



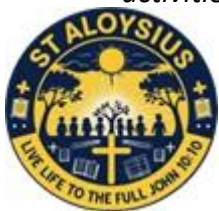
# Newsletter

June 2026

*Dear families*

*We have a lot of events going on this summer and we appreciate the support. We know that you feel like it is an expectation that you must attend them all, but the staff understand that you cannot attend all of the events; staff will support your children at all week-day events so do not feel pressure to attend.*

*We only have selected events that take place during school time, e.g. Curriculum Cafes, nativities/carol services, Easter Celebration of the Word, Easter Egg decoration, Sports Day, St. Aloysius Feast Day, Summer Fayre and end of year celebration assemblies. We try to have a balance between events where families are invited into school and to be honest, it is difficult to please everyone. We know that some families would like more time in school and some would like less; we feel that we have an even balance and apologies if it doesn't suit you. If we had events after school then we know that some children would miss out due to their personal activities, e.g. football, dancing. By holding them in school time, we know that all children get to experience them.*



*Best wishes*

*Mrs Tumelty and all the staff*

We haven't finalised the staffing arrangements for next academic year yet. We will let you know as soon as this is agreed.

Children will meet their new teachers on July 10<sup>th</sup> and will spend time in their new classroom on this date.

We congratulate Mrs Hindmarch and her husband, who are expecting a baby in the Autumn. Mrs Hindmarch will return to school after the summer holidays and will go on maternity leave in the Autumn.

## Colour Run

We are holding our first colour run event on July 11<sup>th</sup>. We have set three time slots as we are unsure how many people will want to attend. We will open additional time slots if needed.

Tickets will go on sale on this week via parent pay.



**SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026**  
**ST ALOYSIUS JUNIOR SCHOOL**



All participants will receive:

- Powder paint pack to throw
- Time on the inflatable
- Drink voucher
- Medal

*Time to make memories!*



**SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026**  
**ST ALOYSIUS JUNIOR SCHOOL**

- Colour Run/ Walk/Stroll
- Get covered in colourful safe powder paint-be prepared for MESS
- Obstacles and inflatable (enjoy them or go around them!)
- Choose your time slot- 11am, 12pm, 1 pm
- Refreshments / Raffle/ Tombola / Colour Gift Shop -plus more...
- Book tickets on ParentPay- St Aloysius Families will get early booking. Bring your friends and families. We will then fill spaces with the Hebburn community
- Book early to guarantee a slot with your friends
- All children must be supervised by an adult or over 16yr old

TICKETS- TO RUN/WALK

- £10 each
- OR
- 3 for £25
- OR
- 4 for £30

All participants will receive:

- Powder paint pack to throw
- Time on the inflatable
- Drink voucher
- Medal

TICKETS- TO SPECTATE

- £3 each
- OR
- 2 for £5

*Time to make memories!*

## **SEND**

If you would like to contact the SEND team directly, please email

[send@st-aloysius.co.uk](mailto:send@st-aloysius.co.uk)

This email account is checked regularly by a member of the SEND team.

We will announce updates regarding the SEND team very soon.

## **Free School Meals**

The entitlement of Free School Meals is changing. If you receive Universal Credit, you may now be entitled to receive Free School Meals. Please speak to the school office about this.

Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and receive Universal Free School Meals, you may be entitled to more benefits so please ask.

## **Fundraising**

We would like to thank you so much for your support with our fundraising.

More exciting things are to come in the junior yard soon...

## **Building update**

Surveys and plans are continuing in respect of the new infant school. The Department for Education are leading on this in conjunction with the Local Authority and our school trust.

Due to the building project, we are not adding large items on the infant yard. The infant children do spend time on the junior yard so also get the enjoy the new updates.

## **ICE CATS**

Jo from ICE CATS (In Case of Emergency, Children Adults Teaching Safety) visited our school for four days this week.

All the sessions with Jo were fun- she taught the children how to curl up like a hedgehog, get in a superhero pose and walk in a train.

These strategies will allow the children to move around the school quickly and safely, protect themselves in a difficult situation and get ready to move quickly.

Jo talked to them about having a safe word with families to help protect them from stranger danger.

All of the information will help them keep safe at school and in wider life.



### Reminder- Residential

Our junior school children all have the opportunity to attend a residential.

- Year three -one night stay in Beamish.
- Year four -two night stay at Boggle Hole in Yorkshire.
- Year five (and some year four children if Y5 do not fill the places) -Youth Village in Consett for two nights.
- Year six -four nights in Thurston in the Lake District.

We would like all children to attend the residentials and won't stop any child from attending if the cost is too high. See the school office if you need some financial assistance for residentials.

### Parking

We get a lot of complaints from residents regarding parking at drop off and pick up time. We know that it is difficult to park, but do not block resident driveways.



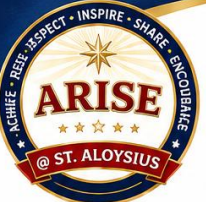
### Uniform

A reminder that the PE school uniform consists of a navy hoodie (preferably St Aloysius branded), branded PE top and plain navy leggings (not flared), shorts or tracksuit bottoms. Black PE kit is not suitable. All uniform should not be branded by a sports brand. Please help us to keep up our high standards. Children will be advised if they are wearing the incorrect uniform as will parents.

We know that there is sometimes a need for different item to be worn- if this is the case then speak to the member of staff at the door on the morning.

Earrings are not allowed however clear retainers can be worn. If you plan to get your child's ears pierced over the summer holiday, then please do so at the start of the six weeks so that they can be removed by the time we return to school. Children wearing metal earrings will be asked to take them out or families will be called for younger children. Children will not be able to take part in PE lessons whilst wearing metal earrings.

Footwear- Plain black shoes for uniform days (not trainers). Trainers for PE days.




# CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

## AT ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC FEDERATION


*Building great character. Shaping bright futures.* ✕

### OUR VALUES – ARISE




**ACHIEVE**

We work hard, set goals and strive for excellence in all we do.




**RESPECT**

We treat everyone with kindness and dignity and value our differences.




**INSPIRE**

We encourage others, think creatively and aim to make a difference.



**SHARE**

We are generous with our time, talents and with each other.




**ENCOURAGE**

We cheer each other on and believe in the potential of everyone.


### WHY CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT MATTERS

At St. Aloysius Catholic Federation, we believe that educating the whole child – heart, mind and spirit – is key to success in life. Strong character helps our children:




**BECOME HAPPY AND CONFIDENT INDIVIDUALS**

Good character builds self-esteem, resilience and a positive sense of self.




**BUILD POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS**

Respect, empathy and kindness help children form strong, supportive friendships.




**ACHIEVE MORE ACADEMICALLY**

Children learn best when they have good character and a growth mindset.




**CONTRIBUTE TO A BETTER WORLD**

Compassion, justice and service prepare our children to be global citizens who make a positive difference.



**BE PREPARED FOR LIFE**

Character gives children the values and qualities they need to thrive in school and beyond.



**LIVE OUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH**

We follow in the footsteps of Jesus, showing love, forgiveness and hope in our daily lives.

### HOW WE DEVELOP CHARACTER – TAUGHT, SOUGHT, CAUGHT

**TAUGHT**

We teach children what good character looks like through our curriculum and Catholic values.

- Inspiring topics and role models
- PSHE, RSE and RE lessons
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Enrichment and life skills

**SOUGHT**

We encourage children to seek opportunities to grow their character through experiences and leadership.

- Clubs and extra-curricular activities
- Leadership roles (School Council, Mini Virnies, Sports Leaders, Prayer Leaders, Ambassadors)
- Service, responsibility and teamwork

**CAUGHT**

We recognise and celebrate good character every day through praise, awards and positive role models.

- Celebration assemblies
- Care and Concern, Star, Maths, Gold and Special Awards
- Staff and peers leading by example

### THE BENEFITS FOR OUR CHILDREN

- STRONG MORAL COMPASS**  
They know the difference between right and wrong and make good choices.
- GREATER RESILIENCE**  
They cope better with challenges and learn from setbacks.
- IMPROVED WELLBEING**  
They feel valued, safe and part of a caring community.

- POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR**  
They show respect, kindness and responsibility.
- BETTER RELATIONSHIPS**  
They build trust and work well with others.
- LIFELONG SUCCESS**  
Strong character, combined with skills and knowledge, leads to fulfilling lives.

- A STRONGER COMMUNITY**  
Good character from every child creates a caring and inclusive school.
- FAITH IN ACTION**  
They live out Gospel values and make our world a better place.

*“Character is doing the right thing when nobody is looking.” J.C. Watts*

### 30 Days of ARISE

The children are in the middle of celebrating our school values.

Each child has a passport and they are celebrating their own journey and successes.

### Nursery

Next academic year, we are offering a wraparound service for our nursery.

Please contact the infant office if you would like more details around our nursery provision.



## WE HAVE A FEW REMAINING SPACES AVAILABLE IN OUR NURSERY

GIVE US A CALL ON 0191 4832274

15 AND 30 HOURS AVAILABLE

NEW FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

- TOP UP YOUR 15 HOURS
- WRAPROUND 8AM-5PM



# News / Events

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026

## St. Aloysius Feast Day Picnic

Collect from normal doors at 1:15pm  
Junior School Field  
PE kits to be worn

Bring your picnic and your chairs/blankets

Don't worry- We will supervise your children if you're unable to join us



## BREAK THE SCHOOL UNIFORM RULES FOR THE DAY

NON UNIFORM DAY  
Come to school dressed in an outfit of your choice...

NO UNIFORM RULES  
Although please check the weather...

### DONATE TO OUR SUMMER FAYRE

INFANTS - donate sweets/ chocolate  
JUNIORS- donate a bottle

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**Aloysius** JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup> 2026



## St. Aloysius SUMMER FAYRE

Monday July 6<sup>th</sup> 2026

PE KITS TO BE WORN

### JUNIOR SCHOOL FIELD

Collect 1:15pm from normal doors

Games, stalls and lots more...



# News / Events

Due to the Nursery Graduation on July 8<sup>th</sup>, the rainbow day in Nursery will be on Wednesday July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Raffle tickets will be sold in the run up to the colour event.



**NON UNIFORM DAY  
NURSERY ONLY**

*Show your support for difference!*

**WEDNESDAY JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2026**

## Rainbow Hampers

WE INVITE YOU TO WEAR ANY COLOURS OF THE RAINBOW (FOOTBALL STRIPS ALLOWED) IN EXCHANGE WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO DONATE AN ITEM FOR OUR COLOUR HAMPERS.

FOOD, DRINK AND TOILETRIES WANTED.



Year group	Item colour to donate
Nursery	Any colour
Reception	Any colour
Year 1	Purple
Year 2	Blue
Year 3	Green
Year 4	Yellow
Year 5	Orange
Year 6	Red




**NON UNIFORM DAY  
REC-YEAR 6**

*Show your support for difference!*

**WEDNESDAY JULY 8<sup>TH</sup> 2026**

## Rainbow Hampers

WE INVITE YOU TO WEAR ANY COLOURS OF THE RAINBOW ON OUR TOLERANCE DAY (FOOTBALL STRIPS ALLOWED) IN EXCHANGE WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO DONATE AN ITEM FOR OUR COLOUR HAMPERS.

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## Facebook

The quickest way for us to communicate is Facebook, please follow us on

[ST ALOYSIUS FACEBOOK](#)

## School trips



We have a lot of class trips coming up including year 1 to Jarrow Hall, year 2 to the Discovery Museum, year 3 on a transport trip, year 4 are going rock pooling, year 5 are going surfing and year 6 have just attended a beach trip and have upcoming transition days to their future secondary schools.

Texts will be sent out regarding all trips out of school.

## First Holy Communion

We pray for some of our Year 4 children who are celebrating their First Holy Communion this month.

## Prayer to share

*Summer Prayer*

Heavenly Father,  
As we embrace the warmth and light of this summer season, we thank You for the beauty of creation and the joy of sunny days. Please guide us in using this time for rest. Protect us in our travels and activities, and let this summer be a season of renewal and deep joy in Your presence.

A poster for a food donation drive. At the top left is the St Aloysius logo with the motto "Live Life to the Full, Join Us". The main text reads "FOOD DONATIONS TO SUPPORT Key". Below this, it says "Finding a way forward with young people and their families". A text box states: "The Key Project helps local people and families facing hardship by providing food and essential support." It lists the organizers: "OUR SCHOOL MINI VINNIES are leading this collection!" and "OUR INFANT SCHOOL LOVE IN ACTION group are leading this collection!". A section titled "ITEMS MOST NEEDED:" shows images of various food items: Whole Grain Cereal, Heinz Beanz, Dolmio, Pasta, Sliced Peaches, Cream of Tomato Soup, Instant Mash Potato, Long Grain Rice, and Tuna Chunks. A note says "Every item makes a difference!". At the bottom, it says "PLEASE BRING YOUR DONATIONS TO SCHOOL BY FRIDAY 3RD JULY" and "THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY!".