

The History of our School

William Cassidi Church of England Primary School in Stillington, near Stockton-on-Tees, was opened on September 27, 1911. The school was named after William Cassidi, who was the Vicar of Grindon parish for 41 years and a key figure in Stillington, having helped initiate the building of St John's Church. The school is a voluntary aided Church of England primary school and continues to operate today. The school officially opened as a church school on the 17th November 1985 by the Lord Bishop of Durham.

The previous Village School on Lawson Street was built in 1877 for the Whitton and Stillington Board Schools. Seniors and Juniors moved to the new school in 1911. However, Infants remained at the old school until 1961, when the building became the Village Hall.

The school continues to serve the local community of Stillington, the surrounding villages and Wynyard estate.

Key Information

- **Opening:** The school opened on September 27, 1911.
- **Named after:** William Cassidi (1814-1882), a vicar who was instrumental in local area development.
- **Location:** Stillington, near Stockton-on-Tees.
- **Legacy:** As the school's namesake, Cassidi was significant for his role in the community, including helping to fund the construction of St John's Church