



Head of School's Message

We hope to see as many of you as possible at our Christmas Fair on Sunday from 12pm– 3pm.

Have a lovely weekend,

God Bless,
Mrs Hughes

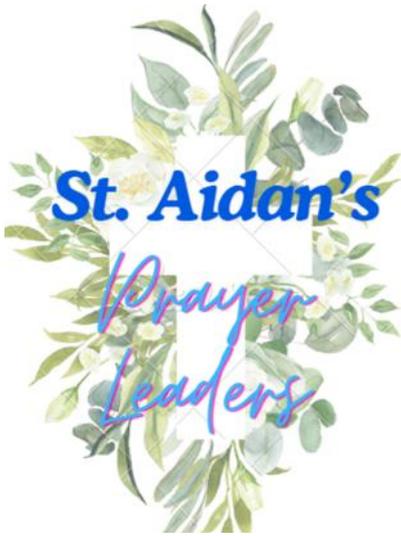
'Living and growing in Christ'



St Aidan's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 6th December 2024

'Be Kind and Respectful'



School Councillors and Prayer Leaders in Year 5 have been on the lookout for children following our school rule and they wanted to mention someone who has shown kindness and respect to others:

Lucia N - Year 5

Charlie F - Year 5

Important dates for your diary...

8th December	12pm - 3pm Christmas Fair
10th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal to the School
11th December	10am Nativity for Reception Parents
11th December	Christmas Jumper Day (MUFTI) and Christmas Lunch
12th December	10am Nativity for Year 1 Parents
12th December	SASA Elf-ridges Sale
12th December	4.15pm Drama Club Presentation to Drama club parents
14th December	9am Re-arranged Woodcote Cross Country Race 1 of 3
16th December	6pm Carol Service at St Aidan's Church - all parents welcome
18th December	Open Afternoon 2pm
19th December	9.30am Rock Steady Concert to the Rock Steady parents
20th December	1:45pm School closes
7th January	8.45am School Opens
10th January	9.30am Open Morning
13th January	Y4 start swimming lessons



St. Aidan's Sin Burning Service

As part of our preparation for Christmas, during Advent we think about the times we need to say sorry.

Year 4 and 5 went to the Church this week for a special Advent Service.

The children wrote down things they are sorry for and Father Peter burnt them outside.

Thank you to Father Peter.



Winners of the 2024 Challenge

Congratulations to Beau and Riley from Year 1 who won the SASA 2024 Challenge.

Excellent work boys!



Football Match

We travelled to Byron school to play a football match this week. With some good passing from St Aidan's, great crosses from our wingers and impressive goals from many of our team we won this match 6-1. Well played everyone! Thank you Coach T for all your hard work.

Match Report by Joseph (Y5)



Two Netball Matches



On Thursday, the netball team went to The Hayes school to play two netball matches. We lost the first match against their A team but went on to win our second match!

Report by Harriet (Y5)



Bike Ability

This week, some children from Year 5 and 6 took part in a bikeability course. We learnt all about how a bike works and we learnt how to safely ride on the roads.

Thank you to the instructors for teaching us these very important skills!

Report by Isabelle (Y5)

Special Prayer

Ethan from Reception and his family will be on ITV local news at 6pm this evening. Make sure you tune in to show your support. Good Luck to Ethan and his family.

All the staff and pupils at St. Aidan's are praying for you.

Reception and Year 1 Trip to see the Travelling Nativity at Woldingham School



On Monday our Reception and Year 1 pupils travelled to Woldingham school to see the travelling Nativity.

"It was exciting, it was fun and we met Mary, and the shepherds." Pheobe (R)

"We saw Shepherds - they had sheep."

Sophie (R)

"I saw a donkey." Jude (R)

"The wise men gave us a gem." Alex N (R)

Thank you to all the parents who came to help. Thank you to the staff for taking the children. A huge thank you to Woldingham school and Wintershall who funded the transport for us.



Reception and Year 1 Nativity



Dear Parents and Grandparents,

You are invited to attend Reception and Year 1's Nativity performance of 'Hey Ewe!' on Wednesday 11th December at 10 am for Reception Parents and on Thursday 12th December at 10am for Year 1 Parents.

We look forward to welcoming you,

The Reception and Year 1 children





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



Date: **Monday 16th**
December

Time: **6pm**

At: **St. Aidan's**
Catholic Church



Prayer Leaders Advent prayer



Dear God,

Because you love us so much, you sent your only Son into the world to be with us. Help us to wait in hope with joyful hearts for his coming and to share your hope with others. Thank you for my friends, Thank you for my family and my teachers, Thank you for this special season of Advent, **Amen.**



SASA Information and Key Dates

2 More Sleeps Until Our Christmas Fair!

It's shaping up to be a fantastic afternoon. Join us from 12pm to 3pm a week from Sunday for an afternoon of games, music, bingo, food, drinks, face painting, Christmas jumper sale, arts & crafts and much, much more.

Tickets - There are just a handful of tickets left for Santa's Grotto and the Dragon Shelter. Book now if you would like your child to take part. Both events are pre-book only, tickets will not be available to buy on the day.

Dragon Shelter information - The Dragon Shelter will take place in the after-school club hut. Please arrive at the hut 5 minutes before your scheduled time so that we can keep the sessions to time.

Raffle - In a slight change from previous years, we will be selling raffle tickets at the Christmas Fair and running the draw in a week's time, not during the fair. Full list of prizes will be revealed at the fair on Sunday.

Hampers - Thanks to your generous donations of toiletries and beauty products, Mrs. Blackburne has put together amazing hampers to sell at the fair. They make ideal Christmas gifts, snap them up quick on the day – when they're gone they're gone!

Donations and volunteers - Thank you to everyone who donated drinks for our drinks tombola today or who donated any hamper or chocolate tombola items, raffle prizes, toys or Christmas jumpers. Your donations go a long way to making this fair a success. As always, we need your help to make sure the event runs smoothly. Just half an hour of your time on a stall makes a huge difference. Volunteer lists are up on ClassList please sign up!

Elf-ridges Sale

Our final big event of this term is the Elf-ridges sale which takes place next Thursday. For anyone not familiar with our Elf-ridges sale, it is an opportunity for the children to do some Christmas shopping for a few members of their family. We set up a stall in the school hall for children to buy gifts from. Parents and carers can give their child a cash allowance of £5 per gift, or purchase tickets for the same amount on ClassList. Volunteers help guide purchases and wrap the gifts for the children to take home. Tickets will go on sale on ClassList over this weekend.



Other Ways to Fundraise

You can also support us by:

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

Shopping online through our fundraising link [here](#). Easy-fundraising partners with most retailers including Amazon, Argos, Boots, Dominos, Waitrose, JustEat, M&S and many, many more. All you have to do is make an online purchase by accessing the website via easyfundraising and the school get a percentage of the sale. It's a win win, particularly this week during the Black Friday sales.

Stay Connected

Download the **ClassList** app to buy event tickets, check updates, and stay involved with all our activities.

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: May S M

St Francis: Emily C

St Joseph: Beatrice B

St Bernadette: Emily S G

St Theresa: Sienna B

St Peter: Alexis G

St Paul: -



St Mary: William W

St Francis: Nicholas C

St Joseph: Caleb F

St Bernadette: Aren O

St Theresa: Lily B

St Peter: Fearne O

St Paul: -