



St Aidan's Primary School

A Church of England Academy

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Newsletter 38 – 12th July 2024



Children can come to school on Monday dressed in red or white or any clothing that represents England to celebrate *It's coming home!*

Win or lose, we won't have the blues!



In light of England's fantastic achievement in reaching the final.
To celebrate this momentous occasion, we have some exciting news.
Should England emerge victorious, we're planning a special start to the school day.
Coming to school will be a bit different on the morning after the final.
Our doors will open as usual, but we're offering a 'soft start' to the day.
Morning register will remain open until 10am, allowing for a more relaxed beginning.
In the spirit of national pride, we invite children to wear red, white, or an England shirt.
No regular uniform is required on this day if England win.
Given the historic nature of this event, we want our school community to share in the joy.
However, let's not celebrate too soon.
Our registers will stay open until 10.
Many of us will be watching the match with great anticipation.
Excitement is building, and we're looking forward to potentially celebrating together.

School will be open on Monday at the normal time of 7.45am for Breakfast club and the gates will open at 8.40am however we will be keeping the registers open until 10.00am

Outward Bound Meeting for 24/25

There are ONLY 2 places left! The deadline to pay the deposit has been extended until Friday 12th July. If your child is wanting to go on this trip you need to pay the deposit payment of £40 via Schoolmoney.



Attendance-changes to Penalty Notices

You may be aware that the Department for Education has recently announced national changes to fixed penalty notices issued for unauthorised absence during term time.

These changes will come into effect on 19th August 2024.



The changes to be aware of are:

- Penalty notices issued for offences that take place after 19th August 2024 will be charged at a new rate of **£160 per parent per child**. This can be paid at **£80 if paid within 21 days**.
- A second penalty notice issued to the same parent, for the same child, within a rolling 3-year period will be issued at the rate of £160 to be paid within 28 days, with no option for a discounted rate.
- The threshold at which a penalty notice must be considered is set at **10 sessions** (equivalent to 5 days) of **unauthorised absence** within a **rolling 10-school week period**. This may include absences as a result of **arriving late after the register closes (after 9.30am)**. The 10 school weeks may span different terms or school years.
- A maximum of 2 penalty notices may be issued to a parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period, so at the 3rd (or subsequent) offence(s) another course of action will need to be considered (such as prosecution or one of the other attendance legal interventions)

Y6 Sponsored walk

On Monday Year 6 completed their 5K walk at Witton Park with Miss Cornall, Mrs Rey and Sam. If you have sponsored Year 6 and still need to pay in your donations, please can you get this to the school as soon as possible so that we can send the money to St Catherine's Hospice. We will be able to let you know the total amount raised in next week's newsletter.

Y6 Leavers party

On Thursday 18th July our year 6 pupils will enjoy a leavers party in the school hall from 6.00pm-7.30pm. Time to dust off your party clothes and dancing shoes!



Year 6 – St Aidan's Showcase

Wow, two fantastic performances from year 6 on Wednesday in front of parents/carers. A huge well done to everyone. Thank you to all parents/carers for coming to watch.

Our thanks also go to Miss Cornall and Mrs Rey for all of their hard work leading up to the play. We hope everyone enjoyed it as much as we did.

Awards Assembly

Our annual awards assembly is being held on Friday 19th July. Parents/Carers are welcome to watch by invitation only due to limited space. Please note, the invitations have already been sent out.

End of year Gifts



A polite notice regarding gifts for staff.

After considering the current financial situation for families we wanted to reassure you that there is no expectation to purchase presents for staff. We would like to suggest that your child make a card.

A further wonderful gift for our school would be for you to send a message on Class Dojo about what your child has enjoyed this year so we can collate them, share them with each other and then post on our social media page.



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 19th July 2024**. We must point out that any outstanding debt after Friday 19th July will be sent to Cidari Multi Academy Trust for debt recovery.

Infant School Milk



Just a polite reminder - please remember to make the payment of £4.00 via SchoolMoney before the start of the Autumn term.

Class Dojo

All classes will be archived on Friday 19th July ready for your child's new class. Please do not delete or remove the app as you will still be able to see posts from this current year and you will also be ready to continue using Class Dojo in September.

Dinner money charges

Unfortunately due to rising costs we are having to increase our dinner prices from £2.41 to £2.70 per day, £13.50 per week. This is effective from Tuesday 3rd September 2024.

Correct School Uniform ready for September



Maroon jumper or cardigan



Pale blue polo shirt



Grey long trousers, Grey pinafore or skirt


PE Kit



White t-shirt, black or navy PE shorts and black pumps

Whittakers School Uniform

You can now order our uniform online from Whittakers.




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LEEDS - SHIPLEY - SOUTHPORT - SWINTON - ST HELENS

Option 1 – Visit your local Whittakers Schoolwear shop



(NO APPOINTMENT REQUIRED)
On arrival, you will be designated your very own personal shopping assistant who will help you and your family with all of your uniform requirements. Please check our website for opening times.

Option 2 – Place your order online – www.whittakersschoolwear.co.uk




(VOUCHERS CAN NOT BE USED ONLINE)
On our website you will need to enter your school name in the search bar. You will then be able to locate your school uniform. Please try to order as soon as possible, to avoid not having your uniform in time for the start of term in September.


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BLACKBURN The Pavilions 20 - 26 Church Street Blackburn BB1 5AL	SHIPLEY 21 Briggate Shipley BD17 7BP
BOLTON 106 Deansgate Bolton BL1 1BD	SOUTHPORT 35 - 39 London Street Southport PR9 0UY
BURNLEY Pendle Village Mill Hollin Bank, Brierfield BB5 5NG	SWINTON 123 - 125 Chorley Road Swinton M27 4AA
KEIGHLEY 5 Low Street Keighley BD21 3PJ	ST HELENS 38 Bridge Street St Helens WA10 1NW



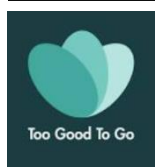


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Reception class 24/25

We still have a few places available. If you know of any one who has a child starting school in September who could be interested in starting at St Aidan's, they are very welcome to come and look around the school. Please contact the school office to arrange this.

Too Good To Go App



This may be an ideal app for any one currently struggling with the increase in food prices. It's a great way to purchase food at very reasonable prices. Surplus food from your favourite restaurants/cafes and grocery stores is available to buy daily. All you have to do is download the app, search for a surprise bag near you from your chosen store, reserve it through the app and turn up at the store to collect it at the given collection time

Christmas Pantomime 2024 – Jack And The Beanstalk



Our annual trip to Blackburn Empire Theatre is now only 26wks away! This year we will be watching Jack And The Beanstalk Pantomime on Thursday 5th December. The cost of this trip is **£7.00** per pupil for our current Reception-Year 5 pupils.

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 the payment is available on Schoolmoney. This gives 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!

Blackburn Fire Station open day



Blackburn with Darwen Family Hub Summer Brew and Chat sessions



HAF Summer Activities (0-8 years)

Free lunches also available at the Hubs and Hancock street childrens centre. Ring 01254 585000 to register.

Week 1		
	HAF groups	Parenting Offer
<u>Monday 29th July</u>	Wensley Fold CC 1pm-2pm - Breastfeeding Support group Highercroft CC 1pm- 2:30pm- Were going on a bear hunt Family hub Darwen 1pm-2:30pm- Splish and splash (Please bring a spare change of clothes)	Family Hub Little Harwood 1pm -2pm – Baby Sensory lights, sounds, textures (0-24 months)
<u>Tuesday 30th July</u>	Family hub Darwen 10am-11:30am- Rhyme time Family hub Livesey 1pm-2pm - Breastfeeding Support group Family hub Little Harwood 1:00pm- 2:30pm- Teddy bears picnic (please bring a teddy bear with you)	Family Hub Livesey 1pm -2pm - Brew & Chat What Parenting programmes we offer and how to enrol.
<u>Wednesday 31st July</u>	Family hub Shadsworth 10:00am-11:30am – Making play-dough Family hub Shadsworth 1:00pm- 2:00pm- Breastfeeding support group	Family Hub Shadsworth 10am 12.30pm - Parent Forum Come and share your views and thoughts on parenting programmes.
<u>Thursday 1st August</u>	Family hub Shadsworth 10:30am-12pm – The tiger who came for tea Family hub Little Harwood 12:30pm-1:30pm- Breastfeeding Support group Family hub Livesey 1pm-2:30pm- Messy play	Family Hub Little Harwood 12pm -2.30pm – Parent Forum Come and share your views and thoughts on parenting programmes.
<u>Friday 2nd August</u>	Family hub Livesey 10am-11:30am- Gingerbread man Family hub Darwen 10am-11am- Breastfeeding support group Family hub Little Harwood 1pm-2:30pm- Handa's suprise	Family Hub Shadsworth 10am - 11am Messy play – edible sand, paint, pasta and all things messy! (0-24 months, please bring a change of clothes)
Week 2		
<u>Monday 5th August</u>	Wensley Fold CC 1pm-2pm- Breastfeeding Support group Highercroft CC 1pm- 2:30pm- Making play-dough Family hub Darwen 1pm-2:30pm- Goldilocks and the Three bears	Family Hub Livesey 1pm - 2pm Baby sensory lights, sounds, textures (0-24 months)
<u>Tuesday 6th August</u>	Family hub Darwen 10am-11:30am- Making play-dough Family hub Livesey 1pm-2pm- Breastfeeding Support group Family hub Little Harwood 1:00pm-2:30pm- We're going on a bear hunt	Little Harwood Family Hub 1pm -2.30pm Brew & chat What Parenting programme we offer and how to enrol.
<u>Wednesday 7th August</u>	Family hub Shadsworth 10:00am-11:30am – Teddy bears picnic (please bring a teddy bear with you)	

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	Family hub Shadsworth 1:00pm-2:00pm- Breastfeeding support group	
<u>Thursday 8th August</u>	Family hub Shadsworth 10:30am-12pm – Rhyme time Family hub Little Harwood 12:30pm-1:30pm- Breastfeeding Support group Family hub Livesey 1pm-2:30pm- Making play dough	Family Hub Shadsworth 10.30am -12pm Brew & Chat What Parenting programme we offer and how to enrol. Family Hub Shadsworth 2pm -3pm Baby Sensory – lights, sounds, textures (0-24 months)
<u>Friday 9th August</u>	Family hub Livesey 10am-11:30am- Commotion in the ocean Family hub Darwen 10am-11am Breastfeeding support group Family hub Little Harwood 1pm-2:30pm- Splish and Splash (Please bring a spare change of clothes)	
Week 3		
<u>Monday 12th August</u>	Wensley Fold CC 1pm-2pm- Breastfeeding Support group Highercroft CC 1pm- 2:30pm- Splish and Splash Family hub Darwen 1pm-2:30pm- Messy play	Family Hub Darwen 1pm -2.30pm Brew & chat What Parenting programmes we offer and how to enrol.
<u>Tuesday 13th August</u>	Family hub Darwen 10am-11:30am- Farmer duck Family hub Livesey 1pm-2pm- Breastfeeding Support group Family hub Little Harwood 1:00pm-2:30pm- Messy play	Family Hub Darwen 10am -11.30am Parents Forum Come and share your views and thoughts on parenting programmes.
<u>Wednesday 14th August</u>	Family hub Shadsworth 10:0am-11:30am – Splish and Splash (Please bring a spare change of clothes) Family hub Shadsworth 1pm-2pm- Breastfeeding support group	
<u>Thursday 15th August</u>	Family hub Shadsworth 10:30am-12pm – Commotion in the ocean Family hub Little Harwood 12:30pm-1:30pm- Breastfeeding Support Group Family hub Livesey 1pm-2:30pm- The tiger who came for tea	Family Hub Livesey 1pm -2.30pm - Brew & Chat What Parenting programme we offer and how to enrol.
<u>Friday 16th August</u>	Family hub Livesey 10am-11:30am- Teddy bears picnic (please bring a teddy bear with you) Family hub Darwen 10am-11am Breastfeeding support group Family hub Little Harwood 1pm-2:30pm- Making play-dough	

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Week 4		
Monday 19th August	Wensley Fold CC 1pm-2pm- Breastfeeding Support group Highercroft CC 1pm- 2:30pm- Messy play Family hub Darwen 1pm-2:30pm- Colour Monster	Family Hub Little Harwood 1pm -2pm - Messy play – edible sand, paint, pasta and all things messy! (0-24 months, please bring a change of clothes)
Tuesday 20th August	Family hub Darwen 10am-11:30am- Teddy bears picnic (please bring a teddy bear with you) Family hub Livesey 1pm-2pm- Breastfeeding Support group Family hub Little Harwood 1:00pm-2:30pm- Rhyme time	Family hub Shadsworth 10am -11.30am Brew & chat What Parenting programme we offer and how to enrol.
Wednesday 21st August	Family hub Shadsworth 10:0am-11:30am – Old McDonald had a farm Family hub Shadsworth 1pm-2pm- Breastfeeding support group	
Thursday 22nd August	Family hub Shadsworth 10:30am-12pm – Messy play Family hub Little Harwood 12:30pm-1:30pm- Breastfeeding Support Group Family hub Livesey 1pm-2:30pm- Splish and Splash (Please bring a spare change of clothes)	Family hub Darwen 1pm -2pm Messy play – edible sand, paint, pasta and all things messy! (0-24 months, please bring a change of clothes))
Friday 23rd August	Family hub Livesey 10am-11:30am- Rhyme time Family hub Darwen 10am-11am Breastfeeding support group Family hub Little Harwood 1pm-2:30pm- Commotion in the ocean	

Over the Summer break Blackburn with Darwen are offering a space for parents and carers to meet the parenting team and find out more about programmes they run.

23 rd July- 1pm – 2pm at Family Hub Livesey
31 st July – 1pm-2pm at Family Hub Livesey
6 th August - 1pm-2pm at Family Hub Little Harwood
12 th August – 1pm – 2pm at Family Hub Darwen
20 th August -10-11:30am Family Hub Shadsworth

Summer activities and workshops

Family Hub Livesey Messy play 0-2 years 22 nd July 1pm-2pm
Family Hub Darwen Sensory play 0-2 years 26 th July 1pm-2pm
Family Hub Darwen Fussy Eaters workshop 26 th July 12:30pm-2:30pm
Family Hub Little Harwood Sensory Play 0-2 years 29 th July 1pm-2pm
Family Hub Shadsworth Messy play 0-2 years 2 nd August 10am-11am
Family Hub Livesey Sensory play 0-2 years 5 th August 1pm-2pm
Family Hub Shadsworth Sensory play 0-2 years 8 th August 2pm-3pm
Family Hub Little Harwood Messy play 0-2 years 19 th August 1pm-2pm
Family Hub Darwen Messy play 0-2 years 22 nd August

September Parenting Programmes

Where?	What?	When?
Family Hub Livesey	Incredible years babies Programme	Monday 9:30-11:30 starting 09/09/2024 for 8 weeks
Family Hub Livesey	Healthy Families Growing UP 5-11 years	Monday 12:30-2:30 starting 09/09/2024 for 8 weeks
Higher croft Childrens Centre	Healthy Families Right from the start 0-5 programme	Tuesday 12:30-2:30 starting 03/09/2024 for 8 weeks
Family Hub Shadsworth	Healthy Relationships Group programme	Wednesday 9:30-11:30 starting 11/09/2024 for 5 weeks
Family Hub Darwen	HENRY 0-5 years	Thursday 9.30am –11.30pm starting 11/09/2024 For 8 weeks
Family Hub Darwen	Healthy Families Right from the start 0-5 programme	Friday 9.30am -11.30am starting 12/04/2024 For 8 weeks
Family Hub Little Harwood	Healthy Families right from the start 0-5	Friday 9:30-11:30am starting 13/09/2024 for 8 weeks

ALWAYS House Statistics

ALWAYS following the school rights this week:

HODDER	CALDER	BLAKEWATER	RIBBLE
98%	100%	98%	90%

Dates for the Diary

Reports to be sent home

Y6 Leavers service in Church 2.00pm

Y6 Leavers party 6.00pm

Awards presentation assembly 9.00am

School closes for summer 1.15pm

Monday 15th July

Thursday 18th July

Thursday 18th July

Friday 19th July

Friday 19th July

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 Keegan)	Lola & Logan	Farzad
Year 1 (Miss Kay)	Isaac & Olivia	Reggie
Year 2 (Miss Brindle)	Sebastian & Oakleyy	Lena
Year 3 (Mr Eccles)	Lola & Jay	Lochlan
Year 4 (Miss Rigby)	Layla & Lacey	Rosie
Year 5 (Mrs Moss)	Jojo & Cooper	Sky
Year 6 (Miss Cornall)	Emily & Yousif	Annalise

Kind regards

Mrs D Greenwood
Headteacher