



School Prospectus 2025 - 2026



Hand in Hand with Jesus

A warm welcome to St. Aidan's Catholic Primary School



On behalf of the whole community of St. Aidan's Catholic Primary School I would like to welcome you to our school. The very best schools are the ones in which the whole school community work together and at St. Aidan's Catholic Primary School we are proud of our Strong links and good relationships.

I am very proud to be Headteacher of St. Aidan's and firmly believe that it is everything a primary school should be: fun, exciting, forward thinking and loving! We don't know the jobs our children will do in the future, in fact they might not even exist yet, but we strive to equip our pupils with the knowledge and skills needed, not only to make them successful, but to prepare them to take on the world!

Our children are our future and we always try to cater for the needs of every pupil and their family. We are an inclusive school and endeavor to meet the academic, social, emotional, spiritual needs of every pupil whose family choose our school as the place where their child can be the best version of themselves in the image of God. We provide personal development opportunities where children live out our Mission Statement and Catholic Social Teaching Principles, understand our School Threads, impart British Values and celebrate our cultural capital, protected characteristics and diversity. We provide high quality breakfast and after school clubs, our Care Clubs, run by school staff. We run a variety of extra-curricular clubs to give children more exciting opportunities, quality coaching, competitions and festivals to promote a love of sport, routes to grassroots clubs, a healthy lifestyle and care for our world.



We believe that schools are stronger when they work together and this provides better opportunities for our children. Therefore we are part of the Liverpool Archdiocese and WOWS consortium of seventeen schools which enable our staff to share and develop ideas across the local and wider area whilst our children participate in a range of activities, which include art, music and sport.

Our Governing Body is very much involved in school life and supports all that we do. They join with the whole school in a simple Mission:

Hand in Hand, in the image of Jesus, we grow together and celebrate who we are.

We hope that you find our prospectus useful. Should you wish to learn more about the school, the school website www.saintaidansprimary.org.uk will always keep you up-to-date or follow us on X (formally twitter) @StAidansSchool.

Mrs J M Farrimond, Headteacher

Our School

St. Aidan's Catholic Primary School is a Voluntary Aided Roman Catholic Primary School catering for pupils aged 3 - 11 years. We are a 1.5 form school, meaning we have a 45 pupil intake each year, with approximately 330 children currently on role. The School is located on a lovely site, close to St. Aidan's Catholic Church and very much part of the Parish of St. Jude and St. Aidan.

We have four large play areas split into sections: Nursery, Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 children. We have a wonderful, secure playing field used for the variety of activities. Accommodation consists of thirteen classes, plus Nursery and Reception outdoor classrooms, a Computer Suite, intervention areas and a library. We have two school halls which are used for Collective Worship, P.E. activities, Care Club and as dining rooms. Hot meals are cooked on the premises and a varied menu is always on offer. Children in Reception and Key Stage 1 are currently entitled to a free school meal.

Mission Statement



*Hand in Hand, in the image of Jesus,
we grow together and celebrate who we are.*

Community

Have a sense of responsibility and take an active part in serving our world



Christ Centred

Have a growing understanding of Gospel Values and gathering together in prayer and Worship



Education

Have a passion for learning and an enjoyment for discovery and experiences of life



Staffing Organisation 2025 / 2026

Teaching Staff		
Name	Class	Leadership Roles
Mrs J M Farrimond	-	Headteacher / Safeguarding / Catholic Life
Mrs K Gillard	Year 4	Deputy Headteacher / Safeguarding / RE / LKS2 Phase Leader / Educational Visits
Mrs A Wood	Year 6	Assistant Headteacher/ UKS2 Leader / English
Mrs L Bannister	-	SEND / Inclusion Manager
Mrs V Gregory	Reception	EYFS Phase Leader/Phonics
Mrs K Crabtree	Year 1 / 2	KSI Phase Leader / Science / Staff Governor
Mrs L Brown	Year 3 / 4	History
Mrs A Carson	Year 2	Geography
Miss L Cassidy	Year 1	Music
Mrs L Griffin	Year 5	Art
Mrs C Lowe	Nursery	MFL
Mrs M Marshall	Year 2	PSHE
Mrs S Schmechel	Year 5/6	Maths & PE
Mrs A Smith	Year 3	Computing
Mrs J Wiggins	Reception	Design Technology

Learning Support Staff		
Name	Main Class Responsibility	Additional Roles / Responsibilities
Mrs K Haydock	Nursery	Care Club Manager
Miss A Roscoe	Nursery	Care Club Deputy-Manager / Intervention Support
Mrs M Lloyd	Nursery	
Mrs H Williams	Reception	Occasional Cover Supervision
Miss M Lynch	Reception	
Ms K Barker	Year 1	
Mrs B Davies	Year 1 / 2	Lunchtime Manager / Occasional PPA Cover
Mr J Bowling	Year 2	HLTA covering Management Release / PPA
Mrs D Scully	EYFS / KSI	PPA Cover
Miss L Coates-Peers	KSI / Nest	SEND Support
Miss L Huxley	KSI / Nest	SEND Support
Miss E Sankson	KSI / Nest	SEND Support / Care Club
Mrs L Kershaw	Year 3	
Mrs A Smith	Year 3 / Nest	SEND Support
Mrs S Elder	Year 3	
Mrs C Prentice	Year 4	HLTA covering Management Release / PPA
Miss C Gregory	Year 3 / 4	
Mrs S Monk	Year 5	Lunchtime Manager
Miss A Davies	KSI and KS2	PE PPA cover / Extra Curricular Clubs
Miss A Burns	Year 6	Occasional PPA Cover
Mrs L Snowden	Nest / All areas across school	Lead for SEND Support
Mrs P Maiden	All areas across school	Pastoral Manager

Area of School	Name	Position
Office Staff	Mrs V Barker	School Business Manager
	Ms H Jones	Office Manager
	Mrs V Haselden	Admin Assistant
Welfare Staff		
Mrs B Davies (Supervisor)	Mrs S Monk (Supervisor)	
Mrs T Ann	Mrs L Kershaw	
Mrs V Atamaniuk	Mrs M Lloyd	
Ms K Barker	Mrs M Lynch	
Ms A Burns	Miss A Roscoe	
Mrs S Elder	Mrs H Williams	
Miss C Gregory	Mr S Stewart	
Mrs K Haydock		
Breakfast and After School Staff		
Mrs K Haydock (Care Club Manager)	Miss A Roscoe (Deputy Care Club Manager)	
Ms A Burns	Miss E Sankson	
Miss L Coates-Peers	Mrs A Smith	
Mrs B Davies	Mrs C Shaw	
Mrs M Lloyd	Mrs H Williams	
Catering Staff		Caretaking and Cleaning Staff
Mrs J Farnworth (Cook)	Mr D Howard (Caretaker)	
Mrs H Crompton	Miss C Fish	
Mrs G Longworth	Mrs J Farnworth	

Governing Body



The remit for the Governing Body is to:

- Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic decision
- Hold the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of Staff
- Oversee the financial performance of the school, making sure its money is well spent



Chair of Governors	Mr John Leake MBE JP
Foundation Governors	Mrs Danielle Callaway, Mr Mark Dumican, Mr Andrew Kay, Mrs Kathryn Lydon-Brown, Mr Pete Naylor, Mrs Rebecca Neafcy-Conway
Parent Governors	Mrs Lisa Blakeley Mr Tim Daly
Headteacher Governor	Mrs Joanne Farrimond
Staff Governor	Mrs Katie Crabtree
LA	Mr Nik Puttnam



Foundation Governors are appointed by the Trustees of the Liverpool Archdiocese. Two parent governors are elected by the parents / guardians. One staff governor is elected by the staff. All appointments are for a four year term.

Director for Children and Families: Wigan Council, Cath Peeling, Wigan Life Centre, College Avenue, Wigan, WNI INJ

Archdiocese Schools Department: Mrs Joan McCarthy, St. Margaret Clitherow Centre, Croxteth Drive, Liverpool, L17 1AA. Tel: 0515 522 1071



The School Day

Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1

Morning 8.55am - 12.05pm

Afternoon 1.05pm - 3.15pm

Key Stage 2

Morning 8.55am - 12.20pm

Afternoon 1.10pm - 3.15 pm



No responsibility can be accepted for children before 8.45 am or after 3.30pm unless they are taking part in a school activity with a member of Staff.

Links with the Church

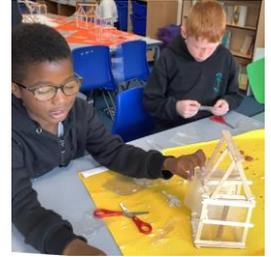


St Aidan's Catholic Primary School is an integral part of the life of the parish of St. Aidan, supporting and promoting Catholic ideals and the examples of Christ to be followed in all aspects of daily life. Each week a class attends St. Aidan's Church for class masses and celebrations. Parents, families and members of the community are always very welcome. Our Parish Priest, Father Harwood and Canon McNally, and Deacon Jim, are very much part of the school family.

Curriculum



At St. Aidan's we deliver a broad and balanced curriculum which whilst exciting the children and building on their interests also fulfils the requirements of the National Curriculum. We encourage the children to research their topics and plan opportunities to work based on individual pupil's interests.



The Nursery and Reception children are in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). The National Curriculum is divided into two Stages. Key Stage 1 is covered from ages 5 - 7 years. Key Stage 2 is covered from ages 7 - 11 years.



Early Years

There are 7 areas of learning and development in Early Years, which then are judged as a Good Level of Development at the end of Reception are:

3 Prime Areas	Communication and Language	Physical Development	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	
4 Specific Areas	Literacy	Maths	Understanding the World	Expressive Arts and Design

From the age of five all children are required to Study the following:-

Core Subjects	Foundation Subjects
RE English Mathematics Science	Art & Design Computing Design Technology Geography History Modern Foreign Languages Music PE PHSE



Religious Education

As an Outstanding Catholic school our Catholic ethos pervades all that takes place within our school community. Religious Education is provided within the timetable according to syllabus authorised by the Archbishop of Liverpool; for Early Years and Years 1 to 3 'To Know You More Clearly' and currently 'Come and See' for Years 4 to 6.

It is a parent's legal right to withdraw pupils from RE lessons or Collective Worship, but by so doing would negate the reason for choosing a Catholic school. Parents who wish to exercise this right should see the Deputy-Headteacher, who will make arrangements accordingly.

On certain occasions during the year Mass is celebrated in school whilst on other occasions as a school we visit St. Aidan's Church. Other religious services and special assemblies are considered an integral part of school life and important in the spiritual development of the child. Children in Year 4 take part in the sacrament of Reconciliation and their First Holy Communion. Year 6 enjoy an annual retreat and our Hands Disciples, made up of children from Years 2 to 6, lead the school in its Catholic Mission.

Sporting Activities



St. Aidan's Catholic Primary School has a good sporting tradition competing in team sports with schools throughout Wigan and beyond. Whether this is for swimming, football, athletics and rugby, children often return with medals and trophies, but always return with recognition of their amazing sportsmanship. We also take part in 'inclusive'



competitions, giving as many children as possible the opportunity to represent their school. All children take part in P.E. as part of the curriculum. Reception and Year 1 children enjoy the cycling Starter-programme 'Mini Wheelers' with Year 6 completing Safer Cycling. KS1 and 2 enjoy tennis and cricket coaching and work with Wigan Warriors on rugby skills. The children in Years 3 and 4 go swimming. Year 6 enjoy an outbound residential week.



Extra-Curricular Activities

We feel that extra-curricular activities are important, both from an educational and a social point of view, to the life of the school. The following are available to the children of the school throughout each academic year.

- Football
- Tag-Rugby
- Cricket
- Cross Country
- Singing Squad
- Eco Club
- Dance
- Rugby
- Netball
- Rounders
- Volleyball
- Athletics
- Music Tuition
- Computing



Outdoor and Adventurous Activities



Each year children in Year 6 are offered the opportunity of a residential activity holiday. Low Bank Ground, the Local Authority's outdoor activity centre on Coniston in the Lake DiStrict, Plas Caerdeon Outdoor Education Centre in Wales and PGL are a few of the amazing experiences we choose from to offer this wonderful week of having fun, developing independence, resilience and life-skills.



Inclusion and Special Educational Needs

The Governors and Staff of St Aidan's Catholic Primary School are committed to a policy which recognises that children are special and unique and that all children regardless of ability - physical or academic - share the right to a broad and balanced curriculum.

Some children have difficulty in learning. If this happens we will provide additional help and support. We will discuss this with parents and devise a Care Plan for the child. For pupils who have an Educational Health Care Plan (EHCP), the school will hold statutory reviews and meet all statutory requirements.

Should a parent have concerns about the progress of their child they should discuss them with the class teacher. If there continues to be a cause for concern then this should be brought to the attention of the SEND/Inclusion Manager, Mrs Bannister.

A copy of the SEND report can be accessed via the school website: www.saintaidansprimary.org.uk.

Homework

Homework is set regularly and age-appropriately. At KS1 this mainly consists of research and reading, and reading books are taken home on a regular basis. Parents are asked to hear and monitor their child's reading. At KS2 homework may consist of reading, spelling, maths or revision for tests. It is set at the discretion of the teacher and is always meaningful, which is why we ask parents to support their child and ensure tasks are completed. Teachers ensure a suitable amount of time is given for homework to be completed and it is important that it is handed in to the teacher on the day requested.



School Attendance

We have an excellent attendance record at St Aidan's. Children's attendance and punctuality is monitored each half term by our Pastoral Manager and Office Manager. Good attendance has a positive impact on learning and life which is why we value it and monitor it so carefully.

Reporting to Parents

Our system of reporting to parents consists of two elements:

1. Three parents meetings when children's work and progress can be discussed with the teacher;
2. A thorough written report in the Summer Term, with subsequent meetings scheduled if requested.

In addition, parents are welcome at any time to make an appointment to discuss their child's progress with the class teacher or the Headteacher. At the end of each year, children will bring home their work and books to share with parents and keep.



Pastoral Care

The staff at St Aidan's are very aware and sensitive to the spiritual, moral, social, cultural and physical needs of each child. Where necessary, these needs are made known quickly to the Pastoral Manager and the Phase Leader for each Key Stage who will take the necessary action.

Assessment

Statutory Assessments.

Statutory National Curriculum Assessments are taken in a range of Year groups.

- **Reception Baseline** - children in Reception take part in an activity based assessment of pupils' starting points in Language, Communication and Literacy and Mathematics. This is carried out in the first few weeks of the Autumn Term. This data is for school only and will support progress of children when they are in Year 6.
- **Year 1 Phonics** - children take part in reading 40 variety of real and nonsense 'pseudo' words to show their phonic progress. This takes place in June each year. This information is shared with parents by the end of the academic year.
- **Year 4 Multiplication Table Check** - children use an online test to answer 25 questions challenging their Times Table Knowledge. This takes place in June each year. This information is shared with parents by the end of the academic year.
- **Year 6 SATs** - These are important assessments for the child and the school. The results of these statutory assessments, in the form of Teacher Assessment and test results, are reported to parents. SATs take place during May each year.



Attainment and progress in Years 3 to 5 are measured in relation to the National Curriculum throughout the year to ensure good progress is made and children are working at a level appropriate for their age. Teachers assess all children informally and continuously in all subjects during their time at school, using the information gathered to plan for future learning and best meet the needs of all learners.

Rewards Systems

In **Early Years** and **Key Stage One**, the children gain 'people' to put into a class 'pot'. Once the pot is full a reward for all the class is given, such as a longer playtime or a treat. Each class has a list of its own rewards, which the children have chosen (see Behaviour Policy).

Key Stage Two has a 'hand' system based on rewards for individual children and is based on a positive approach to school behaviour. Children may receive **a single 'hand'** from any member of staff for any special behaviour or work. Such examples include good work, a good sporting effort, neat work, kindness, showing the right attitude, an improvement in behaviour or work and so on (see Behaviour Policy).

Hands are counted each term and subsequent rewards, including own clothes, treats and Headteacher Awards are given as the children achieve milestones. In addition, children are presented with 'hands' during assembly for special circumstances. Every fortnight we have an achievement assembly where 'hands' are awarded for work-related and social skills e.g. caring about someone.



Absences

Good attendance has a high priority in our school and is something we are proud of. Please let us know if your child cannot attend school because s/he is unwell. A telephone call at the outset and an explanatory letter on the child's return is legally required. If school has not been informed of a child's absence then Mrs Maiden (Pastoral Manager) or Ms Jones (Office Manager) will telephone home to check on reasons for absence. If a child's attendance falls below 90%, absences may not be authorised which could ultimately lead to a penalty notice being issued. This is a Local Authority policy.

If a child has to be absent for medical, dental or other appointments please inform the school in writing the day before. Please indicate if your child will be returning for lunch. Whilst realising that it is not always possible to do so, we would ask that these appointments be made outside school hours whenever they can be so arranged. A parent or named representative must collect the child from the school premises.

Holidays in Term Time

Holiday absence during term-time interrupts the continuity of teaching and learning, disrupts the educational progress of individual children and creates disruption in school. Working alongside the Local Authority we aim to minimise the amount of time lost to term-time holidays through a school policy which actively discourages parents from arranging holidays during term time, and supports schools to authorise absence for such holidays only in exceptional circumstances. When it is necessary for a child to be absent from school a Holiday Form must be obtained from the School Office or the website and completed in advance of the absence. School is not responsible for providing work for children during such absences. 5 or more day's unauthorised absence can lead to an Education Penalty Notice being issued.

Safeguarding and Child Protection



Our aim is for all children to feel secure and happy in their environments. We Strive to provide such an environment through caring for each individual child by building their self-eSteem and helping them to achieve success in all areas. Because of day-to-day contact with children, schools are particularly well placed to observe outward signs of abuse, changes in behaviour or failure to develop. Parents should be aware, therefore, that where it appears to a member of school Staff that a child may have been abused, the

school is required, as part of the local Child Protection Procedures, to report their concern to the social services department immediately. The Child Protection Coordinators are Mrs Farrimond and Mrs Gillard, and the Governor responsible for Child Protection is Mrs K Lydon-Brown.

Year 6 Responsibilities



Year 6 children have many responsibilities as we prepare them to be respectful citizens in a world we want them to be proud of. All Year 6 pupils are encouraged to take on these additional responsibilities in all areas of school life including helping with the library, computer monitors, litter picking, cloakroom monitors, taking registers, greeting the school community each morning and so on. These responsibilities will often involve the children working independently before school, during break times, at lunchtime and after school. We have a wonderful group of pupils who are our Senior Prefects. Our elected Head Boy, Mason and Head Girl, Orla, are each supported by deputies

Bobby and Georgia, and senior prefects George, Imogen, Jack and Lucie. They carry out a range of tasks, working closely with Mrs Farrimond, throughout the year. We also operate a play leader system whereby the older children help and play with the younger ones during breaks and lunchtimes. This is led by our Sports Ambassadors: Jaxon, Leona, Kyle and Lily. The Year 6 / Reception Class 'Seeds and Gardeners' is a lovely link with our youngest and oldest pupils. The activities which bring these two year groups together throughout the year are varied and thoroughly enjoyable.



Medicines in School

The LA Health and Safety Executive recommend that the teachers should not administer medicine or drugs of any kind to children in school, however our Medicines in School Policy allows any member of the Senior Leadership Team or our registered First Aiders to administer medicines for long term illnesses/conditions (please refer to our Medicines in School Policy). A form, available from the School Office, must be completed if medication is needed to be administered. Parents are able to arrange a time when they can come to school to give the medication to their own child. On no account should children be given medicine or tablets to take themselves. In the case of asthma, or other severe allergies, we ask that parents give full details of the method, amount and frequency of medication to be taken. Please inform the school if your child has been diagnosed as suffering from asthma, an asthma care plan will need to be completed. With regard to asthma inhalers, wherever possible, these should be in the possession of the child concerned unless a request has been made for the inhaler to be kept by the class teacher. Epi-pens are kept in a sealed container in the child's own classroom. Children with long term medical conditions have individual Care Plans.



Health and Safety

Any minor accidents occurring during the school day will be referred to and treated by members of staff who have completed basic courses in first aid. In more serious circumstances the appropriate hospital/doctor will be contacted and we will inform parents as soon as possible. It is essential that we have up-to-date emergency contact numbers. At regular intervals specially trained staff from the health authority test hearing, sight, administer flu vaccinations and Reception and Year 6 heights and weights.



Being mindful of the health and safety of all our children we ask parents:

- Not to smoke on school premises
- Not to use a mobile phone (or its camera) on school premises
- Not to take photographs or video without the prior permission of the Headteacher
- Take extra care when parking, including the roads around school and on the church car park
- Not to bring dogs onto the playground

Equality of Opportunities



The school aims to provide each pupil with an education that increases inter-racial understanding, community cohesion, British Values and promotes mutual respect and positive images of all groups of society, regardless of race, creed and gender. Racist comments and actions will be dealt with openly and rationally but will also be recorded. We aim to reduce stereotyping and eliminate prejudice.



Induction



Nursery/ Reception Class: During the Summer Term, meetings are held for parents of children who are to join our school family in September, when they will be given information about the school and the day to day routine within the Reception classroom. This meeting provides an opportunity for parents to exchange relevant information with the class teachers about their child and to raise any queries that they may have.





Throughout the school year, prior to the September they start in our Reception class, children have the opportunity to attend school for some half day sessions to aid transition. This provides an opportunity for the children to see the school, make new friends and meet their teachers. For the first week at the start of their school life, children will attend school for either morning or afternoon sessions. This is intended to ease the transition into school life, gradually accustomising them to classroom procedures, new adults and new friends.

School Levy

St. Aidan's Catholic Primary School is a Voluntary Aided School and as such is funded 90% from the LA and 10% from the Diocese. The Diocesan contribution which is used on building projects like our very recent complete refurbishment of the Reception Class and new classrooms in Key Stage 2, is raised by a twice-yearly levy on the parish and the parents of the children attending the school, with a current Levy contribution of £10 per family and we hope parents that choose to send their child to a catholic school to support school in paying this levy.

School Meals



School meals are cooked on the premises but children may bring their own packed lunches, or go home for lunch. Children who bring healthy packed lunches to school should make sure that food is in a suitable container. For safety reasons, we ask that there is no hot food, cans, glass bottles or fizzy drinks brought in as part of a packed lunch. Please label your child's lunch box with name and class. Since September 2014, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 can access Universal Free School Meals.

For children who stay for school meals, these are ordered and paid for, at least one week in advance, using the Evolve Online Payment system. This is our only method for ordering. If a child is absent parents need to cancel the meal

via Evolve to avoid being charged.

Some children may be eligible for free school meals. This becomes particularly pertinent when children move into KS2 and the universal free-school meals offer ends. School also receives additional funding for families eligible so it is important for everyone to register if you are eligible. To check, please go to www.wigan.gov.uk/Resident/Benefit-Grants/Free-school-meals.aspx



WATER: Children are allowed access to water during lesson time. We ask that children bring a pre-filled water bottle from home. We kindly request that transparent, plastic water bottles are used, which can be labelled with the child's name and contain only water.

FRUIT: Fruit is provided for all infant children. This is provided by the national Fruit Scheme at no cost to school or parents.



Transfer to Secondary School



Our school is in the feeder parish for St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School in Ashton-in-Makerfield and we have a thriving relationship with them. Arrangements are made for parents and children to visit their selected schools within the borough prior to admission. Parents can also apply to other local secondary schools but acceptance is then offered according to the Local Authority.

Breakfast and After School Clubs - 'Care Club'



St. Aidan's Breakfast and After School Clubs were formed to meet the needs of working parents or those furthering their education. It is popular with parents and children. The atmosphere is relaxed and informal, yet encourages the high standards of behaviour expected of children at St. Aidan's Catholic Primary School. At Breakfast Club the children are offered a healthy breakfast and after school they are offered a snack. Children enjoy a variety of activities at our Care Club. Those wanting further information should contact Mrs Haydock via the school office.

Friends of St. Aidan's Association (FOSA)

St. Aidan's Catholic Primary School has a strong and flourishing friends association which aims to promote and foster good home/school links and so organises social and fund raising events for the benefit of every child in the school. All parents are most welcome to attend meetings and to become actively involved.



School Uniform

All pupils at our school are expected to wear our school uniform, which is both smart and practical. We believe that this provides our pupils with a sense of identity and promotes a belonging within our school community. We are mindful of the cost pressures this can place on family members and have limited the number of 'branded' items purchased from specific shops (indicated by *).

The uniform consists of:

Boys:

- Grey school trousers or in summer school short trousers
- St. Aidan's V neck sweatshirt/cardigan - available from Slaters*
- White shirt (long or short sleeved)
- Tie (from Y1 onwards) - available from Slaters*
- Plain grey/black socks
- Flat, dark sensible shoes - NO TRAINERS

Girls:

- Grey school pinafore dress, skirt or trousers, or in summer, a green gingham summer dress
- St. Aidan's V neck sweatshirt/cardigan - available from Slaters*
- White shirt/blouse (long or short sleeved)
- Tie (from Y1 onwards) - available from Slaters*
- Plain white or grey socks (knee length or ankle) or grey tights
- Flat, dark sensible shoes - NO TRAINERS



P.E. Kit - for all pupils (from Y1 onwards)



Indoor

Plain black shorts
Plain white T shirt
(*badge option available)
Bare feet, black plimsolls or trainers

Outdoor

Indoor kit covered by a PLAIN BLACK tracksuit/ jogging pants and sweatshirt (in cold weather) NO LOGOS
*School 'hoody' (optional - purchased directly via Slaters store or 'Impressions' website)
Trainers

Swimming (select Year groups only)

Costume towel swimming hat

Items with the school logo on can be bought in Slaters, near Wigan Pier. Hoodys are available from Slaters or Impressions Uniforms.

Second-Hand Uniforms / Friends of St Aidan's Pre-loved Sales

Following a reasonable amount of time, unclaimed items, which do not have a child's name on, are available to purchase through FoSA by contacting the school office. Money raised helps provide enrichment activities that all children can benefit from.

Hairstyles - Hair should be of a plain, sensible style and natural colour. Long hair must be tied back for health and safety reasons. Pupils with long fringes are advised to clip hair back off the face so that it does not hinder learning. We ask for nothing shorter than a 'number 2' and no 'lines'. If in doubt, please ask for advice before the hair is styled or cut. Please try to support the school with regard to this matter as it will have consequences for children wanting to represent school.



Jewellery



Jewellery should not be worn. The only jewellery which pupils are permitted to wear is a watch (we would suggest analogue and avoid novelty types). Earrings are not permitted. If you wish to have your child's ears pierced please do so at the beginning of the school summer holidays so that they can be removed by the time school re-opens. If children are unable to remove their earrings they will not be able to play outside at break or take part in P.E. lessons.

Complaints Procedure

A full copy of the complaints procedure of Wigan Education Authority adopted by the Governors of St Aidan's Catholic Primary School may be obtained from school on request



Assessment Results July 2025

%	EARLY YEARS GLD	Year 1 Phonics	Year 4 Multiplication Check
2024	73	82	82
2025	55	82	55
National 2025	68	80	39 (LA Data)

% KS2 PUPILS - EXPECTED STANDARD+

	Comb - RWM	Read	Write	Maths	GPS
2024	86	88	91	93	93
2025	84	98	89	89	95
2025 National	62	75	72	74	73

% KS2 PUPILS - ABOVE EXPECTED STANDARD

	Comb	Read	Write	Maths	GPS
2024	12	47	30	26	58
2025	5	39	18	23	25
2025 National	62	75	72	74	73

Term Dates 2026 - 2027

Autumn Term 2026

Teacher Training Day Monday 1st September 2026

School Opens Tuesday 2nd September 2026

Half Term Break Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October 2026

School Closes Friday 18th December 2025 at 1.15pm



Spring Term 2027

Teacher Training Day Tuesday 5th January 2027

School Opens Wednesday 6th January 2027

Half Term Break Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February 2027 inclusive

School Closes Wednesday 24th March 2027



Summer Term 2027

School Opens Monday 12th April 2027

Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2027

Half Term Break Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2027

Teacher Training Day Monday 21st June 2027

School Closes Wednesday 21st July 2027 at 1.15pm



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