



St Aidan's Catholic Primary School Newsletter - Friday 14th March 2025

Head of School's Message

Another busy week, all our children were treated to a drama workshop on Thursday (see flyer attached to the newsletter email). The children learnt how to project their voices for different audiences.

Year 1– 6 will be coming home with their Geography and History books, please remember to leave them a comment in their book. The children have enjoyed sharing their parent comments in class from their Science and RE books. Looking forward to seeing many of you

Have a lovely weekend,
God Bless,
Mrs Hughes

'Living
and
growing
in Christ'



St. Aidan's School Value this term: Self Belief

This half term our school value is 'self belief'. Our School Councillors and Prayer Leaders have been on the lookout for children giving examples of showing self-belief.

Well done to the following children:

George T (Y3) - For always listening and being kind all the time

Rosario C (Y4) - For being kind and friendly to everyone

Sienna B (Y4) - For having a positive attitude to everything

Isaiah (Y6) - For taking care of the Reception children

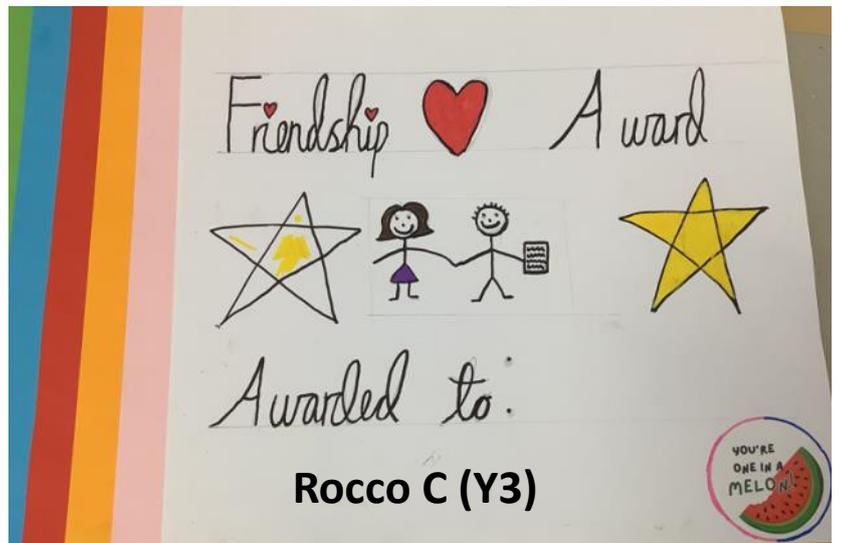
Important dates for your diary...

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| 15th March | 9.00am Woodcote Cross Country Race 2/3 @ Oasis Academy |
| 17th March | Y6 trip to Royal Institute London |
| 19th March | Y5 and Y6 Gaelic Football Session 2/3 |
| 20th March | 9.15am Y1 Class Assembly - Y1 parents welcome |
| 21st March | Reception class trip to Coulsdon Library |
| 21st March | Y5 Confessions with Father Peter |
| 21st March | MUFTI - SASA School Disco |
| 25th March | Y1 trip to Coulsdon Library |
| 26th March | Y5 and Y6 Gaelic Football Session 3/3 |
| 27th March | 4.15pm Drama Club end of term performance - drama parents welcome |
| 28th March | 9.30am Reception Class Assembly - Reception parents welcome |
| 28th March | Y6 Confessions with Father Peter |
| 28th March | SASA Mothers Day Sale |
| 2nd April | 2pm The Passion Service at St Aidan's church - All parents welcome |
| 2nd April | Save the Date - Workshops for Parents - 'Managing Anxiety in Children' |
| 4th April | School Closes for Easter holidays at 1.45pm |

Our value this term is

**SELF
BELIEF**

Friendship Ambassador Award



Children Who Read, Succeed!

We love hearing about all the fantastic books children are reading and enjoying. Some of the children will be sharing their recommended stories with a book review.

Valentina (Y5) has reviewed *George's Marvellous Medicine* by *Roald Dahl*. Please see what Valentina thinks of this book in the document attached to the Newsletter email.



Reception - Forest School



Parent Workshop

All parents and guardians are welcome to attend an information event around supporting your child in managing feelings of anxiety. This will include practical and hands on activities you can try at home.

We are offering a **9:30am and 6pm** option to attend on **Wednesday 2nd April** and invite you stay for refreshments and informal chats with Mrs Esparon and Mrs Ryan afterwards if you wish.

Please email the school office to inform us if you would like to attend and which time slot.



Netball Match v Coulsdon CofE

On Tuesday we were invited to play a netball match against Coulsdon CofE. We enjoyed playing the match though their teams were hard to beat. Despite losing, our team played really well and showed commitment and good communication. Thank you Miss Zographou and Mrs Ryan.

Report by Charlotte O (Y6)



Netball Match v Keston

On Wednesday we played two matches against Keston Primary School. We drew our first match 1-1 and our second match we won 4-1! We were so happy! They were very tight matches and everyone played their very best! Thank you Miss Zographou and Mrs Ryan.

Report by Eva O (Y6)



Basketball Competition

On Monday, our basketball team travelled to The Quest Academy for our schools first basketball tournament.

We played five games against a series of different school. Although we had never played a competitive match before and the first time playing as a team, we won one of our games 5-4 and lost the others, but the score lines were incredibly close.

We did our best and really enjoyed ourselves! Thank you Miss Zographou for entering us into this competition.

Report by Reuben O (Y5)

Reception and Y6 Reading Partners

Reception class enjoyed reading their letters that they had written to their Y6 reading partners.



Football v Chipstead Valley

On Friday, we played a football match against Chipstead Valley. It was a tense start. St Aidan's passed the ball beautifully through the team and St Aidan's smashed it into the goal for us to go 1-0 up. From there, we continued to play well as a team and ended up winning the match 4-0. Well done St Aidan's! Thank you Coach T.

Report by Delaneo R (Y6)

Football v Woodcote

On Tuesday the St Aidan's football team travelled to Woodcote Primary School for the final league match of the season. At half time we were 1-0 up but early in the second half Woodcote scored a fantastic free kick from a long way out. After a tightly fought game, the final score of a 1-1 draw was a fair result. Despite not winning, we were so happy to finish our final league match as our Division Champions!! We are all so happy to have won our division after all our positive teamwork throughout the season. Thank you Coach T!

Report by Stanley (Y6)



Cross Country

At the weekend, Imogen (Y6) competed in the Farthing Downs Primary School cross country race and finished in a brilliant 2nd place! A fantastic achievement Imogen - we are all very proud of you!

Year 5 - Greek Food Day

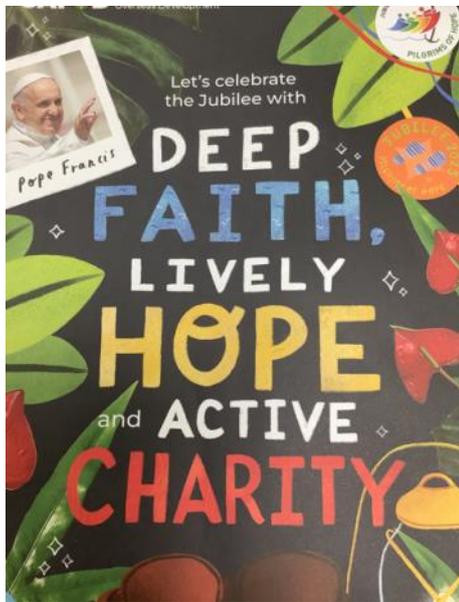
Children in Y5 enjoyed Greek Day in class this week to tie into their history topic learning about Greece. It was a really exciting day and we got to try lots of different food from Greece such as humous, tzatziki, feta cheese, taramasalata, Greek yoghurt, honey and apples and we all really enjoyed it!

Miss Zographou came into our class later in the day and taught us the Greek alphabet and how to write our names using Greek letters and symbols. It was such a fun day and a great learning experience. Thank you to the teachers for all their hard work

Report by Valentina N and Bethany H (Y5)



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WALK 200KM IN 40 DAYS TO HELP FIGHT GLOBAL POVERTY

BIG LENT WALK

We are asking children to take part in a sponsored walk throughout Lent to raise money for CAFOD.

This can be done as a family, on the weekend or after school. Share the just giving page with family members and please send in photos of your child completing their walk so we can celebrate these in assembly.

Good Luck Everybody! Please donate here:

[St Aidan's Big Lent Walk Fundraising is fundraising for CAFOD](#)

St Aidan's Big Lent Walk Fundraising

Donate to this fundraiser



My story

We're taking part in The Big Lent Walk, please sponsor us!

Your donations can change lives. Every £1 raised through the Big Lent Walk will help fight poverty globally in countries like Afghanistan, Colombia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and South Sudan.



SASA Message

We hope you had a good week. Nice to see the sun making an appearance!

2025 challenge

Our 2025 challenge is now live! Log into ClassList for the latest details. We look forward to hearing about how the children have participated in the challenge. Use the sponsorship form attached to the newsletter email to record their fundraising efforts.

Friday 21st March – Disco

There is just one week to go to our school disco. Times are as follows:

KS1: 3.30pm - 4.30pm

KS2: 4.45pm - 5.45pm

Tickets are £3 and are available to buy on ClassList. There will be a tuck shop at the disco where children can buy treats, drinks and glow sticks.

As with all our events, it is your time and effort that help them make a success. If you can spare just half an hour on the day to help out we would really appreciate it. Watch out for the Volunteer lists on ClassList.

Saturday 22nd March – Golf Day

Huge thanks to David Whittaker for arranging a fundraising golf day at a local golf course. Entry fee to participate is £60. Contact David on 07876147023 to register your interest.

Friday 28th March - Mother's Day Sale

Our Mother's Day Sale is a chance for the children to buy a gift for someone in their family for Mother's Day. Children can bring cash on the day or buy tickets on ClassList (available to buy now) and spend the amount of the ticket on a gift. Tickets are available to buy on ClassList. Any help you can give on the day to help us run the sale would be gratefully appreciated.

Please sign up on ClassList.

Monday 31st March - Uniform Sale

As we head into the summer term, you will have an opportunity to pick up pre-loved summer uniform items for a fraction of the cost of buying them new. If you have any unwanted summer term uniforms you would like to donate, please drop them off at the office.

Taskforce Day

We are arranging dates for next term to do some work on the pond area to make it a nice space to hang out in and to paint the outside of the school. We would be grateful for your help. Email info@staidanssa.co.uk to register your interest. Dates to be confirmed.

Easy ways to keep supporting the school

Playing the school lottery: Sign up [here](#)

Shop online through Easyfundraising: Access your favourite retailers including Amazon, Argos, Boots, Domino's, Waitrose, JustEat, M&S and many more through [Easyfundraising](#). Every purchase you make earns the school a percentage of the sale, at no extra cost to you.

Raise £100 by booking a holiday with TUI: Simply access the TUI site via Easyfundraising website or app, book your holiday and our school will receive a £100 donation. This applies to any bookings made during March.

Thank you for your continued support.

SASA



This Week's Awards at St Aidan's



As the week comes to a close, we would like to celebrate all those children who have achieved something amazing. From football to swimming to athletics, our children never fail to amaze us with their talents.



St Mary: Phoebe J

St Francis: Sadie O

St Joseph: Joseph G

St Bernadette: Celina L

St Theresa: Eliana A

St Peter: Mia D

St Paul: Santi C



St Mary: Amy C

St Francis: Liam O

St Joseph: Stephanie H

St Bernadette: Alessia L-S

St Theresa: Max V

St Peter: Isabelle M-F

St Paul: Harriet D

Excellent Learners