



# William Cassidy C. of E. Aided Primary School

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## Newsletter Spring 1 - 2026

### Thank you

During the Autumn term we took part in a number of charitable fundraisers: Harvest, Remembrance and Children in Need. Through the Harvest and Children in Need appeal we raised over 2,000 items for Stockton and Billingham Foodbank. Through the Remembrance Appeal we raised £225.94. £208.01 was raised during the Christmas performance raffle, which provided party food for all children in the final week of term. The school Christmas Fayre raised an amazing £1,240.62 for school funds. This money will go towards organising our first community family fun day in the summer term. Thank you for your generosity.

### Alteration to Morning Entry

From Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January we will be making a slight alteration to procedures at the start of the school day. The school gates will open just before 8:45am and children will come directly into the building (usual entrance points). This procedure is always followed on wet mornings as standard but we feel this arrangement on a permanent basis will positively impact pupils. The school gate will close at 9:00am as normal.

### Key Dates for your Diary

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	School closed to pupils. Staff training day.
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	School re-opens to pupils for Spring term.
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Playgroup recommences.
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Dance club recommences for existing pupils. New intake after February half-term.
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> January	Spanish club recommences for existing pupils. New intake after February half-term.
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	Y3 begin two weeks of swimming lessons at Splash in Stockton. PM each afternoon for x 2 weeks.
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	Y1 visit to Queen's Campus, Durham for sporting event. ABC Pirate Festival.
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	Y5 visit to Darchem Engineering. PM.
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Y6 visit to Darchem Engineering. PM.
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y5 begin two weeks of swimming lessons at Splash in Stockton. PM each afternoon for x 2 weeks.
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Childrens' Mental Health Week
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Y4 Racket skills at Queen's Campus, Durham. PM.



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Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Prayer Space Day
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	EYFS Festival - Queen's Campus, Durham
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	NSPCC workshop in school
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Final day of term
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Start of Spring term two

## Considerate Parking

Please use the free car park by St John's Church if you are using a vehicle to bring your child to or from school. In the winter months we always notice an increase in inconsiderate parking - particularly on wet mornings. Illegal parking is to be reported to civic enforcement (ideally with the car registration number) on 01642 528439 or email to [civic.enforcement@stockton.gov.uk](mailto:civic.enforcement@stockton.gov.uk). School staff do not have the capacity, legal right or legal responsibility to enforce traffic lawfulness. Increased reporting to civic enforcement will result in increased patrols from the LA traffic enforcement agency during peak times. Thank you for working with us to ensure our school community can remain as safe as possible during the darker days of winter.

## Christmas Holiday Clubs

During the Christmas holidays there are a number of events available for children locally. Stockton Town FC have Christmas Holiday Camps on 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> December. Contact Joe Lillie via [joe.lillie@stocktontownfc.com](mailto:joe.lillie@stocktontownfc.com) or on 07456289106. For families in receipt of benefits, there are a number of activities available for children through the 'Holidays Are Fun' programme. Children can be booked on to activities via [haf@stockton.gov.uk](mailto:haf@stockton.gov.uk). We also issued the Primary Times to children a couple of weeks ago. The magazine includes details for all local events and vouchers are included.

## Merry Christmas

We wish our school community a very merry Christmas and thank you for your continued support. We are very proud to work in partnership with you to ensure the children of William Cassidy thrive in our school.

Yours sincerely,

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