent we have at St. Aidan's!

'Living and growing in Christ'



Thank you to those parents who were able to attend our end of year Mass. Well done to the pupils who were nominated for the Harris Plate Award.

On Monday we are excited to welcome our new Reception Class for a settle in session. All our pupils will spend some time with their new teacher for September.

Have a lovely weekend,

God Bless,



St. Aidan's School Value this term: Diversity

This half term our school value is 'diversity'. Our School Councillors and Prayer Leaders have been looking out for children giving examples of showing respect this week.

Aife O'R-S (Y1) - for respecting the school rules

Albert P (Y2) - for being kind whilst playing football

Keyaan N (Y4) - for always showing kindness to all his friends

Lyra F (Y6) - for being brilliant in the Y5/6 play

Harris plate Nominations and Winner

At the end of each academic year the class teacher nominates a child for a special award. There is then one overall winner. The nominees for the academic year 2025– 2026 are as follows:

Rec – Seren M-P

Year 1 – Zoe D C

Year 2 – Albert P

Year 3 – Ezra B

Year 4 – Alessia L-S

Year 5 – Louie L

Year 6 – Eoin D

A huge congratulation to our well-deserved overall winner.....**Eoin D.**

Important dates for your diary...

13th July	Transition Day for all year groups and new Reception
14th July	9.30am Y1 Class Assembly
14th July	Netball Club Catch up Session
15th July	Art & Craft, Tennis, Spanish, Junior Football Club Catch up Sessions
15th July	5pm Y6 Leavers Mass at school with Father Peter
16th July	Y6 Festival Afternoon— Y6 ONLY MUFT!
16th July	Thursday Woodland Warriors Club and Palace for Life Club catch up Sessions
17th July	1.45pm School Closes for Summer— Y6 ONLY MUFT!

Our Value this term :

DIVERSITY

Y3 Sound Start Concert



On Monday evening Year 3 showcased all their wonderful learning in their music Sound Start lessons this year with an impressive strings performance. Mr Stanley was very impressed with the children and what a fantastic experience to perform with other schools at Fairfield Halls. Well done Year 3!

Thank you to Mrs Budgen for organising this event.

Thank you to Mr Stanley, Mrs Bradley and Mrs Montavez for accompanying the children and to the parents for helping to get the children there in the evening.



ABC's Gaelic Football Competition

On Friday 3rd July, our Gaelic Football team took part in the ABC's Gaelic Football Competition in Sunbury - what a fantastic day! The team played so well together, all getting stuck in, passing the ball to each other and having such fun. They worked hard and they won every single one of their matches on the day - champions!

Thank you to Mr Topson, Mrs Costa, Mr and Mrs Dooan and all of the parents that helped to take the children there and back and for supporting them.



Year 5&6 Grossbusters Play



When I walked into the hall , I knew we were in for a treat, but I was completely blown away. From the very first line to that spectacular final bow, the energy, confidence, and sheer joy on that stage were something truly magical.

To our wonderful Year 5 and Year 6 pupils: I could not be more proud of you. Standing up on this stage takes immense courage. I know I certainly wouldn't be brave enough to sing and dance the way you did! We saw children who are usually quiet and reserved absolutely step into the spotlight and own it.

You brought the town of Normsville to life with perfect comic timing, fantastic acting, and phenomenal singing. But more than that, you reminded us all of the play's wonderful message: that our differences are something to be celebrated. You worked together cohesively as one and that is what makes this school so special. Whether you were a main character, part of the choir, or operating the lights backstage, every single one of you was vital to making this show a monster hit.

A huge thank you to the staff for all your hard work and giving these children an experience to remember.





Year 6 Trip to the Royal Institution

On Wednesday, the Year 6 pupils travelled to the Royal Institute of Science. We took the train there and on arrival we were flabbergasted by the brilliant science equipment. Firstly we made bath bombs using sodium bicarbonate, citric acid, colour and scent. We added the ingredients to the mould and then put them in the oven to rest for half an hour.

Next we made lip balm and learnt how to carry out a safety patch test. The lab experiments were amazing! We had the best time! Thank you to all the teachers for organising this brilliant school trip and to the parents who helped accompany us.

Report by Joseph M (Y6)



Rock Steady Concert

What another fantastic Rock Steady Concert we were all treated to on Thursday! The musicians and singers performed brilliantly and it was a pleasure to watch how far they have come - it is always one of the highlights of each term!

We will miss the Rock Steady Year 6 children, many of whom have been part of the bands for a long time - you should all be proud of that last performance! A big thank you to the parents who came to watch and a huge thank you to Band Leader Ryan who makes each and every lesson fun and inspiring.



Year 2 - Great Fire of London

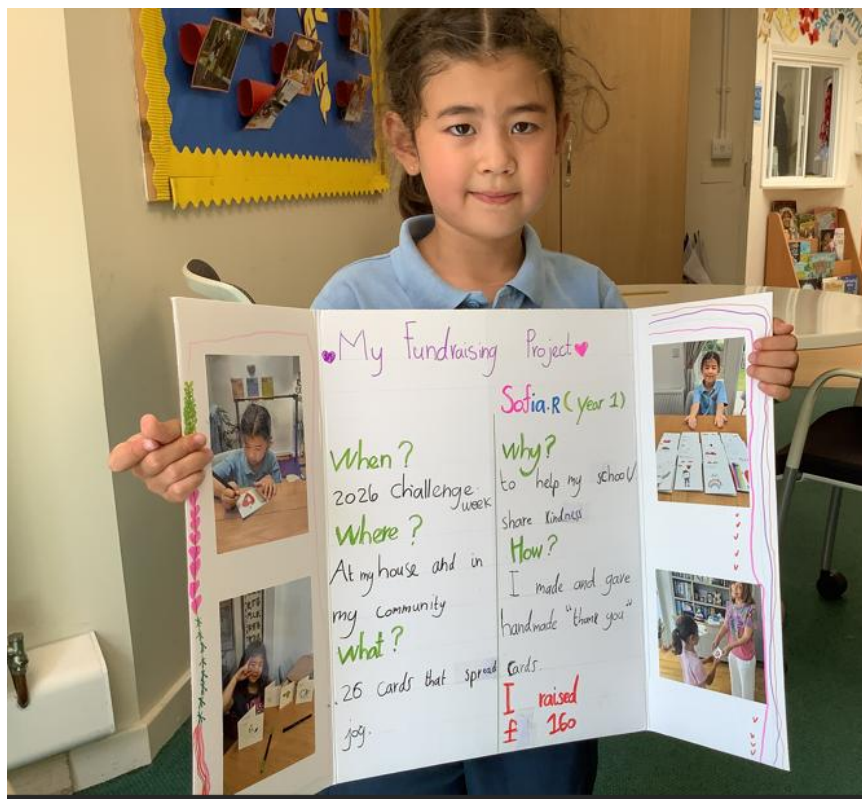
Year 2 brought history to life by designing and building their very own Tudor houses!

We then safely set the houses alight to show how quickly the Great Fire of London spread along 'Pudding Lane' - a dramatic and memorable way to learn!

All of the children had a great time watching the flames spread.

Catholic Social Teaching

Our Reception class have collected coins to help children who are victims of poverty or war for the 'Mission together' charity.



Sophia in Year 1 has raised £160 by making kindness cards. Sophia this is amazing. We are so proud of you!!

Author Visit

Next week on Thursday 16th July, 13-year-old Jeriah Boateng is visiting our school. Jeriah is a rising star in both football and literature. A talented attacking forward for Brighton & Hove Albion's academy since the age of 7, Jeriah brings passion, creativity, and leadership to every match. Off the pitch, he has become a powerful young voice through storytelling.

Following a personal experience of racism in his school canteen, Jeriah wrote *Back in Time*, a story that explores injustice, courage, and hope. His writing struck a chord and earned him the Premier League Academy Young Writer of the Year Award for the 2023/2024 season. As part of his prize, the Premier League Trophy was brought to his school in a special celebratory visit. The award-winning story became his debut published book. It has sold over 950 copies worldwide, reaching readers in countries such as Japan and Canada.

Motivated to help others share their stories, Jeriah launched his own publishing house, *Legacy Line Publishers*. His goal is to support other young authors while continuing to write more books of his own. His work highlights the challenges young players face, especially around racism, and encourages resilience, confidence, and purpose.

Jeriah has appeared live on [ITV London](#) and was featured in a special mini-documentary on [ITV Meridian](#). Most recently, he was invited to interview ex-England Manager Sir Gareth Southgate in front of 1,500 people at Penguin Presents at the Royal Festival Hall. The event marked the upcoming release of Southgate's new book, *Dear England: Lessons on Leadership*, which will be published later this autumn.

Jeriah will talk to the children in an assembly and will be selling his book on the day for those who will want to buy it. If children are interested, please bring in £10 cash on the day in a named envelope.



SASA Message

Here's the latest update from SASA on our final fundraising events of the year.

Your Fundraising at Work

Thanks to all your fundraising efforts this year, the school has new PE equipment on the way, school security has been improved and the field is now sports day worthy! We have also been able to provide paint for a new wellbeing area in the playground area.

More Ways to Support the School:

Easyfundraising: Access your favourite retailers including Amazon, Argos, Boots, Domino's, Waitrose, JustEat, M&S and many more through [Easyfundraising](#).

School lottery: You can sign up to play [here](#). The draw takes place every Saturday and we have on average three winners a month.



This Week's Awards at St Aidan's

Well done to everyone who received an award this week.
We are very proud of you!



St Mary: Jude R

St Francis: Robyn-Grace S

St Joseph: Evelyn M

St Bernadette: Maria Adele C S

St Theresa: George G

St Peter: Sienna B

St Paul: All of Year 6

St Mary: Cass R-I

St Francis: Nylah H

St Joseph: Beau M

St Bernadette: Teddy G

St Theresa: George T

St Peter: Darcey O'K

St Paul: Lyra F

