YOUR NEWSLETTER
St Aidan's Catholic Primary School
Friday 16th October 2026
'Hand in Hand with Jesus'



Week Commencing 19/10/26

	Time	Information	Year Group
Monday	PM	Keyboard lessons	KS2
	PM	Guitar lessons	KS2
	PM	Brass lessons	KS2
Tuesday	Lunchtime	Spanish club	Y2
	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Tag rugby club (last one)	Y5/6
Wednesday	9.15am	Dance performance for families in school	Y3 and Y4
	Lunchtime	Spanish club	Y1
	2.30pm	Dance performance for families in school	Y5 and Y6
Thursday	9.15am	Stay, Pray & Celebrate – parents and carers welcome	Y1/2C
	Lunchtime	Spanish club	KS2
	AM	Violin lessons	KS2
	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Multi-sports club (last one)	KS1
Friday	9.15am	Stay, Pray & Celebrate – parents and carers welcome	Y4G
	3.15pm	FOSA Tuck shop	



Quiet Disciple
This week's Quiet Disciple is Sasha Hyland for lovely manners.

Attendance: 5th Oct 26 to 9th 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 – Y2 had the best attendance with no absences at all!

Registration group	Absence %
Reception	1.7
Y1C	0.8
Y1/2	1.2
Y2	0.0
Y3	2.8
Y3/4	3.1
Y4	0.7
Y5	4.7
Y5/6	0.7
Y6	3.3
Whole School	1.9



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

Nursery and Reception 27/28 Open Day
This takes place on Monday 2nd November, parents are welcome to come and visit our Nursery and Reception classes.





Parking
We have been asked again, by residents and governors to remind everyone to take care when parking on the roads around school. There have been numerous reports of multiple vehicles dropping children off in the area outside the kS2/Care Club entrance, where there are either yellow lines or a designated 'School Keep Clear' markings. This is a significant safety concern, as stopping in these areas can put children at risk and could potentially result in a serious accident.

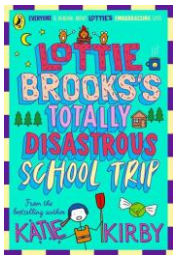
These restrictions are in place to protect the safety of the children, and no one should stop or drop children off in these designated areas.

There are two car parks close by that offer safer alternatives for parents who need to park and accompany their children to school. **Can we also remind Care Club parents not to use the staff car park after 8am or before 4.30pm, and not to park at the top of the path.**

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

Book Nook

From hilarious MEGA bestselling author, Katie Kirby,



comes a new festive story collection from the world of Lottie Brooks! These books are very popular in school and the latest instalment in the series was released on October 8th.

THIS CHRISTMAS ISN'T JUST ABOUT LOTTIE...BUT IT'S AS CHAOTIC AS EVER!

We all know Lottie LOVES Christmas – the chocolate, the presents, spending time with her weird but wonderful family! But what does Burger Tom get up to on Christmas Day? How did Molly celebrate the festive period in Australia? And why are the hammies so afraid of cousin Fwankie?! Because sometimes, it's not all about Lottie! In these twelve hilarious festive short stories, find out what Bella gets up to on her first Christmas, how Toby's prank backfires, when Poppy becomes the star of the show, and how Jess saves the day for her football team! And Lottie shares her most DISASTROUS Christmas story ever! So, grab a Terry's Chocolate Orange (yes, a whole one obvs) and spend this Christmas with all of your favourite characters from the world of LOTTIE BROOKS!

Men's, Women's and Wheelchair Rugby League World Cup



This incredible event has started this week. We send good luck wishes to all the England teams taking part, especially our own Miss Davies who will be playing in the England women's first game at 7am on Saturday morning.

Men's Mental Health event – CHANGE OF DATE



To allow Antony from Andy's Man Club to lead this event again we are needing to change the date. We haven't massively advertised this event yet, but it was on the 'yearly calendar' sent out at the start of the year so we didn't want anyone booking the day off when we know now that we will be changing the date from the 18th November. More information to follow. This will be a limited-ticket event so please respond quickly when the new date is set – it was considerably over-subscribed last year.

Mrs Carson's class – Stay, Pray & Celebrate



Please note that the date for this has changed from 11th February to 9th February 2027 at 9.15am.

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.



This week in Care Club

This week in Care Club we have started lots of seasonal activities.

FOSA Tuck shop



FOSA will be holding a tuck shop on the KS2 playground at the end of the school day on 23rd October.

Lost property

A black Under Armour baseball cap handed in to the office, please contact us if you think it is your child's. There is also a black showerproof Nike coat. Both items have no names inside, otherwise they could be returned to their owners! **Please can families check all clothes are clearly labelled with your child's name.**

KS2 Dance Event

We have had a tremendous response to the in-school event, and we thank all family members who have returned the slip to say that you can attend next Wednesday. **Please note that if you have not returned a slip, for health and safety reasons due to the number attending, this event is now full.**



Dates for your diary for the next half term			
Please note that these dates may be subject to change			
Date	Time	Information	Year Group
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.