

# St Aidan's Newsletter



## March 2016

### World Book Day

**Thursday 3rd March 2016**

Children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character.

Our dance teacher Caitlin Million from Infusion Dance is part of the 100 heroes trying to raise money for Kian Musgrove. Kian suffers from a neuroblastoma stage 4 cancer. You can get more information about fundraising on his face book page Caring for Kian. Caitlin has kindly offered her book characters free of charge in exchange for a small donation. This donation will go towards sending Kian to America to get the treatment he needs.

All donations welcome however big or small.

### Lenten Alms 2016

As we continue along our Lenten journey in addition to finding more opportunities for daily prayer, we will also be supporting those less fortunate than ourselves.

All of the children will be taking part in class cake sales over the next few weeks.

The School Council have been tasked with deciding which good causes the Lenten Alms raised will be donated to.

On each occasion the children from the class holding the cake sale will be asked to bring in cakes to sell - all the children in each key stage should then bring in no more than a £1.00.

Please see overleaf for dates.

As always your support is very much appreciated.

### Parking

Could we please ask that parent/carers park safely and legally AT ALL TIMES. Many thanks for your co-operation. Anyone parking in the restricted areas around school will be given an immediate fixed penalty of £70. **Please also note that parent / carers are not allowed to use the staff car park unless they have permission from the Governors.**



We have been asked by Northumbria Police to highlight the fact that the back street behind Newbiggin Road, along from the shop (road sign above) is for residents' parking only and parents are politely asked not to p a r k t h e r e .

Please work with us and the Police to ensure safe parking outside our school, and report any issues or worries to us immediately.

### PTA Easter Egg Tombola

At the end of term there will be an Easter Egg tombola at the coffee afternoon on the 23rd March. Donations of Easter Eggs can be sent into school over the next few weeks.

### Pupil Details Forms

If you haven't done so already please return your child's pupil details form to the school office. It is essential that we have up to date information about your child on the school database. Please remember to inform us of any changes that occur throughout the year.

### Pupil Medical Conditions Policy

In line with DFE guidance we have recently updated our Pupil Medical Conditions Policy. (All statutory policies can be found on the school website) All documentation has been revised. If your child takes regular medication such as an inhaler he/she should have brought home the updated documentation for you to complete and return to the school office. School staff can only administer prescribed medicines and wherever possible we politely request that medicines are administered at home before or after school.

### Parentmail

Could we please ask all parent/carers to make sure we have up-to date email addresses to ensure that all communications can be sent via email. Ideally we would like to send all communications via email to enable us to be environmentally friendly and use the funds spent on printing costs for more exciting things! If you do not have email access please inform the school office and we will ensure that you receive a paper copy of relevant documents.

### Collective Worship

Please note there will no whole school collective worship on Monday 7th March due to the school hall being in use all day.

## Dates for your Diary

Please regularly visit [www.st-aidans.northumberland.sch.uk](http://www.st-aidans.northumberland.sch.uk) for all dates for 2015-2016

All dates subject to change.

	<b>MARCH 2016</b>
Weds 2/3	Y3 Visit to St Aidan's Church.
Thurs 3/3	World Book Day—Come to school dressed as your favourite book character
Fri 4/3	3J, 2G & 1/RB Lenten Alms Cake Sale Y2 Gymnastics Festival -Ashington Leisure Centre
Mon 7/3	PTA Disco tickets on sale—£3.00 each (includes drink, packet of crisps and mix-up) Science Workshop Day—NB NO COLLECTIVE WORSHIP TODAY
Tues 8/3	RH Parent/carers drop-in day—see website for further details. 6pm-PTA Mtg
Weds 9/3	Nursery Visit to Plessey Woods Parent/carer Forum 5.30pm 4M Parent/carers drop-in day—see website for further details -NB Change of date
Thurs 10/3	Meeting for parent/carers willing to help at Children's Liturgy at St Aidan's Parish House 6pm
Fri 11/3	4/3B, 2/1M & RH Lenten Alms Cake Sale
Tues 15/3	4/3B & 2G Parent/carer drop-in (See website for more details) Parent/Carers Consultation Evening—3.30pm-5.30pm
Weds 16/3	Parent/Carers Consultation Evening—3.30pm-5.30pm
Thurs 17/3	2/1M & 1/RB Parent/carer drop-in (See website for more details) 4.30pm Meeting for Parent/carers of new Nursery pupils
Fri 18/3	4M Lenten Alms Cake Sale PTA Easter Disco—3.15pm-4.30pm Admission by ticket ONLY
Sun 20/3	Childrens' Liturgy St Aidan's Church—10.30am Mass
Mon 21/3	2.45pm-Whole School Collective Worship lead by 3J
Weds 23/3	2.30pm-PTA Easter Coffee Afternoon
Thurs 24/3	1pm—End of term liturgy. Parent/carers able to attend the liturgy can take children home afterwards. Parent/carers not able to attend to collect children at 3.15pm.
	<b>APRIL 2016</b>
Mon 11/4	School re-opens for Summer term.
Fri 15/4	1.30pm-Easter Mass in the school hall. Everyone welcome.
Mon 18/4	2.45pm—Whole School Collective Worship lead by RH
Friday 22/4	9.10am-2G Class Assembly - Everyone Welcome & Y4 Swimming begins.
Mon 25/4	2.45pm—Whole School Collective Worship lead by 1/RB
Weds 27/4	4/3B Parent/carer drop-in (See website for more details) - Y4 Striking & Fielding Festival.
	<b>MAY 2016</b>
Mon 2/5	School closed for May Day Bank Holiday
Weds 4/5	3J & Nursery Parent/carer drop-in (See website for more details)
Tues 10/5	PTA Meeting 6pm
Fri 13/5	9.10am 2/1M Class Assembly—Everyone welcome.
Tues 17/5	4M Parent/carer drop-in (See website for more details)
Weds 18/5	EYFS Wheelie Day
Fri 20/5	9.10am—3J Class Assembly—Everyone Welcome. PTA Film Night—3.15pm-5.30pm
Fri 27/5	9.10am-1/RB Class Assembly-Everyone Welcome. School closes for half-term at 3.15p.m.