



S† Aidan's Primary School A Church of England Academy

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Newsletter 35 – 23rd June 2023

Important news about the school day

To comply with the government's expectation that all pupils will be in school for 32.5 hours per week, **from September 2023** we are extending the school day. Therefore school will **start at 8.50am** (Doors are open at 8.40am) and will **finish at 3.20pm** (5 minutes later than we currently finish).

Afterschool clubs

Next week is the last week for Multisports and Ambassadors afterschool clubs. Dance and Gymnastics club on a Tuesday will finish the week after, Tuesday 4^{th} July.



Dinner money charges

Unfortunately due to rising costs we are having to increase our dinner prices from £2.30 to £2.41 per day, £12.05 per week (the first increase in 3 years). This is effective from 12^{th} June 2023.

Sports Day



St. Aidan's annual Sports Day will be held in the school playground on Wednesday 28th lune

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!

Year 6 Transition days



All Year 6 pupils have transition days at high schools from next **Wednesday 5th July until Friday 7th July.**

Parents should have received letters from the high schools which provides general information about what the children should expect.

Pupils must be in full St Aidan's uniform unless told otherwise by the high schools.

<u>Year 6</u>

On Thursday 29th June year 6 will be walking 5K around Witton Park to raise money for Rossendale Hospice. Year 6 are dedicated, determined and focused on making a difference to those with life-limiting illnesses. All money raised will help the hospice to provide the best possible care and support. They are hoping to raise £500.00 to the 'To Benefit Rossendale Hospital' fund. Please make your donation

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/staidanschurchofenglandprimaryschoolblackburn?utm_id=1&utm_term=Nbzg4GbBB

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via the JustGiving Crowdfunding page and help us to make this happen.

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Outward Bound 2024

REMINDER-the deadline for confirming your childs place and paying the £40 deposit is Friday 30th June



Spaces are filling up. Any parents/carers of pupils in the current Years 4 and 5 will have received an electronic letter/form regarding the residential trip taking place from 18th March 2024 – 22nd March 2024 to The Outward Bound Trust in Ullswater.

This trip has been heavily subsidised bringing the cost per pupil down from £513.75 to £180.00.

There are only 36 places available for this trip. Please complete the online consent form and pay the non-refundable £40 deposit via SchoolMoney to secure your childs place by **FRIDAY 30th June 2023**.

School Milk

The parents/carers of pupils in the current Reception and Year 1 classes should have received a text message this week with a link to the online consent form requesting whether or not your child requires milk in the autumn term (from September 2023). It is extremely important that this form is completed by Monday 17th July, to enable the office staff to order the correct quantity of milk for September. If you do not complete the online form, milk will not be ordered for your child next term.

Reception class 23/24

We still have a few places available. If you would like your child to start at St Aidan's in September or you know of anyone who could be interested you are welcome to come and have a look around the school. Please contact the school office to arrange this.

Christmas Pantomime 2023 – BEAUTY AND THE BEAST



We have booked a trip to Blackburn Empire Theatre to see Beauty and The Beast Pantomime on Thursday 7th December, for our Reception – Year 5 pupils. The cost of this trip is £6.50 per pupil and is payable via Schoolmoney.

Don't forget we have split the payment into 6 instalments giving parents the choice to spread the cost over a period of time, making it more affordable. If you wish to make the payment in full

you can do so buy clicking on the $^{\prime+\prime}$ symbol against each instalment which will add a total of £6.50 to your basket.

Payment can be made anytime between now and 1st December.

Employment and Training Support

For any one that may be interested, Great Places Housing Group are currently running a weekly job club at Mill Hill Community Centre.

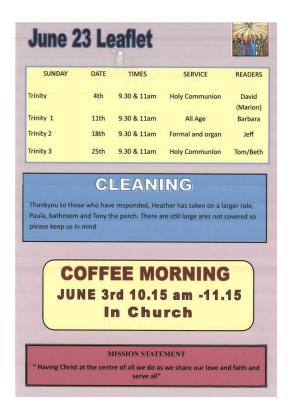




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St Aidan's Church



Class Trips

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



Y2 - St Anne's beach

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
96%	100%	98%	96%

Dates for your diary

Sports Day

Yé 5K walk at Witton Park

Ye trip to St Annes beach

Year 6 Cathedral Leavers' service (10.00am)
Wednesday 28th June

Thursday 29th June

Tuesday 4th July

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Transition days for high schools - Wednesday 5th July-Friday 7th July

Reports sent home

Ye Leavers production (2.00pm & 6.00pm)

Ye Leavers party 6.00pm

Ye Leavers service in Church

Awards presentation assembly

School closes for summer 2.15pm

Monday 10th July

Wednesday 19th July

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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)	Lamya & Milad	Aliza
Year 1 (Miss Kay)	Emily & Bobby	Asma
Year 2 (Miss Yates)	Oscar & Elise	Jacob
Year 3 (Mrs Moss)	Anas & Paige M	Emmie
Year 4 (Miss Grey)	Covenant & Alexandra	Lola
Year 5 (Mrs Watters)	Quanie & Lacey	Azlan
Year 6 (Miss Cornall)	Lewis A & Bella	Sami

Kind regards,

Mrs D Greenwood Headteacher