



# St Aidan's

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Newsletter

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**Friday 13th June 2025**

Headteacher: Mrs Kelly Harrison

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Hayley Hargreaves

## **A Fond Farewell to Sam**

It's with a mix of sadness and gratitude that we inform you that next Friday 20th June Sam is moving on to the next chapter of his career at Wigan Football Club after 5 years of being part of the St. Aidan's team.

We know many of your children, and indeed you yourselves, will miss Sam. His PE lessons were always a highlight in the children's week. Beyond the curriculum, his dedication to our after-school clubs fostered a passion for physical activity and teamwork in countless students. And, of course, we will all miss his general silliness and the laughter he brought to the school every day.

We wish him all the very best in his exciting new role at Wigan Football Club. We know he will continue to inspire and make a difference wherever he goes.

## **Talk and Tales Years 1 and 2**

The sessions will run on the following dates after the half term break:

Tuesday 24th June

Tuesday 8th July.

Please keep an eye on updates/reminders posted on class dojo.





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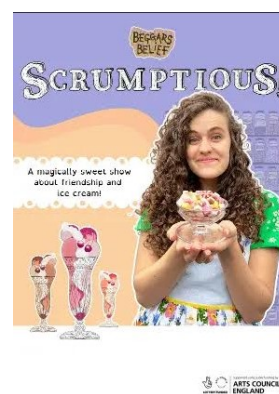
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## **SCRUMPTIOUS in school!**

We're thrilled to offer our children a fantastic opportunity to see the delightful theatre show, 'SCRUMPTIOUS!' This charming and funny musical play explores themes of change and friendship through the story of Sylvie and her sweetshop. We thought this was a great time for the show as our Reception-Year 5 children prepare themselves to move into new class and for our year 6 children who head off to high school.

Thanks to Arts Council England funding, we can bring this high-quality show from Beggars Belief Collective (part of the renowned M6 Theatre for Children programme) to our school for a significantly reduced cost on Monday 14th July 2025. To make this special event happen for our children, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of just **£1 per child**.

Payment is to be made via the Teachers2Parents app no later than Monday 30th June.



## **Father's Day in Reception class**

Thank you to all parents/carers who joined us for the Donuts for Dads rhyme time this week for Fathers Day. It was lovely to see so many of you in school.





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## **Year 4—Swimming**

Next week is Drowning Prevention Week. The children will be learning about water safety and will need to take a set of clothes with them. Please make sure your child comes to school next Thursday with:

- T-Shirt
- Shorts
- Long trousers
- Long sleeve top

Nothing too heavy or thick and no pyjamas!



## **Year 2 and Year 6—Youth Zone**

All children in year 2 will have brought home a form for the Youth Zone. Please can we ask that this is completed and returned to school by Friday 20th June. All forms **MUST** be completed before our visit on Tuesday 24th June. Thank you



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## Dates for the Diary

### Monday 16th June

Sports day

### Thursday 3rd July

Moving up day (Rec-Y5)

### Thursday 10th July

Y6 Leavers Production 2pm &  
6pm

### Friday 11th July

Reports sent home

Wednesday 16th July

Y6 Leavers party 6pm,

### Thursday 17th July

Leavers service in church 2pm

### Friday 18th July

Awards Assembly

**School closes 1.15pm**





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## **Overdue Balances on SchoolMoney**



**PAYMENT REMINDERS:** There is currently a lot of outstanding debt on pupil accounts for school dinners, breakfast club and trips. Balance reminders are sent out weekly.

We would like to kindly request that all outstanding balances are paid via SchoolMoney before school closes for the summer break on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025**. We must point out that any outstanding debt after Friday 18th July will be sent to Cidari Multi Academy Trust for debt recovery.

## **Sports Day**



St. Aidan's annual Sports Day will be held in the school playground on Monday 16th June.

Infants (KS1) will start at 10.30am and Juniors (KS2) will start at 1.15pm.

The children will be competing in their house teams, so if you have a T-shirt in their house colour, can they please wear it. **Please do not buy one specifically for Sports Day** they will be able to wear their PE kit. The children can come to school dressed in their PE kit and if the weather is hot, please ensure that your child wears a sun hat or cap and brings in sun cream and a bottle of water.

**If we have to postpone due to bad weather we will send a text to all parents/carers.**

Parents/Carers are invited to watch. Please sign in at the office first. We look forward to seeing you!



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## Summer HAF

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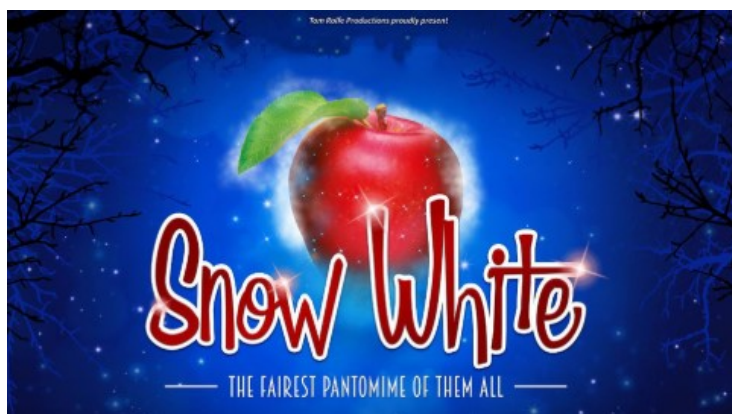
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## **Christmas Pantomime 2025—Snow White**

Our yearly trip to Blackburn Empire Theatre to watch the Snow White Pantomime is on Monday 1st December. The cost of this trip is **£7.00** per pupil.

It's great to see that some parents have already paid—thank you.

We appreciate that Christmas has only just been and gone and we know that you don't want to be thinking about next Christmas or you don't want to make any payment(s) until closer to December, when this is already a busy and expensive time for everyone, so with this in mind we have added the payment to Schoolmoney now to give you the opportunity to spread the cost into affordable weekly/monthly payments or alternatively, if you wish, you can pay the amount in full.







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## Attendance Matters

Attendance is **NOT** optional

There is an expectation that children are in school **EVERY** day.



Overall School Attendance Target is **96%**

Actual Whole School Attendance this week is **91.5%**



Well done to Y3 who had the best attendance in the school last week!

Enjoy your extra playtime!



### Weekly Attendance

REC	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
93.14%	89.13%	95.68%	96.43%	86.67%	91.95%	94.83%

### Weekly Lates

REC	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
0	4	1	4	5	6	1



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## Class Trips



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

**Rec—Smithills Farm**

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.

## House Statistics



ALWAYS following the school rights this week.

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



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## Congratulations

	Stars of the week	Values In Practice award winners (V.I.P's)
<b>Reception</b> (Miss Keegan)	Abdul & Rowan	Pixie-Lou
<b>Year 1</b> (Miss Kay)	The whole class	Jacob
<b>Year 2</b> (Miss Brindle)	Chloe & Olivia	JJ
<b>Year 3</b> (Mr Eccles)	Asma & Demi	Ellyjah
<b>Year 4</b> (Mrs Picken)	Layla K & Wiktor	Skyla
<b>Year 5</b> (Mrs Moss)	Ahmad & Ava-Sue	Emmie
<b>Year 6</b> (Miss Cornall)	Israel & Fraser	Reece

Kind Regards,

*K. Harrison*

Headteacher