YOUR NEWSLETTER
St Aidan's Catholic Primary School
Friday 9th October 2026

'Hand in Hand with Jesus'



Week Commencing 12/10/26

	Time	Information	Year Group
Monday	PM	Keyboard lessons	KS2
	PM	Guitar lessons	KS2
	PM	Brass lessons	KS2
	6pm	First Holy Communion meeting at St Aidan's church	
Tuesday	Lunchtime	Spanish club	Y2
	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Tag rugby club	Y5/6
Wednesday	Lunchtime	Spanish club	Y1
Thursday	Lunchtime	Spanish club	KS2
	AM	Violin lessons	KS2
	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Multi-sports club	KS1
Friday			



Quiet Disciple

This week's Quiet Disciple is Sadie Atherton for being kind and helpful.

Attendance: 28th Sept 26 to 2nd Oct 26

School attendance is important. Although it is important that children do not attend school when they are poorly, we do miss them when they are off. Good attendance is vital to success in school and life. The table below shows the % of children we have missed this week – Y5/6 had the best attendance with no absences at all!

Registration group	Absence %
Reception	3.7
Y1C	5.2
Y1/2	2.4
Y2	0.8
Y3	2.4
Y3/4	4.8
Y4	2.0
Y5	2.7
Y5/6	0.0
Y6	6.0
Whole School	2.5



The school target for attendance is **96%. Please help us to aim even higher with our attendance.**

Reminder – the closing date for high school applications is 31st October 2026.

Nursery and Reception 27/28 Open Day

This will take place on Monday 2nd November 2026, parents are welcome to come and visit our Nursery and Reception classes. There is no need to book, please just come along.



Medical Appointments

Following LA Attendance Team advice, if children have a medical appointment during the school day, we now need to request proof of the appointment, either by letter or email.



Nasal Flu catch up



This will take place on 11th November 2026, for children in Y4G, Y5G, Y5/6S and Y6W, where consent has been given, and other children who were absent on the original date.

Supporting children's behaviour



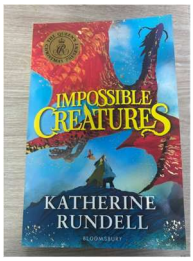
Families - we need your help!
Following individual progress meetings held this week between teachers and Mrs Farrimond we are delighted with attainment and progress. Sadly, our biggest barrier to learning is the resilience, attitudes to learning, politeness and manners from ***some*** of our children. Mrs Farrimond has sent a seesaw which we would appreciate families taking time to read with your children. Thank you for your support.

Lovely farewell!



We will be saying temporary farewells to Mrs Lowe and Mrs Smith at half term as both leave us so begin their maternity leave. We wish them so much joy and so few sleepless nights and look forward to them returning before the end of the school year.

Book Nook





In celebration of the national year of reading 2026, Her Majesty the Queen has given every child in Y6 the gift of a book to help inspire a love of reading. They have been given a copy of Impossible Creatures by Katherine Rundell and it includes personal messages from Her Majesty and the author. This is a Christmas gift from Her Majesty and the children are very grateful for their early present. Thank you, Her Majesty.

Nut free school - reminder





This week in Care Club

The children have been making autumn wreaths. Where will you hang yours?

FOSA 100 Club

A huge thank you to everyone who has renewed their membership or joined this year's 100 Club. Thanks to your fantastic support, we have raised an incredible **£800** for the school, which will be match funded to give a fantastic total of **£1,600**. The October draw took place this week, the lucky winner was **Lisa Greenall** with **Andrea Denton** as runner-up. Congratulations to both of our winners and thank you once again to everyone who has supported the 100 Club!

Key Stage 2 Dance Performances



We have had a great response to families confirming attendance at the school performances on the 21st October and for the evening event on the 6th November at St. Helens Theatre. The theatre event is now full for pupils. For families who have returned a slip regarding the in-school event, please look out for an additional slip asking if there are one or two family members attending – so we know how many chairs we need!

Dates for your diary for the next half term

Please note that these dates may be subject to change

Date	Time	Information	Year Group
21.10.26	9.15am	Dance performance for families in school	Y3 and Y4
21.10.26	2.30pm	Dance performance for families – in school	Y5 and Y6
22.10.26	9.15am	Stay, Pray and Celebrate – parents and carers welcome	Y1/2C
23.10.26	9.15am	Stay, Pray and Celebrate – parents and carers welcome	Y4G
31.10.26		Closing date for high school applications	
2.11.26	3.30pm – 5pm	Reception 27/28 open day	
4.11.26	2.15pm	Seeds and Gardeners family assembly	Reception and Y6
6.11.26	PM	Dance show at St Helen's Theatre	UKS2
11.11.26	PM	Nasal flu catch up	



Safeguarding and Child Protection

Designated Safeguarding Leads are **Mrs Farrimond** and **Mrs Gillard**

Deputy Safeguarding Leads are **Mrs Wood** and **Mrs Maiden**

Our children and their families know that there is always a trusted adult who they can talk to.