



Headteacher's Message

It has been a very busy week this week, hosting the General Knowledge Quiz and parents evening - it was lovely to see some parents at parents evening this week.

The children are all very excited for the fireworks tonight, we hope to see many of you there and hopefully it stays dry!

Look out for RE books and English books that are coming home with your child today, a chance for them to talk to you about their work. Don't forget to leave them a little message!

Have a lovely weekend.

God Bless,

Mrs Hughes

'Living and growing in Christ'



Parking reminder - Please park SAFELY

This is a polite reminder to ask parents to refrain from parking on the yellow zig zag lines.

This causes an obstruction and we have Year 6 children walking to and from school unaccompanied. Please be mindful of your parking and do not park dangerously.

Important dates for your diary...

20th November	Pantomime visit to the school
20th November	Parents Evening 2
21st November	Y6 Class Assembly at 9.15am
21st November	Y6 hosting Pre-Loved Sale for all children during the school day
26th November	Y6 school trip to Imperial College
28th November	Y5 Wonder Dome visit to the school
3rd December	School open morning at 9.30am
4th December	2.30pm Rock Steady Concert to parents
5th December	MUFTI DAY - bring chocolate for the Christmas fair
5th December	Singing Club Performance to parents at 4.10pm
10th December	Nativity to Reception class parents at 10m
11th December	Nativity to Year 1 class parents at 10am
12th December	MUFTI DAY - bring bottles for the Christmas fair
12th December	Christmas Fayre 4.30pm - 7.30pm
15th December	School Carol Service at 6pm
17th December	School Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
18th December	School open afternoon at 2pm
19th December	School Closes at 1.45pm

General Knowledge Quiz

On Wednesday, we hosted a general knowledge quiz for the Croydon Catholic Schools.

The teams entered included one child from Year 3, 4, 5 and 6. Our teams did very well and we are so proud of all the children.



Remembrance Day

On Monday we marked Remembrance Day with a minute silence. Here are some of the beautiful tributes the children have done in class.



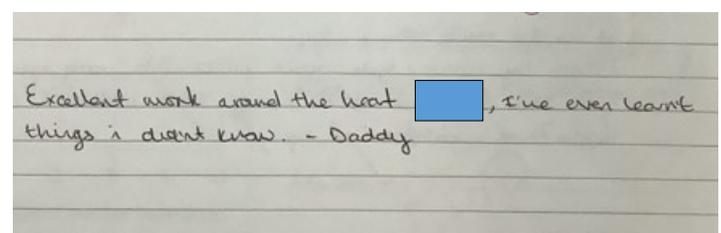
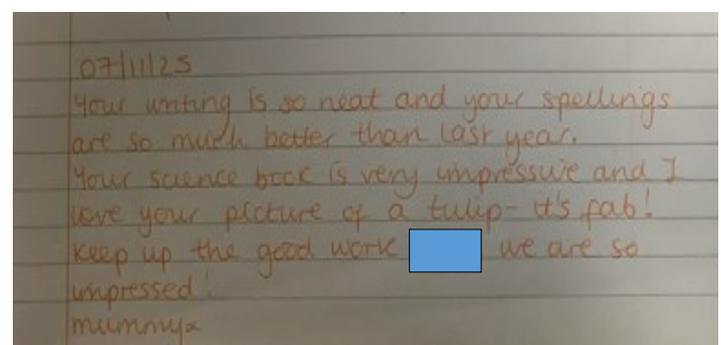
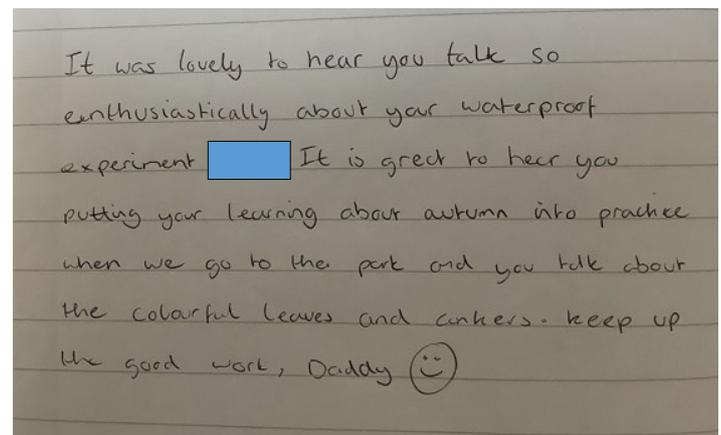
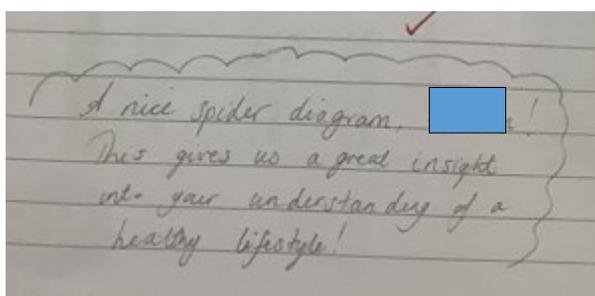
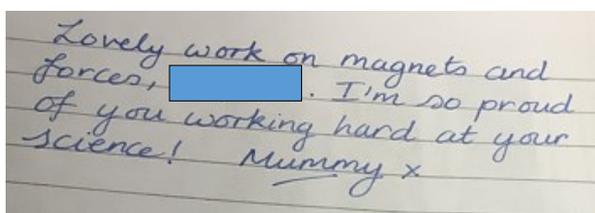
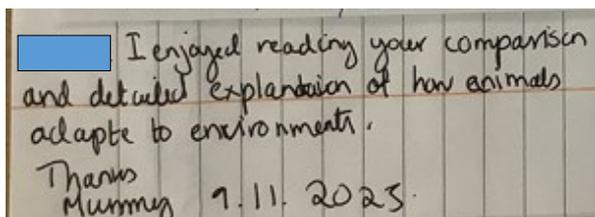
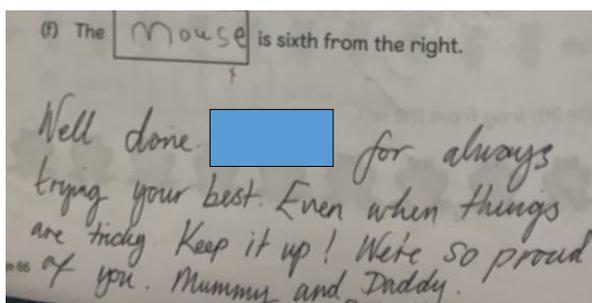
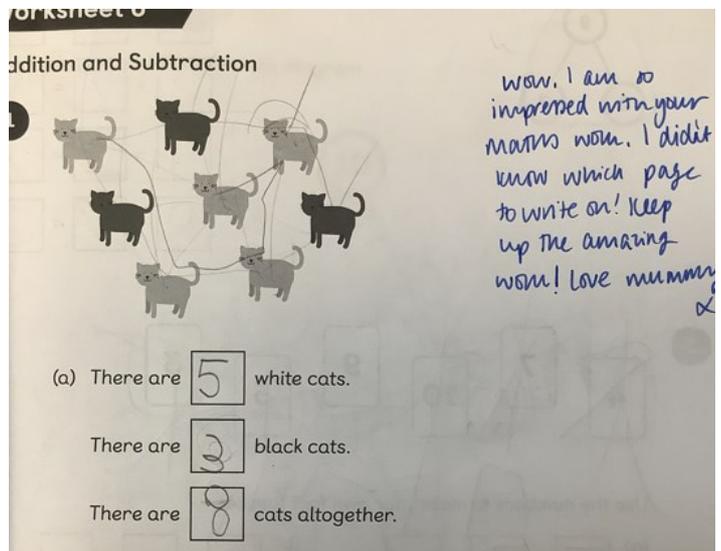
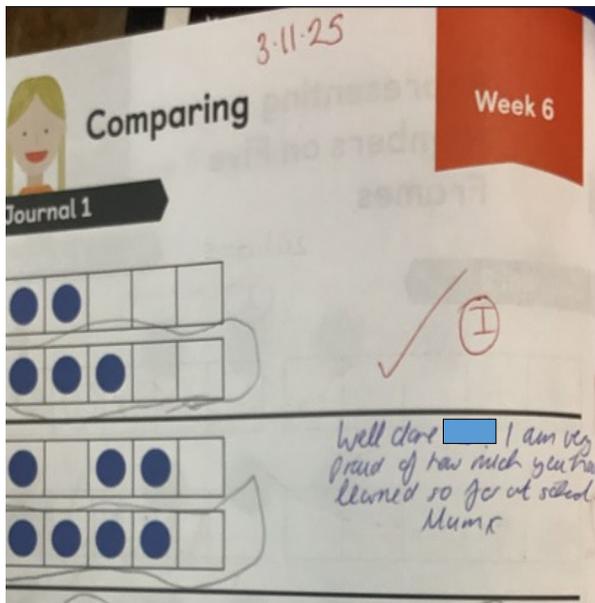
St. Aidan's Class rep meeting...



You said...	Our actions...
<p>We would like to see how the children are performing in spelling tests.</p>	<p>Spelling books will be sent home termly alongside other books and, where possible and appropriate, incorrect spellings will be highlighted.</p>
<p>Are Year 1 allowed to bring in their own fruit snack?</p>	<p>Although KS1 children are provided with daily fruit, children in KS1 can bring in their own fruit into school. (no other snacks).</p>
<p>Missing milk deliveries mean that children are not receiving milk daily.</p>	<p>Missing milk delivery has, from our records, been very rare and is beyond the school's control. However, parents should contact cool milk directly for a refund if a milk delivery has been missed.</p>
<p>Some parents' parking is dangerous and obstructive.</p>	<p>The newsletter this week will highlight areas where parents should not be parking. We will also be adding car number plates of dangerous parking to our newsletter.</p>
<p>We would like to know school diary dates with more notice.</p>	<p>Where possible, we will endeavor to send out important dates with as much notice as we can.</p>

Parent comments in Pupil books

Thank you to the parents who left their child a note in their Science or Maths books this week. Here are some examples:



Parent Comments in Pupil books Continued

How many conkers do they have in total?



$5 \times 5 = 25$ ✓

They have 25 conkers in total.

(b) A jeweller makes 10 bracelets. Each bracelet has 10 beads. How many beads are there altogether?



$10 \times 10 = 100$ ✓

Dearest teachers
Thank you so much
for all you do
to support, teach
you are all amazing
and it's so good to
see the result of
your efforts in
our
growing children.

from
[redacted]
mum
xxx

Good subtraction
[redacted]. Keep up
the good work.
Mummy.
9.11.2025

Amazing science learning [redacted] You
were super proud of this learning
and told me all about this
picture and labelling at home.
You are becoming an incredible
scientist. Keep up ^{peels} the amazing
learning. Love
Mum xxx.



9/11/25 Wow [redacted] this is very interesting
I've loved looking through your
science book. I can see you have
learnt lots about plants, and it
is lovely that you help look after
our plants at home too.
Your writing and spelling is
brilliant too - well done and keep
up the good work.

Year 6 are holding a 'pre-loved' sale!

As part of our Geography curriculum and RE Catholic social teaching, Year 6 have been learning about sustainability. This means protecting the Earth and its resources for the future.

Inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'*, the charity CAFOD works in many countries across the world to support local communities in looking after the natural world. You can read more about their work here: <https://cafod.org.uk/about-us/what-we-do/climate-and-the-environment>

To support CAFOD, Year 6 will be holding a 'pre-loved' sale. In advance of the sale, we invite all children to bring in donations of items that they no longer need, use or want. These will then be sold to raise money for our chosen charity.

From **Thursday 13th November – Thursday 20th November**, we will be collecting donations of:

Toys
board games
jewellery (*no earrings for pierced ears*)
soft toys
books
dressing up costumes
unwanted gifts e.g. candles, toiletries, hair accessories

Please make sure that all donated items are in good resalable condition.

On **Friday 21st November**, the 'pre-loved' sale will take place during the school day. Please send your child in with a small amount of money (maximum £3) in a named purse or envelope to spend at the sale. All items will cost 50p or £1.

Thank you for supporting our Year 6 class.



Dear Parents and family members,
The children of St. Aidan's wish to invite
you to our Advent Carol Service.



Venue: St. Aidan's Church
Date: Monday 15th December
Time: 6.00pm



SASA Message

Fundraising Update

Our big project this year is to **replace school iPads** with newer models that can support the latest programmes children are using as part of their learning. We have raised £114 from the uniform sale and huge thanks to the Golf Dads who raised £200 just before half term.

We are grateful for your regular donations through the school lottery, easyfundraising.com and your direct debits. If you haven't signed up yet, see below.



Christmas Fair - 12th December

Prep is well underway for our annual Christmas Fair. Raffle tickets will be sent home next week and will be on sale at the Fireworks Night event. If you have a raffle prize to donate contact info@staidanssa.co.uk, we would love to hear from you.

Thanks to Jen Blackburne who is putting together hampers for sale at the Christmas Fair. These hampers make ideal Christmas gifts and are a great fundraiser for the school. If you have any items to donate for the hampers such as: biscuits, jams, mince pies, Christmas food treats, bubble bath, shower gel, hand soap, candles, perfume, makeup or any other items suitable for hamper drop them off at the main office or breakfast/after school hut by **30th November**.

Elfridges Sale - 17th December

Each year the children have an opportunity to buy a Christmas gift for their parents, carers or siblings at the Elfridges sale. You can send in cash or buy tickets up to a certain value per gift (usually around £5), More to follow on this nearer the event.

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.

Direct debit donations: Contact info@staidanssa.co.uk for a form. Remember that these donations can be gift aided, which means the school receives additional funds at no extra cost to you.

Thank you for your support.

SASA



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: Hugo M

St Francis: Eve G

St Joseph: Sara C

St Bernadette: Santiago B

St Theresa: Rocco C

St Peter: Max V

St Paul: Vanessa S

St Mary: Imogen S

St Francis: Cora P

St Joseph: Sophia P

St Bernadette: Beatrice B

St Theresa: Florence D

St Peter: Betsy H

St Paul: Valentina N

Excellent Learners

