

*Dear families*

*It has been a busy few weeks with a lot of different weather types!*

*When it snowed, we managed to allow the children to play outside, but as the snow arrived so quickly and unannounced not all children had footwear that would protect their feet, so they couldn't play out for a long time. We know that children love snow and we want them to enjoy it as much as they can. Therefore, if it does snow again, please send your child with wellies, walking boots, snow boots etc on; they can bring in their normal shoes also to get changed into - this means that we can allow the children to have more fun in the snow. If possible, also send in spare gloves as it is hard to get them all dried between break times.*

*When the yards are slippery, we monitor this and only allow the children to play out if it is safe to do so. This does mean that sometimes we have to have indoor breaks even though it is dry outside; we will also keep children in during high winds as your children's safety is vitally important to us.*

*Our Christmas events start next week and we are looking forward to welcoming you all into school or Church during Advent. There will be raffles in school/church, so please bring £1 to events if you wish to purchase tickets. We will also have our card reader at events where possible. All proceeds go directly to the children and reduce the costs of trips, pay for events or purchase items for the yards.*

*Thank you*

*Mrs Tumelty*

## **Parent Survey**

As part of our continuous dedication to improve our school, we would like you to take part in our parental survey. We are aware that you have also completed a paper version of similar questions at recent parent/ carer consultations, but we would be grateful if you could also complete this.

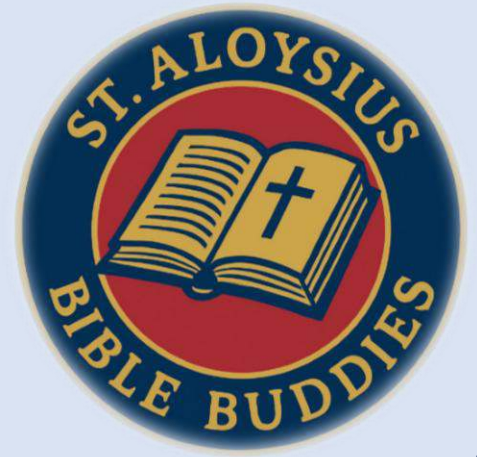
Click here -Parental survey link or SCAN the QR code.



## St Aloysius Bible Buddies

On a Monday lunchtime, we will be running a new club called Bible Buddies. This will give the children the chance to explore readings from the Bible in greater depth. This is a drop-in group and we are beginning with the junior children before introducing it to the infant children.

We are hoping that the group will become confident enough to share their reflections with the rest of the school. Once the group is set up, we will invite some members of the community to join the buddies.



## Prayers and Mission

During our whole school gatherings, we have been talking about the reasons we pray and what prayers are. The children all know that everyone in school leads prayer and we can pray in various different ways.

We have also been teaching children new prayers; they can be found following the link below.

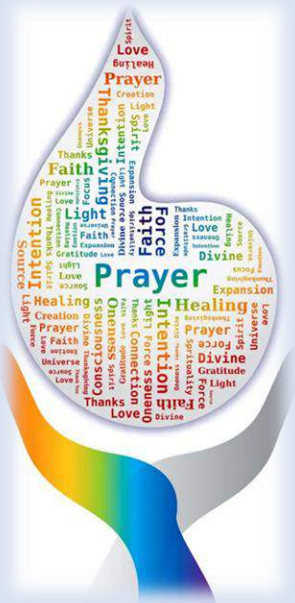
## St. Aloysius Prayer Book

As you know, in September we updated our Mission statement to make it more child friendly and relatable.  
**‘Live Life to the Full’ John 10:10**

Below are links to two documents that explain our Mission and Vision.

## St. Aloysius Mission and Vision for adults

## St. Aloysius Mission for children



The children are learning sign language for many of our prayers. We are planning on recording them, but in the meantime please ask your child if they can remember any of the signs.

## Christmas Events





### Kindness Café

REMINDER- We offer a kindness café to each of the classes; they are all going to be held in the junior hall this year; between 8:30-8:55am and give you the chance to meet school staff and other families and have your breakfast. Children and siblings are welcome before they go to class and best of all they are free!

Year 3- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Year 4- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Year 5- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Year 6- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026

### Prayers to share

