

St. Aidan's Church of England Primary School

St. Aidan's NEWS

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

World Book Week Celebrations

Celebrating with

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DAY

Last week, we had a wonderful week at St. Aidan's celebrating World Book Week.

Various activities took place throughout the week, which ended with our World Book Day celebrations on Friday.

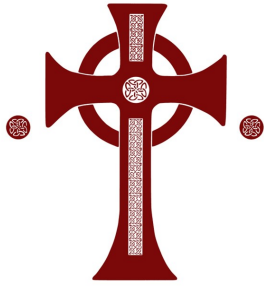
Children visited Dunston Library to browse the library, choose a book, and listen to a story. Children in Key Stage 2 took part in an online World Book Day lesson, children have shared a book with children in other classes and teachers have swapped classes to read their favourite stories to the children.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to attend our parents reading sessions. These were very well attended and were a great success.

Finally, the children came to school dressed as a character from their favourite story. The children had lots of fun sharing their costumes and characters with their peers.

As always, we appreciate your continued support with all the activities and learning opportunities we provide at St. Aidan's. Thank you.





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Comic Relief - Friday 20th March 2026

We will be celebrating Comic Relief on **Friday March 20th 2026**.

The children are invited to come into school wearing something red.

We will not be collecting donations in school this year, so please make your donations within the community if you would like to do so.

The children will take part in some fun Red Nose Day activities in class for the last part on the day on Friday afternoon.



Easter egg Competition

Children are invited to bring a decorated egg into school on **Monday 30th March**.

These will be displayed in school throughout the week. Winners will be announced in our Celebration Assembly on Thursday 2nd April.

We look forward to seeing your wonderful, creative ideas!



Attendance

At St. Aidan's **above 95% is expected attendance**.

We continually drive to improve this figure as we believe that being in school is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and wider development.

We want all of our children to gain from the learning opportunities we provide daily.

Attendance is discussed with the children regularly and we encourage them to attend school as often as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Date	Event	Information
16/03/26	Parent Meetings for Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6	Information will follow
17/03/26	Parent Meetings for Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6	Information will follow
20/03/26	Red Nose Day	Information will follow
27/03/26	Year 3 Collective Worship—9.00am	Year 3 Parents are welcome to attend.
30/03/26	Easter Egg Competition Entries to be in school	
31/03/26	Easter Eucharist— St. Chad's 10.30am (to be confirmed)	All Parents are welcome to attend
Easter Holiday School Closes Thursday 2nd April 2026 - School Opens Monday 20th April 2026		
School Closes at 2.30pm		

Parent Meetings

Parents Meetings will take place **next week** for children in **Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6.**

These will take place in school on **Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th March.**

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend the parents meetings for children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 last week.

Safeguarding Information at St. Aidan's

Safeguarding the children in our care is one of our main responsibilities and one that St. Aidan's takes seriously.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is the Head Teacher Mrs Lain. You can speak to Mrs Lain by phone, make an appointment via the school office, or catch her when she's outside greeting the children, if you ever have a concern.

We also have a team of Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads in school, Mrs Gourley (Deputy Head Teacher), Mrs Fraser (Year 6 teacher), Mrs Bullerwell (Year 5 teacher), Miss Quinn (Year 2 teacher) and Mr Stamp (Year 1 teacher).

If you are unable to speak to Mrs Lain, you can speak to any member of our Safeguarding Team about your concern (s).

The school has an updated Safeguarding policy, that can be found on the school website.

