



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

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Newsletter 36 – 30th 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

Dance and Gymnastics afterschool club finishes next Tuesday, 4th July. All other clubs have now finished.



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 came into effective on 12th June 2023.

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 21st July 2023. We must point out that any outstanding debt after Friday 21st July will be sent to Cidari Multi Academy Trust for debt recovery.

PreLoved Uniform



There will be a **FREE** preloved uniform stall on Friday 7th July at 9.00am in the school hall. Please come along and help yourself to any uniform you would like. Please sign in at the office first. We look forward to seeing you!

Sports Day



The rain just about held off for our Sports day on Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many parents and carers come along to support their child/children.

Well done to Ribble for getting the most house points.

Thankyou to everyone who bought raffle tickets. We raised £110.00 for our school funds.

School Milk

The parents/carers of pupils in the current Reception and Year 1 classes have received a text message 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.

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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:









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

Outward Bound 2024

REMINDER-the deadline for confirming your childs place and paying the £40 deposit is today.



There are still a few places available. 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.

Please complete the online consent form and pay the non-refundable £40 deposit via SchoolMoney to secure your childs place.

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 '+' 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.

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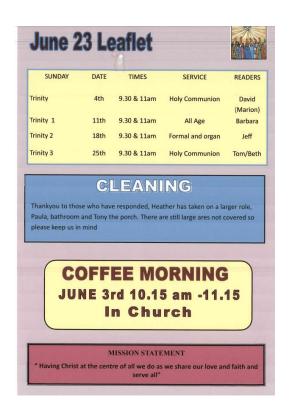
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Employment and Training Support

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



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%	98%	100%	98%

Dates for your diary

Y2 trip to St Annes beach - Tuesday 4th July Year 6 Cathedral Leavers' service (10.00am) - Tuesday 4th July

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

PreLoved Uniform

Reports sent home

Y6 Leavers production (2.00pm & 6.00pm)

Y6 Leavers party 6.00pm

Y6 Leavers service in Church

Awards presentation assembly

School closes for summer 2.15pm

- Friday 7th July

Monday 10th July

Wednesday 12th July

Thursday 20th July

Friday 21st July

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Congratulations!

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



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	Stars of the Week	Headteacher's Award Winner Christian Values			
Reception (Miss Rigby)	Lolita & Sky	Olivia			
Year 1 (Miss Kay)	Nyla & Lexi-Grace	Lexi-Lou			
Year 2 (Miss Yates)	Lola & Sampson	Cole			
Year 3 (Mrs Moss)	Abbie & Inaya	Eric			
Year 4 (Miss Grey)	Ruby & Riley	Sky			
Year 5 (Mrs Watters)	Rory & Raymond	Lilly-Marie			
Year 6 (Miss Cornall)	Daisy & Terry	George			

Kind regards,

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