



St. Aidan's Church of England Primary School

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"Live life in all its fullness" (John 10.10)

We have some exciting activities planned next week to celebrate **Friendship Week** and **Children In Need**.

Friendship Week



Next week it is national anti-bullying week. We call this **Friendship Week** at St. Aidan's.

This is an annual, national event that aims to promote diversity and inclusion by teaching acceptance, celebrating differences, and empowering people to challenge bullying. Throughout the week, school will be decorated with blue bunting and flags.



We will launch our Friendship week by having an **odd socks day** on **Monday 10th November**. All children will be invited to wear odd socks to school on Monday.

Children will take part in various friendship activities in their classrooms during the week. They will read a story and complete some artwork linked to a 'No outsiders' story.



Children from **Year 5** and **Year 6** will take part in 'The Big Sing' at St. Chad's Church on Wednesday afternoon with other local schools. They will sing a collection of songs celebrating friendship and diversity.

On Friday, **friendship bracelets** will be available to buy at a cost of **50p (cash only please)**. The proceeds from these bracelets will go towards Children in Need.



We are certain that friendship week will be a great success at St. Aidan's next week.

Children in Need

On Friday **14th November**, we will celebrate Children in Need Day.

The School Council have worked hard to plan a fun filled day.

Some of the fun activities the children will have the opportunity to take part in are;



- Wear something yellow or spotty for the day - **£1.00 (Please pay via ParentPay)**
- Enter a Pudsey raffle ticket - **50p a ticket (cash only please)**
- Take part in the Pudsey 25 Fitness Circuit Challenge
- Buy a Pudsey spotty biscuit - **50p (cash only please)**

We hope to be able to raise as much money as possible for children who are in need.



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Date	Event	Information
10 -14.11.25	Friendship Week	Activities taking place in school
14.11.25	Children In Need Day	More information will follow
14.11.25	Year 3 Collective Worship - 9.00am in School Hall	Parents of Year 3 are welcome to attend
17.11.25	School Photographs	More information will follow
24 - 26.11.25	Year 6 at Robinwood	More information will follow
28.11.25	Year 2 Collective Worship - 9.00am in School Hall	Parents of Year 2 are welcome to attend
05.12.25	Year 1 Collective Worship - 9.00am in School Hall	Parents of Year 1 are welcome to attend
09.12.25	9.30am Christmas Performance — Nursery and Reception	More information will follow
10.12.23	Year 1 - Year 6 Pantomime Visit @ Little Theatre, Gateshead	More information will follow
11.12.25	9.30am Christmas Performance - Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6	More information will follow
11.12.25	2.00pm Christmas Performance - Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3	More information will follow
12.12.25	9.30am Christmas Performance - Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3	More information will follow
12.12.25	2.00pm Christmas Performance - Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6	More information will follow
15.12.25	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Dress Up Day	More information will follow
15.12.25	Christmas Movie Night	After school - more information will follow
16.12.25	Christmas Parties in school – Year 1 and Year 2	More information will follow
17.12.25	Christmas Parties in school – Year 5 and Year 6	More information will follow
18.12.25	Christmas Parties in school – Nursery and Reception	More information will follow
18.12.25	Christmas Parties in school – Year 3 and Year 4	More information will follow
Christmas Holiday - School closes Friday 19th December 2025 at 2.30pm. School reopens Monday 5th January 2026		

Love, Forgiveness, Courage, Hope, Respect, Wisdom