

St Aidan's Newsletter



May 2017

Happy Easter!

Wishing each and everyone the many blessings of this holy season. Thank you so much for all your support for our Lenten Alms initiatives—almost £200 was raised from the class cake sales which will be equally shared between St Cuthbert's Care and Mary's Meals. £189 was raised for Comic Relief.

School Logo Competition

Many thanks for all your fantastic entries—the Governors now have the incredibly difficult task of selecting a winner.

P.T.A.

Our fantastic PTA continue to work incredibly hard to raise funds. Following on from being able to buy a significant amount of i-pads to enhance teaching and learning in school—our focus is now outdoor play for the new primary school; which all the pupils at some point will have access to. We currently have the £2,000 needed for a Tyre Park. Ideally we would love a Trim Trail as well which starts out at around £4,000. The Lunchtime Activities Fund (a result of the Lunchtime Team cake sales and the staff bonus ball competition) is nearing £2,000—so with a big push for this Summer Fair, this target is achievable! It will be our last Summer Fair here on the St Aidan's site—so we really would like it to be a fitting celebration and a fond farewell! The more people we have to help, the more exciting and profitable it will be. So please come along to our Summer Fair meeting on Friday 12th May at 2pm, where over a cuppa we can plan the most amazing Summer

Fair ever! If you can't make the meeting, but are available to help please let Mrs Leslie know.

Architect's Presentation

On Tuesday 9th May at 2pm in the St Aidan's school hall there will be a presentation by ADP architects who are currently working on the St Aidan's Primary Project. This will be an opportunity for parent/carers to see the exciting plans.

Packed Lunches

Can we please remind parent / carers to ensure that their children bring to school a packed lunch with healthy choices in. Items must be able to be opened independently as some children are having to wait a long time for staff to open cartons etc. Please remember no fizzy drinks and plastic bottles/containers only for drinks.

Supervision of Children

Can we please remind parents/carers especially at the end of the school day to supervise your children closely to ensure that they do not wander away while parent / carers are in conversation. The road outside school particularly in an afternoon is dangerous with traffic. Your co-operation in keeping our children safe is so much appreciated.

Illness

If your child is suffering from sickness or has diarrhoea, it must be 48hrs from the last episode before they return to school.

Safeguarding Issues

At the beginning of the school day, we strongly advise parent/carers to wait on the play-ground until your child has been taken into school by his/her class teacher. If you need to leave earlier don't forget breakfast club is available from 8.30am for £1.50 where your child will be carefully supervised.

The gate will be manned by a member of staff until the lines go in.

If you don't get chance to speak to your child's class teacher at the beginning of the morning, instead of passing on messages to the member of staff at the gate (who needs to get straight into class) please just pop around to the school office and Mrs Shortt will pass the message on.

Any child arriving once the lines have gone in **MUST** be taken around to the main entrance and signed onto the late register.

This is essential so that registers are kept up to date.

St Aidan's Primary

Just to keep parent/carers updated. It is our intention at this stage to keep our school opening and closing times the same. School uniform will remain the same with the new logo. New uniform can be ordered as from 1.6.17. Uniform order forms will be sent home just before half-term and orders need to be returned by 19.6.17. to guarantee delivery before the end of term.

Dates for your Diary

Please regularly visit www.st-aidans.northumberland.sch.uk for all dates for 2016-2017
All dates subject to change.

	MAY 2017
Tues 2/5	PTA Film Night Tickets On Sale £3.00. KS2 Football Tournament
Weds 3/5	3J—Parent/carer drop-in 9am—School Meals Planning Meeting
Fri 5/5	KS1 Visit to St Benedict's Site. KS2 Swimming Sessions begin
Sat 6/5	First Holy Communion/Confession Programme Session 4—10.30am-12 noon—St Aidan's Parish Hall
Sun 7/5	May Procession 4pm—St Aidan's Church
Mon 8/5	Class 4/3C Parent/carer drop-in. Whole School Collective Worship led by Class 2/1M
Tues 9/5	2pm—Architects' St Aidan's Primary Presentation for Parent/carers.
Fri 12/5	2pm-PTA Summer Fair Planning Meeting PTA Film Night—3.15pm-5.30pm—Tickets £3.00 (Include crisps, drink and popcorn).
Mon 15/5	Whole School Collective Worship led by Class 2B
Tues 16/5	Nursery Parent/carer drop-in
Wed 17/5	Class 4G Parent/carer drop-in.
Fri 19/5	9.10am—1/RB Class Assembly
Sun 21/5	Greggs' Cancer Run
Mon 22/5	Whole School Collective Worship led by Class 3J
Weds 24/5	PTA Tuck Shop—Bring no more than £1.00 to spend on treats.
Thurs 25/5	Class 1/RB Parent/carer drop-in.
Fri 26/5	School closes for half-term holiday.
	JUNE 2017
Mon 5/6	School re-opens.—STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) Week
Tues 6/6	KS2 Visit to Woodhorn Colliery Museum
Weds 7/6	KS1 Visit to Woodhorn Colliery Museum
Thurs 8/6	Class Photographs. Vision Screening for Reception pupils.
Fri 9/6	9am—Science Fair for parent/carers—an opportunity to find out about what the children have been learning about during STEM week.
Mon 12/6	Whole School Collective Worship led by Class 4G
Weds 14/6	5.30pm-Meeting for parent/carers of pupil starting Reception in September 2017.
Sat 17/6	First Holy Communion Mass St Aidan's Church at 5.30pm
Mon 19/6	Whole School Collective Worship led by Class RM
Tues 20/6	Class 2/1M Parent/carer drop-in 6pm-Full Governing Body Meeting at St Benedict's Middle School
Wed 21/6	Nursery Sports Events (weather permitting)
Thurs 22/6	9.30am- Reception and KS1 Sports Day (weather permitting)
Fri 23/6	9.30am-KS2 Sports Day (weather permitting)
Weds 28/6	Northumberland Catholic Partnership Celebration—Whitley Bay Playhouse—6pm
Thurs 29/6	KS2 to attend St Peter & St Paul Mass—St Aidan's Church
Fri 30/6	9.10am—4/3C Class Assembly