



St Aidan's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter

September 2018

Welcome Back

Dear Parent/Carers

Thank you for a warm welcome to St Aidan's. I am delighted to find myself in a school with such kind and thoughtful children. They are a credit to you all. I am really looking forward to working with you all to help continue the good news. I have said to staff and Governors that we are all here to be of service to the children, it is their school. I will try to make myself available at the start and end of the school day. Come and talk to me if you like, I would enjoy it! I repeat, this is a school that belongs to the children, they come first. Mr Boland, Headteacher

Important Changes to the start of the school day - Reception to Year 6

From Monday, 10th September, we will open our school doors from 8.40 am on a daily basis for children to come into school to go straight to their classroom where they will be supervised by their class teacher until the start of the school day at 8.55 am.

Reception and Year 1 children will enter the school through their normal door, they will be greeted by staff members on arrival at the door.

Years 2—6 children will enter the school through the Main School Office Entrance, they will be greeted by staff members on arrival at the door.

Breakfast Bagels—Years 3—6

With the funding and support we have received from Magic Breakfast, children in Years 3 to 6 will have the opportunity to have a free bagel on arrival in their classroom. We hope to extend this to our younger children at some point in the future, however younger children will still receive their free milk and piece of fruit on a daily basis.

END OF SCHOOL DAY—Please ensure you pick your child up promptly at 3.15 pm.

PHOTOGRAPHS— INDIVIDUAL AND SIBLING PHOTOGRAPHS - Reception to Year 6 children only will be taken on Thursday, 13th September AM.

Year 2 Paternity Cover—Mr Magill—Mrs Roberts will be covering Mr Magill from Friday, 7th September until Friday, 21st September 2018



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Some polite reminders:-

CHANGE OF MOBILE NUMBER, ADDRESS OR CONTACT DETAILS— please let the School Office know of any changes as soon as possible.

Dinner Money—has increased to **£10 per week, £2 per day for Years 3—6**, £1.50 for Nursery children who attend for a full day. All dinner money **must be paid** to the School Office on a Monday morning.

Medical Appointments and Lunch orders

If your child has a medical appointment first thing in a morning and doesn't come into school please ring School before 9am if they need a School lunch ordering.

Lunch orders close at 9.15am to the School kitchen, **a packed lunch will need to be provided if no order has been placed.**

Medical, Dental and other appointments—wherever possible, these should be made out of school curriculum time; after school or during holiday periods. An appointment card or letter is necessary if during school time.

Breakfast Club— the price remains at **£1.50** per child per day and **must** be paid on the day your child is attending—there is no need to book, just turn up.

PE Kit— all children must have their PE kit in school everyday.

Dogs on the yard

Please do not bring your dogs on to or near the yard. The issue is that some children (and adults) have had traumatic experiences or are allergic to dogs and having a dog at school turns a safe place into a place of fear. This then affects them all throughout the day. I appreciate you are walking your dog and that most dogs are gentle but for some people it is frightening.. Please leave them at home.

Medicines—the school's medical policy is that only named, prescribed medicine will be administered at school. Antibiotics will be administered if prescribed 4 times a day only. An Administration of Medicine form must be completed at the School Office and **ALL medicine must handed into the School Office.**

Leave of Absence Requests—MUST be completed before the absence begins.

Reporting your child off sick—please ring the School Office first thing to report your child absent with the reason they are unable to attend school. If the school office does not receive notification of your child's absence you will sent a text reminder.

Nursery and Reception Snack Money—£5.00 to be paid at the beginning of each half term.