

St Aloysius Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Autumn Term: Issue 3 – Friday 29th September 2023



Weekly Attendance

	Last Week	This Week
Dublin 1	96.4%	100%
Dublin 2	95%	88.6%
Cardiff	96%	96%
Belfast	96.6%	94.5%
Edinburgh	96%	97%
Rome	95.3%	96.7%
Paris	95.3%	95.3%
Madrid	93.5%	95.8%
Washington	97.4%	91.3%
Cairo	96.4%	89.5%
Canberra	89%	94.3%
Brasilia	98.2%	99.1%
Whole school	95.5%	95%

Gospel reflection



This Sunday's Gospel is from Matthew 21:28-32. A man had two sons and he asked them both to go out and work in the vineyard. What did the sons say?

The first son said he would not go. But what happened next? He changed his mind and went as his father had asked him.

The second son said he would go. But what happened next? He did not go out to the vineyard. Jesus asks a question about this story. Which one of the two sons did what his father asked him to do? The first son or the second son?

The first son went and did what his father asked, even though at first, he did not want to.

Can you think of a time when someone asked you to do something? Did you, do it? Or did you just say you would do it?

How did you feel afterwards? And how do you think the person who asked for your help felt?

What will you do the next time someone asks you for help? How will you help other people in the coming week?

Why do you think Jesus tells this story? What is he trying to teach us?

The man in the story is God. And we are all God's children. So, Jesus is trying to tell us that we should listen to what God asks of us and then go and do what is asked.

It is not enough just to say that we will follow God in our lives. We actually have to go and do what is asked. We are called to live our lives as God wants us to.

Reception Admissions 2024

It is time to apply for a school; reception class place for the September 2024 intake.

- If your child's date of birth falls on or between 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020, now is the time to apply for a Reception Class place for September 2024.
- **There is no automatic transfer from nursery** – everyone must apply between 12 September 2023 and 15 January 2024 by completing the application form of the Local Authority in which you live.
- Knowsley residents should apply by accessing the online application portal via the Knowsley website www.knowsley.gov.uk .
- It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure they have read the admission policy of each school they are considering applying for and provide all the information required to support their application. **St Aloysius requires you to fill in a supplementary faith form. Your child must be baptised before the 15th January to be classed as a baptised catholic under our admission criteria.**
- For full information about the application and allocation process and admission policies for individual schools, visit the school admission pages at www.knowsley.gov.uk and access the 'Knowsley Primary Education, Information for Parents' prospectus.

For further advice, contact Knowsley School Admissions Team

Email: schooladmissions@knowsley.gov.uk

Tel: (0151) 443 3372 / 5143 / 5142

Click on link below to take you to Knowsley admissions

<https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/residents/education-and-schools/apply-for-a-school-place/annual-school-admission-procedures>

CLOSING DATE 15TH JANUARY 2024 (admission and supplementary form)

In partnership with Knowsley CLCs, all parent/carers are invited to an:

Online Safety Information Session

This session is delivered virtually so can be watched from anywhere!
We will share the link with you privately.

Current trends – what children are doing online and what apps/games are popular amongst children.

Understanding the Risks – a look at the risks associated with using technology, in particular when using social media, online gaming & live streaming.

What can you do? – suggestions on how you can support your child with their online lives and what parental controls are available to help you.

Further Support – signposting to services that are available to help you.

**WEDNESDAY
4TH OCTOBER
2023**

4PM – 4.45PM



Our Week - A snapshot!

EYFS- Nursery and Reception

Our EYFS children are learning all about Creation in RE this half term. Nursery have learnt that God made us and God loves everyone! This week, we started to learn about how God made the wonderful world and everything in it. The children talked about all of the things that they think are wonderful in our world.



Key Stage 1 –Year 1 and 2

In History Key Stage 1 have started learning all about the history of St Aloysius Primary School. We used maths equipment to create a timeline and compare how long we have been alive with how old our school is. Our school opened in 1937 and next year we will have another big change when we get a brand new building. We were surprised to find out the school had to close during World War 2 after a bomb dropped on the roof!

Lower Key Stage 2- Year 3 and 4

This week, LKS2 have been reflecting on the end of their homes and families topic. We have enjoyed learning about the holy family and the qualities which make a happy family. In our prayer and liturgy sessions, we thought about how we can make a difference to our families and community.



Upper Key Stage 2- Year 5 and 6

It's been an exciting week in UKS2 as we have held our elections for School Councillor. Pupils had to apply for the role on a written application form, stating why they wanted the role and how they could make a difference. They made persuasive posters and were short listed before having to present their ideas to the phase. It was nerve wracking, but we are so proud of how the children stood up and spoke confidently about their ideas in front of an audience. As we have been learning about democratic societies, each pupil was given a ballot paper to vote for the candidate they thought had the best ideas. This week, we have also voted for Wellbeing and Attendance Ambassadors. The children are excited to find out the results in Friday's assembly. Watch this space!

Lunch Menu – Week beginning 2nd October 2023

Monday 2 nd Oct	Tuesday 3 rd Oct	Wednesday 4 th Oct	Thursday 5 th Oct	Friday 6 th Oct
SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS IN TOMATO SAUCE	CHICKEN TIKKA MASALA WITH RICE	BBQ CHICKEN WRAP WITH WEDGES & BEANS	ROAST BEEF, ROAST POTATOES, CARROTS, YORKSHIRE PUDDING & GRAVY	FISH FINGERS, CHIPS & (MUSHY OR GARDEN PEAS)
JACKET POTATO (BEANS, TUNA, CHEESE OR COLESLAW)	JACKET POTATO (BEANS, TUNA, CHEESE OR COLESLAW)	JACKET POTATO (BEANS, TUNA, CHEESE OR COLESLAW)	JACKET POTATO (BEANS, TUNA, CHEESE OR COLESLAW)	JACKET POTATO (BEANS, TUNA, CHEESE OR COLESLAW)
SANDWICHES WITH A CHOICE OF FILLING - HAM, TUNA OR CHEESE	SANDWICHES WITH A CHOICE OF FILLING - HAM, TUNA OR CHEESE	SANDWICHES WITH A CHOICE OF FILLING - HAM, TUNA OR CHEESE	SANDWICHES WITH A CHOICE OF FILLING - HAM, TUNA OR CHEESE	SANDWICHES WITH A CHOICE OF FILLING - HAM, TUNA OR CHEESE
FROZEN YOGHURT	COOKIE	CHOCOLATE MOUSSE	MUFFIN	BANANA & CUSTARD

Diary Dates

October

Thursday 5th Oct – Football Huyton League

Friday 6th Oct – Harvest Mass - All parents are very welcome to attend. This will be followed by a coffee Morning for parents and parishioners, with the children singing harvest songs in their classes – Information is available on the app.

Monday 9th – Thursday 12th – Year 5 at Plas Caerdeon

Monday 16th Oct – Cross Country at St Edmund Arrowsmith

Wednesday 18th Oct – Disco night for all children

Thursday 19th Oct – Rock Kidz

Friday 20th Oct – Finish for half term at normal time.