

Friday 20th October

Dear Parents and Carers,

We break up today for the half term. *The weather is decidedly Autumnal now so please make sure that when the children return after the holidays they have coats on!*

Mini Vinnies – the new group visited the Food Bank this week and were commissioned alongside the other children in the Catholic Cluster.

We will work together for our community this year.

Eco Council – the children will be running a healthy lunchbox competition over the holidays.

Please ask your child what the Eco Council has asked them to do in order to make our school a healthy eating school.

New Lunch Menu – please see the school website. https://www.st-aidans.co.uk/serve_file/21247672.

Please do not allow yourself to get in debt with lunch money. **Money must be paid in advance of the week.**

Assemblies. We thank Y5 for their wonderful assembly on God's creation and we look forward to Y6 and their assembly on the **2nd November at 9am.**

School Plays. We will now be on countdown to that time of year again. Please look on the website and save the dates! <https://www.st-aidans.co.uk/events>

Parents/Carers' Evening. Many thanks for your support and attendance on Wednesday.

Please could you contact the office if you did not manage to make an appointment.

Attendance. The half term attendance is 93.88%. We are aiming for 97%.

The number of children with attendance less than 90% (Persistent Absentees) is 21%. This is a high number of children and needs to be reduced over the next half term. Please ensure that your children are in school and on time.

Sacramental Programme for Y3. We already have many children signed up for the Holy Communion programme. Please can you ensure that if you want your child to make their Reconciliation and Holy Communion that you have informed school. *The programme will begin with the Enrolment Mass on **Saturday 2nd December at 6pm at Saint Hilda's Church.***

E- Safety. Over the holidays if your children are accessing more online then please see the safety information on our website.

This will ensure that your child is as safe as they can be and you are aware of the potential problems that they could face and prevent them from happening. <https://www.st-aidans.co.uk/page/keeping-safe-online/50178>

We return to school on Monday 30th October.

Thank you for your continued support.

With prayers for a lovely half term,

Sarah Yates
Headteacher