

Learning and growing together, inspired with the love of Jesus.

A warm, welcome back to everyone at St. Aidan's this term. It has been lovely meeting all our new pupils and families in Nursery and Reception and then catching up with the children returning this September. Children have settled in well to their new classes and they are enjoying being back in school. There have been some excellent lessons going on in school and our pupils have displayed excellent attitudes to learning. Moreover, it is pupil's kind actions and words which makes St. Aidan's such a wonderful place to learn and grow together. Each morning, it has been lovely to be met with happy smiles and friendly faces. I am looking forward to next few, busy weeks!

Miss Doyle, Acting Headteacher

Upcoming Events

- Year group meetings with teachers from 10th October (dates will be sent through Parent App)
- Y4 Swimming sessions beginning from 17th October
- Flu vaccines (if registered) on 17th October

Religious Education

We are coming up to the final week of our Come and See topic: Domestic Church - family. This topic focusses on life as a gift, myself as a unique and loved creation, and the creative love and care that can be expressed in family groups.

Each year group have been exploring this through the following topics:

- Nursery/Reception: Myself
- Year 1: Families
- Year 2: Beginnings
- Year 3: Homes:
- Year 4: People
- Year 5: Ourselves
- Year 6: Loving



Later this month, we welcome back our class assemblies. On 30th September, Year 5 will lead our first whole class assembly. We look forward to welcoming their families to celebrate and pray with us on that day.

Year 4 First Communion

Letters have been sent out with information about First Holy Communions from the Parish of St Agn and St Aidan. Please return forms if you are interested in your child making their First Holy Communion.



First meeting will be next month, Tuesday 18th October at 7pm at St Agnes and St Aidan Church

September Attendance

Nursery AM	86%
Nursery PM	99%
Reception	91%
Year 1	93%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	93%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	98%
Year 6	91%

Our target
96% and above

Met targets

Just below

Below

PE News

This year, we have a new PE coach. Mr McHale from Active Sport who will be leading our PE lessons, competitions and some after school provision.

PE Days

Tuesday - Year 1 and Year 4

Wednesday – Year 2 and Year 5

Thursday – Year 3 and Year 6



Children should wear their school PE Kits to school on the day of their PE lesson. No football kits please. Pupils might want to wear school hoodies or pants during colder weather.

After School Clubs

Monday	Y1 /2 Dance with Happy Hedgehogs
Tuesday	Y1 /2 Multi Skills (Mr McHale)
Wednesday	Y3/4 Multi Skills (Mr McHale)
Thursday	Y5/6 Multi Skills (Mr McHale) Y4 Shakespeare Drama
Friday	Y5/6 Dodgeball with Happy Hedgehogs



British values - Democracy

Democracy means **'rule by the people'**. In a democracy, like the UK, the people elect the government and have a say in how it is run. They do this by voting in elections. It ensures we have **fairness**, law and order which keeps us safe. It provides freedom of speech, and we can share opinions. It ensures we have **equality for all** so everyone is treated fairly

This month, many children have been taking part in elections for their new **school councillors** who will represent their classes and contribute to the life and learning that takes place in St. Aidan's.

We look forward to their contribution to school life and helping to continue to improve our school. Check out our

School Councillors 22/23

Y2 Jacob Peake Leah Hubble
Y3 Rueben Doyle Lillie Bradshaw
Y4 Libbie Caffrey Oliver Brown
Y5 Harrison Smith Ava-Rose Linacre
Scales
Y6 Maisie Hyland Shane Rowlands

The Liverpool Lighthouse Visit

Earlier in the month, children from Y5 and Y6 went out to watch a performance at the Liverpool Lighthouse theatre.

It explored how children can express their feelings and learn how to manage emotions such as anxiety and worry through the story of a boy and his dragon. "*A really good but helpful play for young people*"
Darcie Y6



Rewards for our pupils We continue to recognise all those pupils who are displaying our school values of being Ready, Respectful and Safe in school.

Nursery Helper – pupils are chosen to support younger pupils one afternoon in the Nursery. These pupils will demonstrate their caring, kind nature and will be a role model for our younger pupils

Cartoon Drawing with Mr Williams – pupils who are motivated learners, resilient and perhaps show creativity and artistic skills

Above and Beyond – pupils who go above and beyond to do their best in school will be nominated by teachers for a reward trip each half term. This term our lucky winners will be going Pumpkin Picking

Stars of the Week – look out for our weekly stars on our Twitter feed @StAidanHuyton

Good news ! At the end of this month, we said goodbye for a short time to Miss Burgess in Nursery. She will be expecting her baby very soon and we wish her all the best for her and her baby.



Learning in classes



Nursery – spending time making new friends and exploring their new classroom. Children have been learning through stories and play.

Reception – settling into a new classroom and learning new routines. Children have enjoyed starting phonics

Year 1 – enjoying learning about old and new toys in History and carrying out experiments in science to see which material is best for Teddy's umbrella



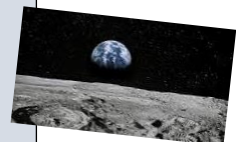
Year 2 – children were excited to do lots of outdoor learning in Science and Geography with field trips in our local area and around Huyton.

Year 3 – learning how Volcanoes erupt and testing their own exploding models. Finding out about healthy lifestyles and keeping themselves healthy.



Year 4 – learning all about electricity and how it can flow through a circuit. Children are also practising for the performance of Shakespeare's Midsummers Night Dream

Year 5 – enjoying learning all about space and the moon through Read to Write and science. Some excellent parachute testing to learn more about air resistance.



Check out even more on class pages or follow our twitter feed @StAidanHuyton

Year 6 – learning about World War 2 through Read to Write and a story about Rose Blanche. Pupils have also been using WW2 to inspire sketches in art and design.