



St Aidan's Primary School

A Church of England Academy

Headteacher: Mrs Debbie Greenwood

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Kelly Harrison

Newsletter 23 – 8th March 2024

World Book Day and our Vocabulary Parade

Wow! –The pupils excelled themselves with their 'Dress as a Word Day' words and creative costumes. Thank you all for your support with our World Book Day event. Please check Class Dojo to see our Vocabulary Parade and photos.

£1.00 book tokens were sent home with your child on Wednesday. They are redeemable at the following shops:

- Asda
- Sainsburys
- Tesco
- The Works
- Waterstones
- WHSmith



World Book Day - Most interesting word competition

Well done to our 'Dress as a word' day competition winners for the most interesting word! The winners were Abbie & Paige.

They will receive a Waterstones voucher and will be taken into town to spend it with Mrs Greenwood! Followed by a Costa visit to discuss the books they have chosen.

Outward Bound Residential

All final balances should have been paid by Friday 1st March, however there are still a few outstanding. If you have an outstanding balance this **MUST be paid by Monday 11th March**. Please make payment via the School Money App. **The trip is only 10 days away.**

Comic relief

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RELIEF**

We will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 15th March to raise money for Comic relief. This will cost £1 per child or £2 per family.

School Council Easter Bingo



We are pleased to be holding our annual School Council Easter Bingo night again. This will take place on Monday 25th March from 6.00pm - 8.00pm in the school hall. The first game will start at 6.15pm.

Please book onto this event using the link: <https://staidanscofe.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Parents Evening – Rec/Y1/Y2/Y5/Y6

Parent's evening will be held over 2 days, Tuesday 26th March and Wednesday 27th March. This is an important opportunity for you to come and talk to your child's class teacher about the progress they have made so far this year. To give you more time to discuss your child's progress, Appointments can be made from today via our online booking system: <https://staidanscofe.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Unfortunately, due to Miss Hunt's absence, Year 3's Parent's Evening will be postponed until she returns. We will inform you of the new date in due course.

Norfolk Street, Mill Hill, Blackburn BB2 4EW Tel: 01254 53148
www.staidansblackburn.co.uk

Talk and Tales Years 1 and 2

This is an opportunity for parents of children in years 1 and 2 to come into their child's classroom and enjoy the class story with them. A time to see oracy in action and engage with your child's reading.

Talk and Tales started a couple of weeks ago and it was lovely to see a few of our parents in school, supporting their child with their reading.

The sessions run every Wednesday at 3.00pm. Please sign in at the office.

Christmas Pantomime 2024 – Jack And The Beanstalk



We have booked our yearly trip to Blackburn Empire Theatre to watch Jack And The Beanstalk Pantomime on Thursday 5th December, for our current Reception – Year 5 pupils. The cost of this trip is **£7.00** per pupil.

We appreciate the current rise in living costs and we have found over the years that parents don't make the payment(s) until December, when this is already a busy and expensive time for everyone, so we have added the payment to Schoolmoney now, to give you the opportunity to spread the cost into affordable weekly/monthly payments or alternatively pay the amount in full. It is nice to see that quite a few parents have already made the payment-thank you.

For example: paying just 50p per week for 14 weeks or £1.00 per month for 7 months will have one child paid well in advance and without feeling the pinch!

Head lice



These cause much frustration amongst parents. Every school in the country has to constantly contend with this menace. **To try and control the spread of head lice our policy is to contact parents of children who are seen to have head lice so that they can be collected, treated and returned to school. In most cases a child can return to school the same day.**

Please remember, if head lice are found then it is important to check every family member in the household and to check again a week later.

Please note that **we will authorise a maximum of half a day's absence for head lice to be treated.** Thank you for your support in this.

FOUR STEPS TO LICE-FREE LIFE:



1: INSPECT

If you suspect head lice, check



2: TREAT

Use lice treatment product as directed.



3: REMOVE

lice/nits by combing the hair with the comb provided.



4: CLEAN

home and personal items.

Please can we ask that children with long hair try and keep it tied up tight, either in a ponytail or plait to try and prevent Head lice

Library Book Time



Thank you to the parents who have attended the Library sessions for pre-school children. We have 1 week of Library sessions for pre-school children left which will be held at Mill Hill Library on Tuesday 12th March from 2.45pm-3.15pm.



Let's Go Sing!

A wonderful performance from the Year 5 and Year 6 children who sang at the concert held at King George's Hall last night along with other local schools. They were absolutely amazing and sang every song with great gusto! They were all fantastic ambassadors for our school.. Thank you to all parents/carers who attended the evening, I am sure you agree it was a fabulous performance.



Blackburn Rovers Women's Football

For anyone wishing to support their local women's football team, the next home game at Ewood Park is on Sunday 24th March. Let's help them to break their attendance record!

St Aidan's Church & GFS

There will be no GFS club on the 15th & 22nd March. It will start again after the Easter Holiday on Friday 19th April.

AND NOW IT IS THE THREE BISHOP FAITH HOPE AND LOVE BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE

March 24 Leaflet

SUNDAY	DATE	TIMES	SERVICE	READER & READINGS
3rd of Lent	3rd	9.30 & 11am	Holy Communion	Exodus 20 V 1-17 Malc
Mothering Sunday	10th	9.30 & 11am	All Age	?
				Elaine
5th of Lent	17th	9.30 & 11am	Holy Communion	Jeremiah 31 31-34 Hebrews 5 v 5-10 Audrey
Palm Sunday	24th	9.30 & 11am	Holy Communion	Mark 11 v 1-11 Marion

MINI SPRING FAIR
23rd March 11am -1.00pm
 We need: tombola & Raffle prizes, hamper items and Easter eggs, please

MISSION STATEMENT
 "Having Christ at the centre of all we do as we share our love and faith and serve all"

SATURDAY 23rd MARCH

MINI SPRING FAIR

10am - 12.00noon
 in ST. AIDAN'S CHURCH

EASTER RAFFLE DRAW

TOMBOLA STALL

Class Trips

As part of the pupils theme work, class trips have been organised for the following classes:-

Y4 – Martin Mere on Monday 18th March 2024.



Please note: A packed lunch will be provided by the school for pupils who normally have a school meal. Trips are also being arranged for other year groups and you will be informed of these in due course.

ALWAYS House Statistics

ALWAYS following the school rights this week:

HODDER	CALDER	BLAKEWATER	RIBBLE
100%	98%	98%	98%

Dates for the Diary

Library Time-Pre school children

Comic Relief

Outward Bound residential

Y4 - Martin Mere trip

Easter Bingo

Parent's Evening (Rec/Y1/Y2/Y5/Y6)

Easter service in Church

School closes 1.15pm

Tuesday 20th February – Tuesday 12th March

Friday 15th March

Monday 18th March-Friday 22nd March

Monday 18th March

Monday 25th March

Tuesday 26th March & Wednesday 27th March

Thursday 28th March 9.00am

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Congratulations!

Well done to the following children for being chosen to receive an award this week:



	Stars of the Week	Headteacher's Award Winner Christian Values
Reception (Miss Rigby)	Shams & Esme H	Grace
Year 1 (Miss Kay)	Isaac Blanka	Mia
Year 2 (Miss Brindle)	Ava Oliver-James	Lexi-Lou
Year 3 (Miss Hunt)	Killian Cole	Willow
Year 4 (Miss Yates)	Alfie Avery	Bruno
Year 5 (Mrs Moss)	Joshua Cooper	Fraser
Year 6 (Miss Cornall)	Aslan Vanessia	Harley

Kind regards

Mrs D Greenwood
Headteacher