

# St Aidan's Primary School

## A Church of England Academy

Headteacher: Mrs Debbie Greenwood

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Kelly Harrison

### Newsletter 9 – 6<sup>th</sup> November 2020

#### **Breakfast Club**

From Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020, Breakfast Club will start at 7.45am. The cost will remain the same, please continue to use the main entrance. Please note, you will need to book your child's place in Breakfast Club if you have not done so already. Thank you.



#### **Remembrance Service**



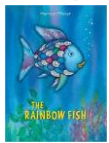
Unfortunately we are unable to have our usual remembrance service in church this year, but year 6 have recorded a service that all the children will be watching together in their classes at 11.00am on Wednesday morning. Mrs Harrison will be putting a link to the video on Class Dojo and Facebook so you will be able to watch along with us. Poppies are being sold by the School Council Team. A suggested donation of 20p per poppy is requested.

#### **Outward Bound Trip**

Great News! We have been able to move the Outward Bound residential trip for Years 5 & 6 to W/c Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Please continue to use the same payment item on ParentPay to pay for the trip.



#### **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 'Book They Know Scheme'**



As part of our plan to continue to improve reading at school, your child will be bringing home a 'Book They Know' weekly from today. Your child will have read these books at school, so sit back and enjoy them telling you a story.

It will be their responsibility to look after it and they must remember to bring it to school each Friday in order to exchange it for a new book. There will be a charge for lost books.

#### **Keeping Safe from Coronavirus Competition**

You child will have brought home a leaflet regarding important Coronavirus information for everyone by Blackburn with Darwen Council. The leaflet contains a word search competition with a chance to win a tablet! **The deadline for the competition is Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November and the entries will be collected on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November.** Please hand in your completed word search to the school office.

#### **Afterschool Clubs**

Next week is the last week for afterschool clubs. The clubs will swap over to the next classes from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November. We will be sending out letters to the classes due to take part in afterschool clubs next week.

#### **Dick Whittington Pantomime**



Unfortunately, due to the current situation Blackburn Empire Theatre has had to cancel all performances, including the Pantomime, for the rest of this year. We are in the process of arranging refunds to all those who have paid and someone from the school office will be in touch with you in the next couple of weeks regarding this.

#### **School Drop Off and Collections**

Due to the current situation with Covid-19 and that we are now in a 2<sup>nd</sup> lockdown, we are only able to allow **1 parent/carer** on the school yard to drop off children and to collect them after school. This is to prevent gatherings in the yard and to adhere to the government social distancing guidelines that have been put in place to keep you and your children safe. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated.



## Time Tables Rock Stars

Did you know we are using Times Tables Rock stars? Does your child log on at home or talk about the times tables they know? Please encourage your child to log on at home.



## Children In Need



Next Friday is Children in Need day, we will be having a **non-uniform day** on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November** for a donation of **£1.00 per child or £2 per family**.

## Admission to Reception Class



The online admission form for admission to Reception Class in September 2021 is now accessible using the following link:-

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

If you have a child due to start primary school next September (born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017), please ensure you complete the online admission form. The closing date is:-  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

It is extremely important that this deadline is met as it can affect your chance of being offered your first choice school.

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

## ALWAYS House Statistics

ALWAYS following the school rights this week:

HODDER	CALDER	BLAKEWATER	RIBBLE
100%	96%	100%	100%

## Attendance Race

Congratulations to Reception for winning the attendance race the week before half term with 98.66% attendance! Year 2 was in second place with 97.49% and Year 5 was in third place with 97.22%.

Year	Attendance	Attendance Key
Reception	98.66%	Green = 95% & above
Year 1	95.21%	
Year 2	97.49%	Yellow = 90% - 95%
Year 3	96.45%	
Year 4	94.23%	Red = Less than 90%
Year 5	97.22%	
Year 6	96.74%	

## Dates for the Diary

Last Week for Current Afterschool Clubs  
Remembrance Service in Class  
Non Uniform Day – Children in Need  
Afterschool Clubs Start for New Classes  
Christmas Jumper Day  
School Christmas Lunch  
Children's Christmas Craft Afternoon  
Christmas Carol's (pupils and staff) – 2.00pm  
KS1 & KS2 Christmas Parties  
**School finishes for Christmas break – 2.30pm**

W/c Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November  
W/c Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
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Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December  
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**Congratulations!**

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

	<b>Stars of the Week</b>	<b>Headteacher's Award Winner</b> Christian Values
<b>Reception</b> (Miss Keegan)	Renesmee & Jayden	Layla K
<b>Year 1</b> (Miss Rigby)	Logan & Sienna	Shay
<b>Year 2</b> (Miss Yates)	Harvey & Yahya	Cameron
<b>Year 3</b> (Mrs Moss)	Emily & Charlie Br	Tilly
<b>Year 4</b> (Miss Hunt)	Maisie & Lewis W	George
<b>Year 5</b> (Miss Schofield)	Jessica L & Macey F	Rebecca
<b>Year 6</b> (Mrs Rourke)	Cassidy & Alex	Kai

Kind regards,

Mrs D Greenwood  
Headteacher