



# St Aidan's Primary School

## A Church of England Academy

Headteacher: Mrs Debbie Greenwood

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Kelly Harrison

### Newsletter 4 – 30th September 2022

#### Head Boy & Head Girl

This years Head Boy and Head Girl have been elected by the pupils. This is a very important role with lots of responsibilities including;

- Working in conjunction with the School Council to make decisions about fundraising ideas
- Speaking at school events
- Welcoming guests and showing them around school

The pupils throughout school listened carefully to the speeches made by the Year 6 candidates and then they all took part in the elections. The votes were very close but we are delighted to announce:

**Head Boy – Thomas**  
**Head Girl – Isabella**  
**Deputy – Lewis W & Lilly P**



Congratulations to you all, we know that you will be fantastic representatives for St. Aidan's Primary School – A Church of England Academy.

#### School Flu Immunisation



This year, all pupils have the option to receive either the nasal flu (contains gelatine) or IM flu (injectable – does not contain gelatine). Please use the link below and select either the green **YES** for the **nasal** or the purple **YES** for the **injection** (which does not contain gelatine). If you do not wish your child to have either flu vaccination please select the **NO** option. The link is now open and will close at **midnight on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October**.

<https://www.nhs.uk/flu/information?id=141350&type=FLU>



Please can we remind Parents/Carers that the Muga and any playground equipment must **NOT** be played on when the children are collected at the end of a school day. As soon as you have collected your child/children please can you leave the playground. We cannot be held responsible for any accidents/incidents once the children have been handed over to their Parent/Carer.

#### The Henry Programme



This programme is designed for parents/carers who would like support and ideas to develop healthier family lifestyles and is **free** to sign up.

For further information please visit the school website or use the following link:

<https://staidansblackburn.co.uk/news/2022-09-27-henry-programme-to-launch-at-school>

## Children's University New Members

Sara Burton from Blackburn Children's University came in and spoke to all pupils in years 1 - 6 earlier this week about Children's University. A letter explaining the programme has been sent via class dojo and is available to view on the website. If you would like to sign your child up please click the link provided and complete the online form no later than Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October.

<https://bit.ly/CUPassportSA22>

**If your child is already a member there is no need to complete the form again.**



## SchoolMoney/ParentPay



You should have received a letter earlier this week informing you that we are moving our online payment system over to SchoolMoney. This should take place after half term.

Over the next week all Parents/Carers will be sent a password which will allow you to access your SchoolMoney account.

You can download the app, Eduspot, onto your device through the relevant app store; it is compatible with both Android and Apple iOS. You may find it easier to download this ready for the switch over, giving you quick easy access.

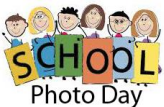


## Harvest Assemblies



This year our harvest service will be led in church by our Year 5 class. If you are able to send in food donations, please send tinned and packet food with your child that is **in date**. We are unable to accept fresh food or other perishable foods. We will be sending our donations to Blackburn Food Bank.

## School Photograph Day



The school photographer will be taking photos of individuals and families on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October. If you would like to bring in pre-school brothers or sisters, you can do this from 8.30am onwards. Photographs will be taken in the school hall.

## Afterschool Clubs



**Clubs will run for 10 weeks and finish week commencing Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

Apologies to any parents/carers who did not receive a message to confirm their child's place. We have experienced some technical difficulties whilst using our new booking system.

Just a reminder, children in years 5 and 6 can **ONLY** walk home with permission from a parent/carer. Please contact the office to do this.

**All clubs are now full**

## Admission to Reception Class & Secondary School 2023



The online admission form for admission to Reception Class and Secondary schools in September 2023 is now accessible using the following link:-

<https://blackburn.gov.uk/SynergyWeb/Parents/appsummary.aspx>

If you have a child due to start primary school next September (born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019), please ensure you complete the online admission form. The closing dates are:-

**Secondary Schools – Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022**

**Primary School – Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

It is extremely important that these deadlines are met as it can affect your chance of being offered your first choice school.

**If you are applying for your child's secondary school place, please read your chosen school's admissions criteria carefully as last year we had some very disappointed pupils and parents who did not get accepted into their first choice of secondary school.**

If you do not have access to the internet please contact the school office to arrange an appointment to complete the application online.

## Christmas Pantomime 2022 – CINDERELLA



Just a reminder that the Pantomime has been booked at Blackburn Empire Theatre to see Cinderella on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December for the whole school. The cost of this trip is £6.50 and is payable via ParentPay. **If you require a barcode to pay at a PayPoint terminal please let the office staff know.**

Payment can be made anytime between now and 1<sup>st</sup> December allowing you to buy tickets and spread the cost over time if you have more than one child in school.

We are aware of the rising costs of day to day living and utility bills and therefore want to recommend spreading the cost. As an example - if a payment of approximately £1.62 was spread over 4 monthly payments from September to December or approximately £2.17 was spread over 3 monthly payments from October to December this would cover the cost.

## St Aidan's church events

Come along and support your local church.



Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October - 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebrations and Harvest

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Quiz night & Chocolate bingo



St. Aidan's Church ?  
? **QUIZ NIGHT & CHOCOLATE BINGO** ?  
14<sup>th</sup> October 7.00pm ?  
? In Church  
Tickets 6.00 & 1.00 for children  
**BINGO!**  
**Includes SUPPER** ?  
(bring your own drink)



Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November – Christmas Fair

### ALWAYS House Statistics

ALWAYS following the school rights this week:

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

### Class Trips

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



**Year 6** – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Blackburn Museum

Trips are also being arranged for other year groups and you will be informed of these in due course.

### Dates for your diary

- Y6 Trip Blackburn Museum - Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October AM
- Harvest Festival - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October - 9.00am in Church
- Individual/Family photographs - Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October
- Flu Immunisation in school - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October
- School Closes for Half Term - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October**
- School reopens 8.40am - Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

## 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
<b>Reception</b> (Miss Keegan)	Tommy & Billy	Delina
<b>Year 1</b> (Miss Rigby)	Lily May & Nyla	David
<b>Year 2</b> (Miss Yates)	Skyla & Jay	Lola
<b>Year 3</b> (Mrs Moss)	Paige M & Ava-Sue	Abbie
<b>Year 4</b> (Miss Grey)	Reece & Jayden	Hasnain
<b>Year 5</b> (Mr Thew)	Tulisa & Lennon	Raymond
<b>Year 6</b> (Mrs Rourke)	Isabella & Lilly P	Nicole

Kind regards,

Mrs D Greenwood  
Headteacher