



Newsletter



FRIDAY 19TH JULY 2024

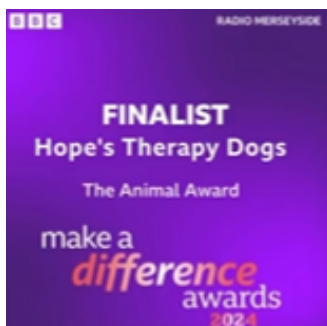
LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

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ST AIDAN'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are on the TV

St Aidan's and Hope's Therapy Dogs will feature on BBC Look North West this evening at 6:30pm . Proud day for us ! Our journey and partnership as a school and wellbeing service is unique and is so worthy of this recognition .



Unauthorised Absences

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SCHOOL CLOSES

School closes for the end of the academic year on Tuesday 23rd July at 3:30pm . After School Club will run as normal .

SCHOOL REOPENS

School reopens for the new academic year on Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Environment Day



Thank you to the adults who came to help on Environment Day. It was greatly appreciated.

Year 6 Leavers' Event

Last night school hosted a 'Dress to Impress' Leavers event for our Year 6 class. It was a lovely evening and it was nice to see families coming together feeling proud of school and their children . As we go into the final two days of school , we look forward to more gatherings to say goodbye to the class of 2024.



Attendance Matters



Class Attendance

Monday 15th July 2024

Reception	84%	Year 1	94%	Year 2	88%	Year 3	97%
Year 4	93%	Year 5	90%	Year 6	91%	Whole School Attendance for this week	91%

Well done to Year 3 for the 97% attendance this week.
**ATTENDING SCHOOL IS SO IMPORTANT PLEASE HELP US TO
 ACHIEVE 96% ACROSS SCHOOL.**

Important Information from Monday 2nd September 2024

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School Dinners

From Monday 2nd September 2024 - there will be an increase in the charge for school dinners. The cost will rise from £2.60 to £2.95 per day. Weekly: £14.75.
Payable on School Money.

Electronic Signing In System

From September 2024 - when children are arriving late into school and being collected throughout the school day - parents/guardians will be asked to use the Sign In system at the Reception Office.

Library Outreach



Unleash your Creative Side and join the Summer Reading Challenge with St Helens Library Service



Join Pauline, at one of the drop in events to find out all there is to know about this year's Summer Reading Challenge: Marvellous Makers, and how your child can join in!

Monday 22nd July: 12noon - 4pm

Billinge Parish Hall, Main Street

Wednesday 24th July: 2pm - 4pm

Seneley Green Parish Hall - Montrey Crescent

Friday 26th July: 9am - 10am.

Holy Trinity on rectory road



There will be a treasure hunt for children to enjoy as well as collecting their Summer Reading Challenge packs.



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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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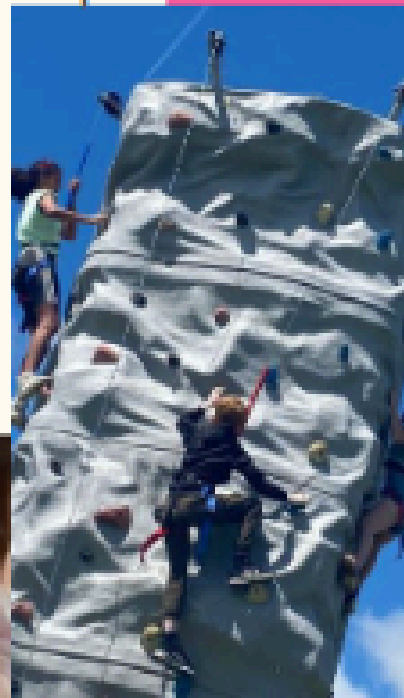
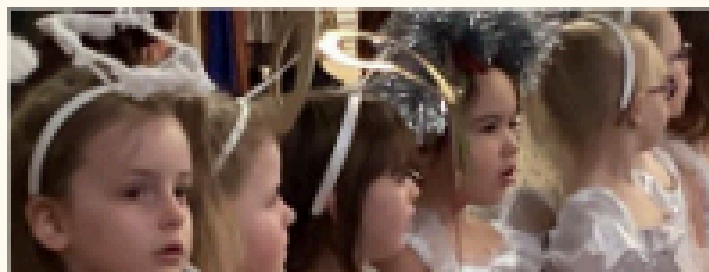
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PLACES
AVAILABLE

- 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:






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.

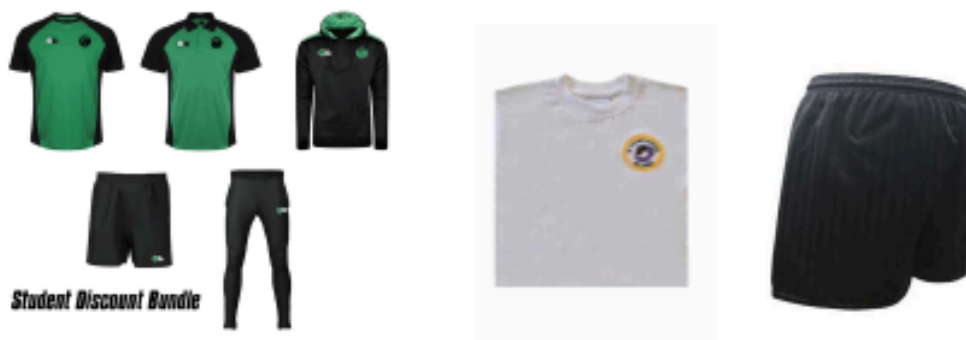


Green jumper/cardigan with or without school logo.
White Polo T-Shirt with or without school logo.



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.

School Holidays 2024-25

updated July 2024

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	Tuesday	5 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:		
Monday 2 nd September 2024	Monday 4th November 2024	Bank Holiday
Monday 2 nd June 2025	Monday 21 st July 2025	Good Friday 18 th April 2025
Tuesday 22 nd July 2025		Easter Monday 21 st April 2025
		Monday 5 th May and 26 th May 2025

Dates for your Calendar

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

July 2024

**22nd July 2024
1:30pm**

Whole School Leavers' Service in Church

23rd July 2024

**Year 6 Leavers Breakfast
Last Day of Term.**

September 2024

2nd September 2024

Inset Day

3rd September 2024

Welcome Back to School

13th - 15th September 2024

Year 6 PGL

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>

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 3rd September 2024 until Friday 25th October 2024

Week Commencing	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
	BC	ASC	BC	ASC	BC	ASC	BC	ASC	BC	ASC
02/09/2024										
09/09/2024										
16/09/2024										
23/09/2024										
30/09/2024										
07/10/2024										
14/10/2024										
21/10/2024										

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 13th July 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

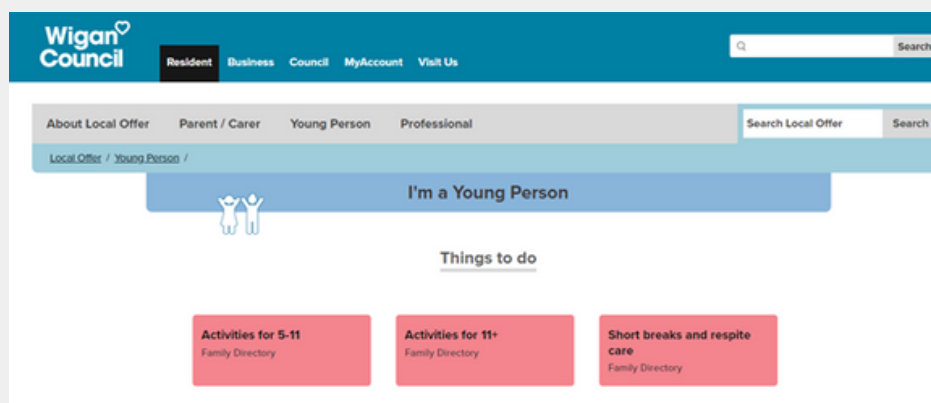
There are a number of support groups and play groups that take place weekly in the Wigan area. They are inclusive activities for children with SEND.



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

