



WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY DIARY
 St Aidan's Catholic Primary School
 Friday 1st May 2026
 'Hand in Hand with Jesus'

Week Commencing 4/5/26

	Time	Information	Year Group
Monday		Bank holiday	
Tuesday	Lunchtime 6pm	Spanish club First Holy Communion session 9 at St Jude's	Y2
Wednesday	10am - 2pm 10am - 12pm Lunchtime	Football tournament at The Brick Orienteering event at Pennington Flash Spanish club	Y5 team Group of Y5 children Rec/Y1
Thursday	Lunchtime PM 3.30pm	Spanish club Violin lessons Netball match vs St John's (away)	KS2 KS2
Friday	AM	Tempest class photos	Rec - Y6

Attendance: 20th Apr 2026 to 24th April 2026

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 - Y5G had the best attendance.

Class	Absence %
Reception G	8.4
Reception W	3.7
Year 1C	4.6
Year 1/2C	10
Year 2CM	1.4
Year 3S	1.9
Year 3/4B	1.3
Year 4G	2.3
Year 5G	0.3
Year 5/6S	3.3
Year 6W	4.0
Whole School Average	3.7



School is targeted to keep absences below 4%. Please help us to aim high with our attendance.

Quiet Disciple

This week's Quiet Disciples are Olivia Lawler & Olivia Shaw (Y3) for being very helpful



MENTAL HEALTH EVENT



Following the success of the 'Bring Your Chap for a Chat' event in the autumn term, we are delighted to have joined again with Wigan Warriors and Andy's Man Club to offer a follow-up event for all our dads, granddads, uncles or any males in

our lives. This event will take place on **Thursday, 14th May**. It will be a series of short presentations and workshops. If you are interested, in reserving a place or places please email the school office stating how many will attend. There will be a limit on the number of places we can offer so please do get in touch. Due to the slight change in arrangements, we won't be bringing children into this event. Refreshments will be available.



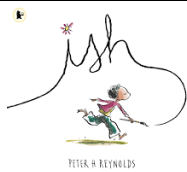
Y4 swimming

Y4 pupils will be going swimming from 11th May, more details re payment and arrangements will be sent home next week.



Care Club 26/27

For Care Club children who are continuing with the same Care Club sessions in the new academic year, you do not need to contact school. If you would like to change sessions, please let us know.



Book Nook

11th - 17th May is Mental Health Awareness Week. Here are some suggestions to support discussions around mental health.

Ish by Peter H. Reynolds. This picture book teaches us all to be less perfectionist; its perfectly ok to be good-ish at something. The enjoyment and satisfaction are in the doing. **Blue** by Sarah Christou Blue the monster doesn't have to be scary. And he doesn't have to be a secret. After all, we all feel blue from time to time and talking about it helps. A friendly, gentle picture book story to help young children navigate big emotions.

All The Things That Could Go Wrong by Stewart Foster An absorbing chapter book story about bullying and friendship crafted with the right balance of warmth and tension to engage readers in upper KS2. The narrative alternates between the viewpoints of teenagers Alex and Dan. Daily life is a struggle for Alex, plagued by worries caused by his OCD and living in fear of the awful bullying at school. Dan's life is not straightforward either. Since his older brother left home, everything in Dan's world feels different. Dan plays out his frustrations at school, messing around in class and finding easy targets at school to bully with his friends. As time goes by, the boys end up working together on a raft-building project and a new empathy begins to develop as their relationship grows. A highly recommended story for KS2 and lower KS3.



Y6 Residential trip

Just a reminder that the balance for this trip is due by 1st May. Thank you.



Mark Frith night

FOSA are holding another Mark Frith night at St Aidan's Parish Centre on Saturday 16th May from 7pm, with live music from 8pm. This event was

very successful last year and raised a lot of money for school. Tickets are £10 per person, please contact Jane on 07716 186363 or message on the FOSA Facebook page to book.

Y4 Wigan Athletic Experience Day

The date for this trip has been changed to 10th June, all other arrangements remain the same.



This week in Care Club

This week in Care Club the children have been making some lovely, bright crafts including rainbows and sunshine.

Dates for your diary for the next half term

Please note that these dates may be subject to change

Date	Time	Information	Year Group
8/5/26	AM	Tempest Class photos	Rec - Y6
11/5/26		SATS week	Y6
11/5/26	AM	Y4 swimming lessons start	
15/5/26	AM	First Holy Communion photographs	
20/5/26	9.15am	Stay, Pray & Celebrate	Y2CM
20/5/26	3.30pm	Residential trip meeting in school hall	Y6
25-29/5/26		May half term	
1-3/6/26		Residential trip	Y6
9/6/26	5.30pm	Reception 26/27 induction meeting	
10/6/26	9.50am - 2pm	Wigan Athletic Experience Day	Y4
16/6/26	AM	Sports Day	Reception/KS1
17/6/26	AM	Sports Day	KS2
17/6/26	5.30pm	Nursery 26/27 induction meeting	
22/6/26		Inset Day	
8-10/7/26		Induction days at St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School	Y6
17/7/26	1.15pm	End of term	

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.

