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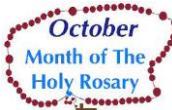
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Monthly newsletter: September 2025

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'Together we enjoy Learning, Achieving, Sharing and Praying. Let Jesus Love shine through in everything we do.'



Dear Parents/Carers,

What a wonderful start to the new academic year, it is always a joy to welcome all the children back after the Summer and to meet all our new starters in reception, Nursery and across the school. The start of the year is always about new beginnings, establishing new routines, relationships and expectations. We pride ourselves in our St Aidan's family about having high expectations of ourselves so we are able to be happy and ready to learn both mentally and physically. The children have made me so proud in how they have settled in and a great start to our new curriculum.

New families:

Welcome to all our new families who have joined our school community, it is lovely to meet you all and I encourage you to attend coffee mornings and school events so you become a core part of the school family.

Our 60th Anniversary:

This month we had the wonderful celebration of our 60th Anniversary. We celebrated Mass together with many guests who have been part of the St Aidan's family over the 60 years. Our choir sang beautifully and Mr Chapman from Palmer Academy supported us with live music for the occasion. Mr Nicholson who was one of the first four pupils in 1965 gave an inspiring speech how he remembers the kindness from St Aidan's that has remained in his heart through his journey in life. Thank you to Fr Mariusz and Fr Adam for celebrating the mass with us and reminding us of St Aidan's mission to serve others. Thank you to Sasha's grandma who made our beautiful cake for the occasion, it was enjoyed by all the guests.

The guests commented on how exceptional the children were and made them feel like VIPs! All the children then received a surprise treat in the afternoon of an ice cream van treat which finished off the day in a very special way.

To mark the occasion, we also had a whole school photo taken which was an exciting experience, especially for Year 6 on the top row. This will soon be available to purchase via parentmail if you are interested in a copy.

Choir:

The school choir had a great opportunity at the start of the month to join with Palmer students to sing at the Trust mass held at SSPP church. The choir performed beautifully in front of many staff from all the schools in our Trust and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity. The children will now be preparing and rehearsing to perform at the O2 in the Spring.

Tag rugby festival:

Some Yr 5 & 6 children had the great opportunity to participate in a Tag rugby tournament as part of the Redbridge sports partnership and achieved 2nd place! Well done to the team, they enjoyed the experience and made great progress throughout the tournament.

Please enjoy articles from the children: Nursery, Noah's Ark, Nathan (yr4), Diab (yr3), Charra (yr6), James (Yr6) & Habibah (Yr2)

Have a restful weekend, *Mrs. Campling*

Please ensure all your contact details are up to date with the school office and inform them of any changes. Please ensure you have provided emergency contact details for your child. Thank you.

Diary dates

1/10/25 – Black History month & Month of Mary

2/10/25 – Year 1 Parent phonics workshop at 3:30pm

3/10/25 – PINs parent coffee morning

6/10/25 – Yr 3 Class trip to Colchester castle

10/10/25 – Young minds Mental Health day wear a yellow item

14/10/25 – Yr 4 Class trip to the Ragged Museum

15/10/25 – Flu immunisations Rec-Yr6

16/10/25 - Year 1 Parent phonics workshop at 3:30pm

22/10/25 – Cultural celebration event 3-5pm all welcome

24/10/25 – End of Half term at 3:20pm



Cultural celebration event

22nd October 3-5pm

Please see the attached flyer about our exciting cultural celebration event. We need you!!

Let's celebrate the diversity in our school family by coming together to share our cultures.

Prospective parents open morning

**Wednesday 19th November
9:30am**

If your child is turning 4 years old by the 31st August 2026 and you are applying for a Reception place then please join our open morning.

Contact the school office to speak to admissions and book a tour: **0208 590 5223** –

admin@st-aidans.redbridge.sch.uk

Nut free school

Please remember to **not send in chocolates** to school for birthdays. This may cause a significant allergic reaction for some pupils or staff. Small packet of Haribo type sweets are suitable if you wish.



Water bottles

It is really important that your child has a water bottle at school each day to keep hydrated.

Please ensure:

- Plastic bottle (metal bottles not permitted)
- Water only
- Name labelled clearly

Secondary school applications

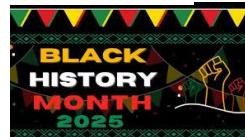
If your child is in Year 6 you will now be deciding on a secondary school for September 2026 – Yr 7.

You have to apply in the borough that you live not where the primary school is.

If you require any help with online access or completing application forms then please contact Miss Rickwood or Miss Uddin in the school office who can offer support.

Deadline for applications: 31st October 2025

Black History month



The theme this year is standing firm in power and pride which the children will explore in a variety of areas this month.

Young Minds Mental Health day



**Wear a Yellow item on
Friday 10th October**

For example:

- Ribbon, top, hat, badge, socks

We wear yellow loud and proud to show young people that they are not alone with their mental health.

There will be a cake sale at the end of the day to raise funds for the Young minds charity.

Throughout the day we will focusing on a variety of activities to highlight the importance of focusing on our mental health and how this impacts our whole being.

St Aidan's News!



Head prefects
Sasha, Charra, Favour & Lailana



Prefect team
Kyra-Rose, Clara, Melody, Allan, Loreen, Victoria, Varsha & James



**Meet
our new
Year 6
pupil
leaders
2025/26**



House Captains
Julia, Zoe, Chizaram, Muhammad

Head play leader – Alyssa
Play leader team – Affan, Ahsan, Raheem, Kemmy, Ryan, Annabelle, Aisha, Ibrahim & Diyan



Office Assistants
Anna, Margaret, Terrysh, Zion, Miley & Harriett

Librarian's
Helena, Miguel & Daniel

ICT leads
Adnan & Tait



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Nursery Newsletter

September 2025

**September has come to an end already.
Here's what Nursery has been up to!**



Welcome to our Nursery newsletter, September has been a great month!

We have welcomed back children who were with us last year and have helped our new friends to settle into the Nursery routine.



In RE we are learning about the Story of Creation! We learnt that God made the world and everything in it, including us! We have explored how we are different as well as all the wonderful ways that we are the same.



We are learning that we need to help take care of the world that God created. Some of the children helped to clear up the leaves outside the Nursery. Going forward we will be looking at who is in our family and how we can share God's love with them.

Please email us a family photo for our community board!





Birthday treats!



St Aidan's celebrated 60 years

The school celebrated its 60th Birthday this month! We all got to share a special treat in the playground, the children were so excited to see the ice cream van!

Happy Birthday St Aidans!



We have loved welcoming the children back into Nursery and are looking forward to all the wonderful things we will be doing over the next term and beyond!

Reminders



With the weather being unpredictable, please ensure that your child is wearing appropriate clothing when coming into Nursery.

Please email a family photo for our community board.

Don't forget to bring a water bottle each day for your child.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to speak to Mrs Ince, Mrs Higgins or Mrs Su at the gate!

Noah's Ark

Newsletter



St Aidan's Catholic Primary Academy

Sept 2025

This month in Noah's Ark

Welcome to the very first edition of our Noah's Ark newsletter! Each month we'll be sharing a little window into our classroom, celebrating the children's learning, exploration, and achievements. We'll also keep you updated on our current topics, special events, and ways you can support learning at home.

We are so excited to share the wonderful things the children get up to in Noah's Ark.

Thank you for being part of our adventure! Miss Chambers.

"We are so proud of how confidently the children have settled into the new school year. Their positive attitudes and excitement for learning have already set the tone for a fantastic term ahead."

Stay and Play

Thank you to our parents that attended Opal stay and play.



Happy Birthday!



Happy Birthday Tridon, the children celebrated with a tea party together.



We have been reading.....

The Tiger Who Came to Tea



Judith Kerr



Notices

We would love to hear what you would like to see in our next newsletter.



Can your child please bring in or email the school office a photo of their family.



As colder weather approaches please remember to send in coats and wellies.



Classroom Moments



Peace at Last
Jill Murphy

Teacher's Note

This half term our learning is all about 'our family and ourselves'. To help us explore this, we would love for you to send in a picture of your family for your child to share with the class.

Our next class book will be 'Peace at Last' by Jill Murphy. This lovely story follows Mr Bear as he tries to find a quiet place to sleep while the rest of his family go about their noisy bedtime routines. It's a wonderful book to help the children think about different roles within a family, the comfort of being together, and the importance of caring for one another, while also exploring different sounds we hear in our environment.



Our Values

Each year, every class is given a special value to represent in a frame displayed in the school. Noah's Ark has been given the value Love, and we have filled our frame with beautiful photos of the children showing love in different ways — through kindness, friendship, and caring for one another.

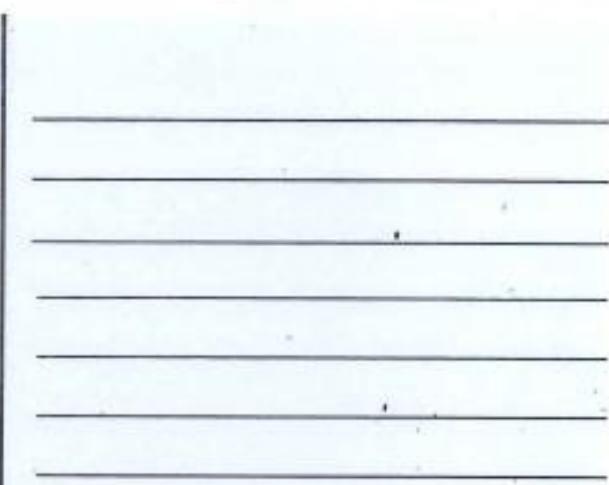
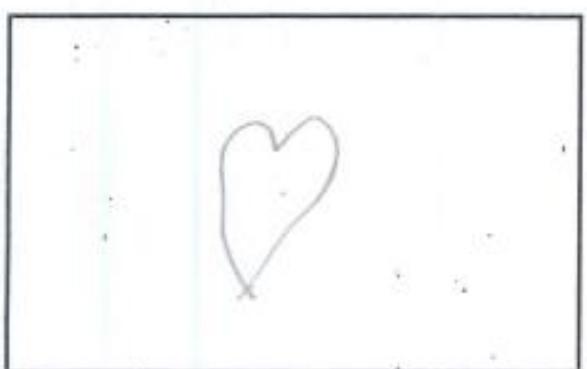
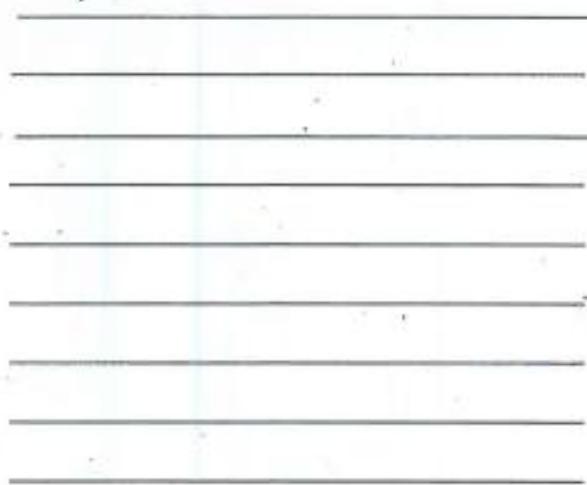
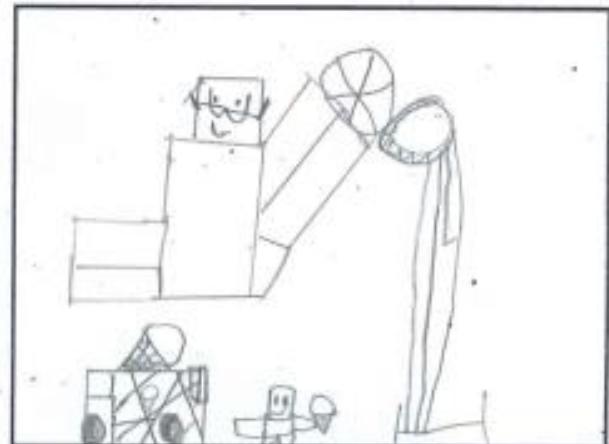


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ALL THE BREAKING NEWS FROM THIS MONTH

A highlight from this month has been
our 60th anniversary
celebrations we had a
wonderful time the choir
sang beautifully - I loved
being a part of it.



WHY WE LOVE OUR SCHOOL

I LOVE our school
because its a happy
and amazing and
wonderfull JOLLY
PLACE

Diab 3D



St Aidan's Times



ALL THE BREAKING NEWS FROM THIS MONTH

A highlight from this month has been there was a big surprise for all of us towards the end of the day, the ice cream van came and gave us delicious ice cream with sauce. Even though home time came quickly I still had a great time.



WHY WE LOVE OUR SCHOOL

There are so many places to play outside. Everyone has gone on different adventures.



St Aidan's Times



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A highlight from this month has been

On the 24th and 25th of September, we had our pupil interviews with Mrs. Cowpung and Mrs. Darra-Perssonally. I was really excited for my interview because my friend (Fiona) was quite scared. To the end, the interviews were so good! In my interview group, there was Victoria, Zara, Rya and me. Everyone did so well! I felt I had very good competition as in my

head project
Play leader I.C.T.
Monitor
House captain
Office assistant
Librarian Project

group we all had good answers and different ways to improve our school. There were lots of rules to go for but in the end they changed the rules so that most of

WHY WE LOVE OUR SCHOOL

we got a job. I am so happy I got a new role of head project.

Charra

Year 6

James



St Aidan's Times



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A highlight from this month has been

60th Anniversary Mass

On Friday 26th September St Aidan's celebrated 60 years. To celebrate we had a special mass. Fr Maurice and Fr Alan came to our school to kindly help host the mass. The organist played out and my father led a people through the organ to the full. There were many people and some of the people of



to watch the service was great and they enjoyed it. The Bishop of the Diocese of Doncaster, Bishop Alan Smith, came along with a few bishops from their chain. Bishop Alan was very friendly and the mass all in general

WHY WE LOVE OUR SCHOOL

The priests served our school and we thanked God for having such service. At the end of the service we all got to give towards the Bishop's Lenten Lenten Appeal. It was a very nice event!



St Aidan's Times



ALL THE BREAKING NEWS FROM THIS MONTH

A highlight from this month has been starting my new class in Year 2 with my new teacher. I am really enjoying learning my times tables, learning how to type in ICT and learning about the parts of plants.

In P.E. in P.E. I have worked hard at playing ball games with different people and making new friends.



I am really excited to learn more songs in our fun music lessons.
By Habibah.

WHY WE LOVE OUR SCHOOL