



Ss Aidan and Oswald RC Primary School

Newsletter - December 2025

We have had a very busy few weeks in school. Thank you to all the families who were able to join us for our prayer stations—such a lovely and meaningful opportunity to experience prayer with your child—and for attending our assemblies. Last week, our Nursery and Reception families enjoyed a wonderful Bedtime Story event, where the children listened to stories and ended the evening with a hot chocolate and biscuit. We also held our first Family Day of the year: the children took part in a speed stacking competition and came together for a family liturgy to finish the day. A big well done to all the children in the Mount Carmel family for winning the speed stacking! As we continue our journey through Advent, we look forward to the upcoming nativity performances, as well as our Advent Mass and carol service, which we warmly invite all families to attend.

Punctuality and Attendance

We appreciate there may be times when your child is unwell or absent due to exceptional circumstances. It is very important that you let school know if your child is going to be absent. Please contact school by **telephoning the school office** on **each day of your child's absence** unless you have informed us of the length of absence.

Doors open at 8.35am with registration at 8.45am. As soon as the children enter classrooms, there is work to be done and lessons begin at 8.50am so children arriving after that time will miss vital teaching and learning time. We accept that on occasion, lateness can happen due to a range of circumstances but punctuality is so important to ensure high quality learning time and avoiding distress or upset for children. The school day ends at 3.15pm and children need to be collected at that time. Care Club runs until 5.30pm every day (5pm on Friday) so the provision is there if you need after-school care.

Attendance Weekly Winners: In our Friday Good News Assembly, we have been celebrating the winners of the Highest Class Weekly Attendance Percentage. Here are the winners' for last month:

Week Commencing	Reception & KS1	KS2
03/11/2025	Year 1 Miss Butterworth 98.80%	Year 3 Miss Howard 97.80%
10/11/2025	Reception Miss Westerman 98.90%	Year 6 Mrs Kumah 97.70%
17/11/2025	Year Miss Maders 98.60%	Year 6 Mrs Kumah & Year 5 Mrs Anwar 99.30%
24/11/2025	Year 1 Miss Butterworth 94.80 %	Year 4 Miss Courtney 98.90%

Dates for your diary...

08.12.25 10.00am Reception & Nursery Nativity
4.00pm Reception/Nursery Sing & Sign Performance
09.12.25 10.00am Reception & Nursery Nativity
10.12.25 'Freddie Fit' in school
Christmas Dinner Day
Year 4 Swimming ends
2.45pm Year 3 Assembly in church
12.12.25 9.30am Year 4 Mass in church
15.12.25 2.00pm Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity
16.12.25 10.00am Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity
18.12.25 9.30am Whole School Mass (all welcome)
19.12.25 10.15am Carol Service in church
1.00pm Finish for Christmas
05.01.26 8.35am Back to School
06.01.26 9.00am 'The Epiphany' Whole School Mass in church (all welcome)
09.01.26 9.30am Year 3 Mass in church
16.01.26 9.30am Year 2 Mass in church
23.01.26 9.30am Year 6 Mass in church
30.01.26 9.30am Year 1 Mass in church
06.02.26 9.30am Year 5 Mass in church
PM Reception at Care Home
12.02.26 Pancake Toss
13.02.26 9.30am Whole School Mass (all welcome)
18.02.26 Ash Wednesday
26.02.26 Year 2 Trip to Manchester Airport
27.02.26 9.30am Year 4 Mass in church
05.03.26 World Book Day

Our PTA Dates for your Diary ...

12.12.25 Christmas Gift Sale 12.07.2026 Summer Fair



Sacramental Programme: The Sacramental Programme for children in Year 3 begins in **January 2026**

11.01.2026 9.30am Mass followed by Family Workshop 1 in the new hall
08.02.2026 9.30am Mass followed by Family Workshop 2 in the new hall
08.03.2026 9.30am Mass followed by Family Workshop 3 in the new hall
TBC First Confession date following workshop 3
19.04.2026 9.30am Mass followed by Family Workshop 4 in the new hall
10.05.2026 9.30am Mass followed by Family Workshop 5 in the new hall
15.06.2026 after school workshop
28.06.2026 First Holy Communion Mass

SCHOOL PLACES : We have spaces in a number of our year groups. If you know of any families moving into the area, please ask them to contact the school office on: 0161 652 2558.

We would love to show them round!



Ss Aidan & Oswald
RC Primary School's
Homepage QR Code