



Newsletter



FRIDAY 7TH JUNE 2024

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

MATTHEW 5:16

ST AIDAN'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Swimming Year 5 Monday 10th June

ELECTION 2024

As you will be more than aware the general election has been called for Thursday 4th July. This was earlier than expected has caused us a little headache in terms of our school being used as a polling station. We are a public building and as a Government building by duty we need to facilitate the polling station. After many discussions with the council and education board, St Aidan's will remain open on this day with additional safeguards in place. A separate letter will be sent regarding this. PLEASE NOTE THE NURSERY & RECEPTION TRIP WILL STILL GO AHEAD ON THIS DAY! School will also only be open for the core day 8:50-3:30 and Breakfast and Afterschool club will not run

D-DAY 80



This week we remembered and reflected on the D Day landings of 80 years ago. We thought about the young soldiers who put their lives on the line for our future.

We thought about the question -Can remembering difficult times help shape a better future?

Today each pupil has brought home a D-Day colouring sheet and if they would like to enter the colouring competition then they can return it to school by Wednesday 12th June. Please make sure that their name and year group are on. Also if you have any photographs of family members who served our country in WW2 or WW1 then we would love to see them.

KEEPING YOU SAFE

We have spoken to the children about the play equipment being out of bounds before and after the school day. This includes the trim trail and the climbing wall. Once classes are let out at the end of the day then pupils should stay with their adult and leave the playground. We understand that this sounds very grumpy and stopping the fun that could be had but we school cannot be held accountable for any injuries sustained on this equipment after the school day. Thank you for your co-operation.

Mrs Corkill our SENDco is continuing her amazing trek on the Coast to Coast walk. Please watch and share as she is raising money for our school fund to secure the support and interventions we have for our pupils wellbeing.

Please follow the link to our Facebook page where you will see video updates and please share our fundraising link far and wide. Our pupils are so worth it!

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/334309063039702>

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/443915864920375>

Crowdfunder Page:

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/coast-to-coast-walk--may-2024>



We are so proud to announce that we are an 'Ambassador School' for Hope's Therapy Dogs. Our journey is unique and we so proud to have played such an important part in its creation. Please click the link

<https://fb.watch/syllpSOHrD/>

National Book Tokens

Please nominate our school - we have a chance of winning £1000 to put towards new books in the library. Follow the below link:

<https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools-prize>





Our Summer Fayre takes place on Friday 28th June 2024.

in the school grounds from 3.30pm to 5pm.

Lots to do: tombola, raffle, refreshments, toy stall, bouncy castle, football penalty, ice cream stall etc.

If you know of any local business who would like to hire a stall please ask them to contact the school office.

We have some great raffle prizes:

Booze Hamper

Summer Hamper

Gift vouchers from Waterfields, Martin Mere and Knowsley Safari Park, The Ice Cream Farm.

Attendance Matters



Class Attendance

Tuesday 4th June 2024

Reception	85%	Year 1	90%	Year 2	94%	Year 3	97%
Year 4	90%	Year 5	93%	Year 6	77%	Whole School Attendance for this week	89%

Well Done Year 3 on your 97% attendance this week.

ATTENDING SCHOOL IS SO IMPORTANT PLEASE HELP US TO ACHIEVE 96% ACROSS SCHOOL.



Calling all Stall Holders

St Aidan's PTA
are holding their Summer Fayre on
Friday 28th June 2024.

If there are any local business who would like
to rent a stall
please contact the
school office on 01744 678042 or
email staidansb@sthelens.org.uk



ST AIDAN'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

PLACES AVAILABLE FROM SEPTEMBER 2024

NURSERY PLACES FOR 2 AND 3
YEAR OLDS (FUNDED AND
PRIVATE FUNDED)

AND SOME SCHOOL PLACES

EVERY DAY IS AN OPEN DAY
CALL IN TO HAVE A LOOK OR
CONTACT OUR SCHOOL OFFICE
TO BOOK A VISIT OR FIND OUT
MORE INFORMATION

CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON 01744
678042 OR EMAIL

STAIDANSB@STHELENS.ORG.UK

[HTTPS://WWW.BILLINGESTAIDANS.CO.UK](https://www.billingestaidans.co.uk)

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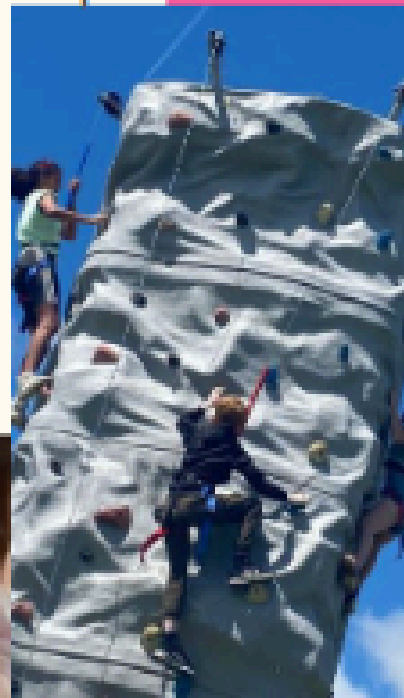
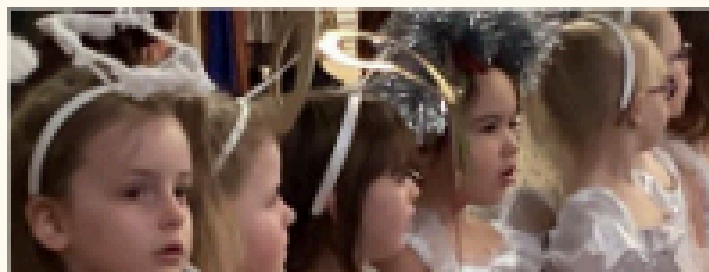
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**PLACES
AVAILABLE**

- Breakfast and After School Club 7:30 - 17:30
- Sports Clubs
- Performing Arts Club
- Reading School
- Educational Trips

**BOOK A TOUR OF
SCHOOL ON
01744 678042**

For more information & to
get an admission form,
please visit our website:



Let your Light Shine- Matthew 5:16



Each Friday Morning we celebrate achievements in assembly. If your child achieves success outside school then please share this with school and we can celebrate this in Friday's assembly.

- S- SUCCESS
- H-HELPING OTHERS
- I- INSPIRE
- N- NEVER GIVE UP
- E - ENGAGE

Alongside celebrating aspects of the curriculum, Shining Star Certificates are also presented for the SHINE areas above. At the end of the school year a trophy for each SHINE aspect is presented to one pupil from each year group .

	Reader of the Week	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	SHINE
Reception	Nigel	Luna	Poppy	Sofia Mia
Year 1	Jack R	Archie	Florence A	Cohen Alice Dylan Florence R
Year 2	Lachlan Violet	George	Ruby	Ethan Jon-Paul Freya Harry
Year 3	Rosie	Emma	Joe	Edward Amaya Elijah D
Year 4	Oliver	Charlie	Zack	Oliver Josh Leo Zoe Tommy Alex
Year 5	Holly	Indie	Oscar	Jack Alfie
Year 6	Anya Liam	Daisy Megan		Zachary



Listen 4 Change would like to invite you to their **evening** get-together!

For parents and carers of children and young people with SEND.

Why not come along? No need to book.

From 18.30-20.00

Tuesday 18th June 2024

**@ Wonderland Community Centre C.I.C., Reflection Court,
Canal Street, St Helens WA10 3JQ**

Free parking is available at Wonderland - drive straight up close to the barrier for it to open.

This will be an opportunity to meet other parent carers in a relaxed setting for a cuppa, cake and a chat.

For further information please contact us at

Listen4Change@outlook.com



Listen 4 Change St Helens Parent Carer Forum


Are you a Parent Carer of a child or young person with Special Educational Needs and/or a Disability (SEND) aged 0-25 in St Helens?


If yes, this is your Parent Carer Forum. It is run by Parent Carers for Parent Carers.

Together our voice is stronger

Contact us today:

 www.listen4change.uk

 Listen4Change

 listen4change@outlook.com



St. Aidan's Church of England Primary School
'Let your light shine' - Matthew 5:16
School Uniform

School Uniform can be purchased from:

Slaters Eckersley Mill, Swan Meadow Rd, Wigan, WN3 5BD Tel: 01942 244426 Email: sales@termtext.co.uk

Whittakers 38 Bridge Street, St Helens, Merseyside, WA10 1NW Tel: 01744 451812 Email: sthelens-orders@whittakersschoolwear.co.uk

Or any major supermarket/retailer.

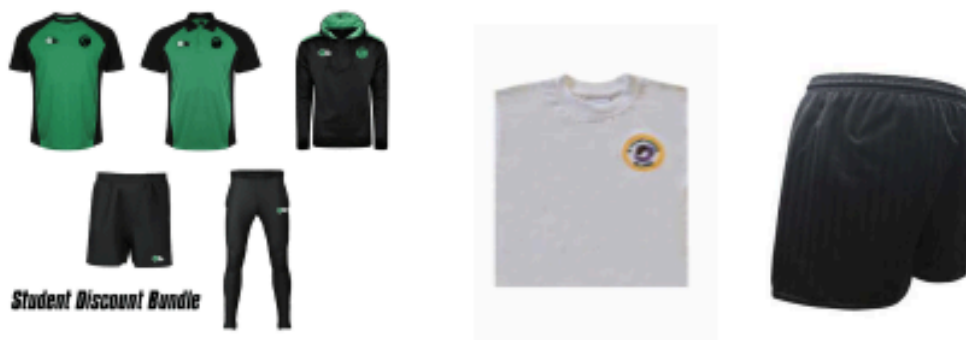


Green jumper/cardigan with or without school logo.
White Polo T-Shirt with or without school logo.



Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore.
During summer term a green gingham and white dress can be worn.

Black school shoes



Student Discount Bundle

PE Kit can be purchased online on the following website: <https://www.truesportingcolours.com/pupils-574-c.asp>.

Children are also allowed to wear a white t shirt, black shorts, black training pants and black hoodie. Black PE pumps or trainers allowed.

Dates for your Calendar

Please also see below some key dates that are happening in school.

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St Aidan's C of E Primary School

School Holidays 2023 – 2024



Re-open after the Summer holiday on the morning of	Tuesday	5 th September 2023
Close for the Autumn half-term holiday on the evening of	Thursday	26 th October 2023
Re-open after the Autumn half-term holiday on the morning of	Monday	6 th November 2023
Close for the Christmas holiday on the evening of	Thursday	21 st December 2023
Re-open after the Christmas holiday on the morning of	Monday	8 th January 2024
Close for the Spring half-term holiday on the evening of	Friday	9 th February 2024
Re-open after the Spring half-term on the morning of	Monday	19 th February 2024
Close for the Easter holiday on the evening of	Thursday	28 th March 2024
Re-open after the Easter holiday on the morning of	Monday	15 th April 2024
Close for the Summer half-term holiday on the evening of	Friday	24 th May 2024
Re-open after the Summer half-term holiday on the morning of	Tuesday	4 th June 2024
Close for the Summer holiday on the evening of	Tuesday	23 rd July 2024

Closed Inset Days:
 Monday 4th September 2023
 Friday 22nd December 2023
 Monday 3rd June 2024

Friday 27th October 2023
 Thursday 2nd May 2024

Bank Holiday
 Good Friday 29th March 2024
 Easter Monday 1st April 2024
 May Day 6th May and 27th May 2024

School Holidays 2024-25

St Aidan's C of E Primary School School Holidays 2024 – 2025



Re-open after the Summer holiday on the morning of	Tuesday	3rd September 2024
Close for the Autumn half-term holiday on the evening of	Friday	25 th October 2024
Re-open after the Autumn half-term holiday on the morning of	Monday	4 th November 2024
Close for the Christmas holiday on the evening of	Friday	20 th December 2024
Re-open after the Christmas holiday on the morning of	Monday	6 th January 2025
Close for the Spring half-term holiday on the evening of	Friday	14 th February 2025
Re-open after the Spring half-term on the morning of	Monday	24 th February 2025
Close for the Easter holiday on the evening of	Friday	4 th April 2025
Re-open after the Easter holiday on the morning of	Tuesday	22 nd April 2025
Close for the Summer half-term holiday on the evening of	Friday	23 rd May 2025
Re-open after the Summer half-term holiday on the morning of	Tuesday	3 rd June 2025
Close for the Summer holiday on the evening of	Friday	18 th July 2025
Closed Inset Days:		Bank Holiday
Monday 2 nd September 2024	Monday 2 nd June 2025	Good Friday 18 th April 2025
Monday 21 st July 2025	Tuesday 22 nd July 2025	Easter Monday 21 st April 2025
1 x Inset Day to be confirmed once the Government Election is confirmed		Monday 5 th May and 26 th May 2025
To be taken before 25 th January 2025.		

Dates for your Calendar

Please also see below some key dates that are happening in school.

June 2024

10th June 2024	Year 1 Phonics Screening (all week)
10th June 2024	Year 4 Multiplication check (all week)
12th June 2024	Nursery, Reception and Year 6 Class Photos
12th June 2024	Year 6 Leavers Service @ Liverpool Cathedral
17th June 2024	Sports Week
20th June 2024	Infant Sports Day (afternoon)
21st June 2024	Junior Sports Day (afternoon)
28th June 2024	Summer Fayre (3.30-5pm)

July 2024

2nd July 2024	Year 4 and 5 Trip to Liverpool
4th July 2024	Nursery/Reception Trip to Imagine That in Liverpool
9th July 2024	Nursery Graduation (morning) **NEW**
23rd July 2024	Last day of School.

Dates for your Calendar
ADDITIONAL DATES

YEAR 6

- 12th June 2024** **Leavers Service at Liverpool Cathedral**
- 5th July 2024** **Rainford High Year 6 Pupils @Rainford**
Reception - Year 5 - meeting your new teacher at school
- 8th July 2024** **Year 6 Confirmation Service at St Thomas' Church Ashton.**
- 15th July 2024** **Alice the Musical - Times to confirmed**
- 18th July 2024** **6:30 pm Leaver's Informal Awards Evening hosted by Mrs Fisher & Mr Moore - Dress to Impress**
- 22nd July 2024** **Whole School Leavers' Service in Church 1:30pm**
- 23rd July 2024** **Year 6 Leavers Breakfast Last Day of Term.**

School Meals

Our School Cook - Mrs Seyburn and her assistants Mrs Broxton and Mrs Rooke make our school lunch.

A school lunch is available with a choice of menu at the current price of £13.00 per week (£2.60 per day). Moneys can be paid through our School Money App. A reminder will be sent every Friday to ask parents to pay balance.

Children can bring a packed lunch to school for their lunch. We offer 'Fish Fridays' - children who would normally bring a packed lunch into school Monday to Thursday are able to have a school meal. The menu option for this day is 'Old Fashioned Pizza or Fish and Chips'.

Free School Meals Forms are available from Education Benefits Office. Please see the next page on how to apply online.

Please click on the below link to view the current School Dinners Menu (we are currently on Week 2 on Monday 3rd June 2024).

<https://www.billingestaidans.co.uk/page/school-meals/50075>

From Tuesday 4th June 2024 there will be a new Summer School Dinner Menu.

Applying for Free School Meals

Your child will be eligible for free school meals if you (or your partner) are in receipt of any of the following:

- Universal Credit and net earnings are no more than £7,500 per year (£616.67 in your last assessment period, £1,233.34 over last two assessment periods or £1,850 over last three assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income, as assessed by HMRC, of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit 'run on' - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Once eligible, your child will continue to receive free school meals in primary or secondary school until they finished their current phase of education i.e. primary (Year 6) or secondary (Year 11). From 1 April 2025, if your child moves between primary and secondary school you will need to reapply for free school meals.

[Apply for free school meals](#)

Pupil Premium

Your child's school will also receive additional funding if you are in receipt of a qualifying award listed above. It is therefore important that you claim free school meals and the pupil premium even if your child does not wish to take a school meal or your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and already receives an infant free school meal.

In previous St Helens Council have provided vouchers to parents to help when your child is on a school holiday. To be eligible for the vouchers you must be in receipt of benefits based free school meals.

IF YOU LIVE IN A SURROUNDING LOCAL AUTHORITY - YOU WILL NEED TO COMPLETE THEIR FORMS WHICH CAN BE FOUND ON THEIR WEBSITE.



Breakfast and After School Club

Our school runs a Breakfast and After School Club.

It is open from 7.30am to the start of the school day and from the end of the school day to 5.30pm. It is operated by St Aidan's staff.

Costs: Breakfast Club - £5.00 per child. After School Club - £6.50 per child (more than 1 sibling is £6.00 per child).

The fees are payable through School Money and should be cleared at the end of every half term. To book or amend places - please send an email to staidansb@sthelens.org.uk or phone the school office on 01744 678042

The new booking form for Tuesday 4th June to Tuesday 23rd July 2024 will be available from club from next week.



Kids R Us

Breakfast and Afterschool Club

Child's Full Name: _____ Class: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

For bookings from Tuesday 4th June 2024 until Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Week Commencing	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
	BC	ASC	BC	ASC	BC	ASC	BC	ASC	BC	ASC
03/06/2024										
10/06/2024										
17/06/2024										
24/06/2024										
01/07/2024										
08/07/2024										
15/07/2024										
22/07/2024										

Please tick the appropriate box.

Costs: Breakfast Club: £5.00 per child

After School Club: £6.50 for one child £6.00 for two or more children

Please return to school no later than Friday 17th May 2024 — copies can be forwarded by email to:
staldansb@sthelens.org.uk

Reminder

I understand that a place will be available unless informed otherwise, and will need to be paid for in advance.

I understand that non-payment of fees will jeopardise my child's attendance at the club.

I understand that if a place is no longer required, then it will be cancelled at the earliest convenience (**24 hours for a credit**), to allow the place to be accessed by another child. **Under 24 hours, payment will still be required.**

I understand that if my child does not attend the club when a place has been confirmed, then I will still be charged, as a place has been reserved.

I understand that if my child is late being collected (**after 5.30pm**), then a late charge of £10.00 per child, will be charged.

I will inform staff of any changes in details as soon as possible.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

SEND Support

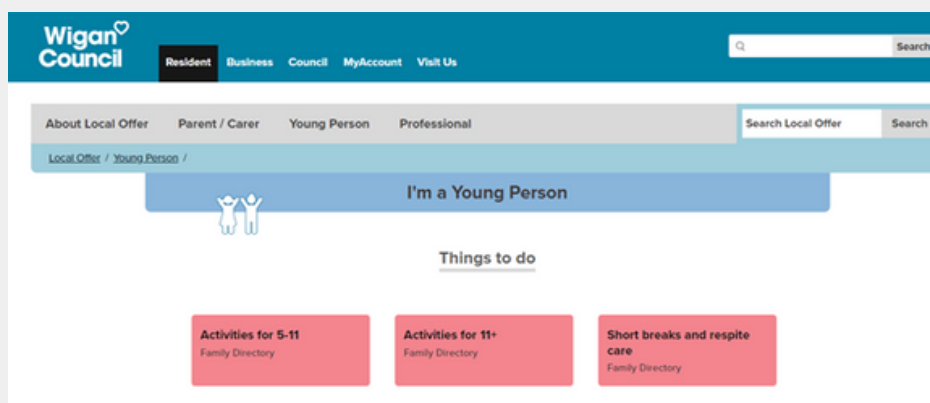
There are a number of support groups and play groups that take place weekly in the Wigan area. They are inclusive activities for children with SEND.



For children and families who live in the Wigan area, Wigan also offers a number of services and activities for children with SEND.

Please click on the link below to access the A-Z Directory of what's on offer.

http://search3.openobjects.com/kb5/wigan/fsd/results.page?familychannel=5_2&sr=0



<https://www.wigan.gov.uk/Resident/Education/Special-Educational-Needs-and-Disability/Local-Offer/Young-Person/Things-to-do/Index.aspx>

PTA @ St Aidan's

Welcome to St Aidan's PTA. We are a committee of parents, teachers and friends - who meet every term in school.

We are a charitable group, established to raise money, support the school, create a community and make a difference to our children.

Our PTA have previously organised Summer Fayres, School Discos, Christmas Activities and raffles. We are constantly looking for new fundraising ideas.

In the past they have helped fund the purchase of new technology, playground equipment and presents for children. As you can imagine the list is endless.

Each year, as our children move on to the high school we lose some valuable support. We would love to gain new support to continue enabling our children to enjoy the benefits that the PTA brings.

Your support is really valuable to our children and always appreciated.

If you would like to join then please contact Mrs Sutcliffe, School Business Manager on staidansb@sthelens.org.uk.

Thank you.

FUTURE EVENTS: to be confirmed

