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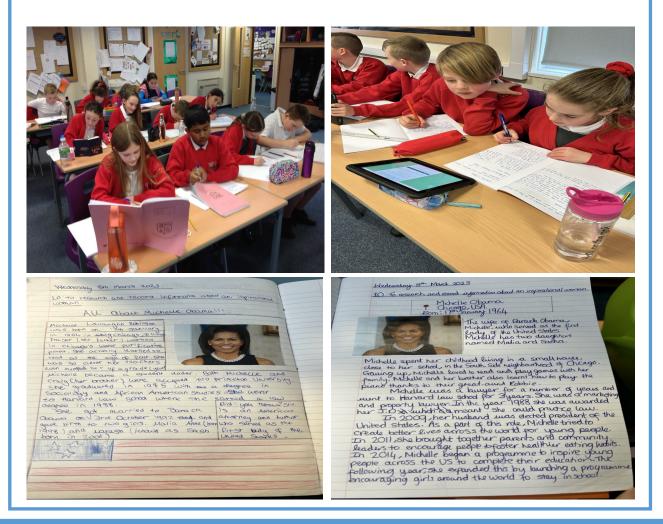
<u>Newsletter</u>

<u>10th March 2023</u>

# **Spotlight on Year 6**

On Wednesday alongside the whole school, Year 6 marked International Women's Day by learning about inspirational women. Our focus was on Michelle Obama and understanding the impact she had on those around her even from an early age and through her college days. The children researched and then produced an informative fact file

Year 6 have also continued their work on classification in Science, Unity in RE as well as focusing on discussion and debate in English. This focus comes from the novel The Dancing Bear and whether using animals for entertainment is right or wrong.





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# **Message from Headteacher**

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

A huge thank you to our caretaker, Mr Donnelly, who arrived at school early this morning to clear paths of snow to ensure all our children, staff and families could arrive at school as safely as possible.

St Anne's Open Afternoon - Friday 24th March – 1.30pm to 3.00pm - All parents, carers and grandparents are invited to visit St Anne's School and Nursery to celebrate the excellent educational, pastoral and faith development that takes place throughout our school. Your child will bring home today an invitation for you to attend the Open Afternoon and another invitation for you to give to a friend. We need your help to increase the number of children joining our school. Whenever a family visits St Anne's they always stay! This is due to the superb school family that we all contribute to.

Sporting Success - Congratulations to all our superb girls who won their football competition this week. Lottie, Evie, Abbie, Ava, Annie, Isabelle, Esme, Isabelle, Marissa and Esme will now progress to represent West Lancashire in the next phase of the competition. Also, congratulations to Rosie-May and Genevieve who won their dancing competitions in Paris last weekend with their team being crowned European champions!

Parking near schools – please see message from a local council meeting regarding parking near schools.

'Mr Bates. As discussed earlier, residents complained to members of the council about parking issues involving encounters, noise and pollution from engines left on and the length of time cars are being left near schools. Arrangements have been made for further monitoring in the near future (police/wardens) at sites. The solution suggested was use of car parks such as Morrisons which would mean walking children to schools but they still remain in close proximity. If an email could be sent to make parents aware it could be a help to us. Thank you for any assistance' Dogs tied to the school fencing

Please can all dog owners be aware that many children and staff in school are afraid of dogs. We have had a few incidents where children have been scared by dogs when walking to school due to dogs barking when being tied to the school fencing.

Vacancy – We have a vacancy for a dinnertime supervisor at St Anne's. The role would include playing games with our children and supervising dinnertimes for an hour and a half each day. If you are interested in finding out more, please ask Mrs Oates in the main office.

Wishing all our families a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates

Headteacher



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#### Curriculum News

**Nursery** We have been talking about 'Pets' in Nursery this week, the children have talked about the pets that they have at home and have shared how they look after them. We have talked about the different needs that each of the pets has. The children have enjoyed reading the story 'Formidable Sid'. they have used wonderful listening skills, and have used a wide vocbulary to describe the character, Sid. In the story ' Harold's worst night-mare' the children were able to describe the different feelings that Harold was having in the story, we talked about how nice it is to make new friends.

**Reception** This week in Reception we have listened to the story Dear Dinosaur. We came up with our own questions and then researched the answers to these. We wrote a letter to Max telling him what we had learnt. We have also started our new topic in Religion ' growing', we have discussed what grows and what certain things need to grow. We also had a special arrival in Reception this week and are waiting with anticipation to see how many of our eggs will hatch.

Year 1 This week the children have been busy in English writing a beginning, middle and ending to their own fantasy story of 'No-Bot the Robot'. The children created their own story maps to help them with their story. This week in Maths we have started our 'measurement' topic comparing different heights and lengths of objects using the language 'shorter, longer and taller'. The children have really enjoyed learning about the different groups of animals in Science, this week we learnt all about reptiles!

**Year 2** Another busy week of learning in the Year 2 Animal Kingdom! The children have started writing their own chapter of 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark'. Their ideas have been amazing, as has their use of adverbs! Well done Y2 Star Writers!

In Maths the children have completed their unit of work on length and measure. They have been able to measure and compare lengths. Super work!

On Wednesday the children celebrated International Women's Day by reflecting on the inspiring women that they have studies in History this year: Florence Nightingale, Edith Cavell, Amy Johnson & Amelia Earhart. They have written the most amazing acrostic poems dedicated to how motivating they are.

**Year 3** "As Easter approaches we have begun working on our Easter Reflection - the children all have their parts and we hope to start rehearsing on Monday - we will be performing the play on Wednesday and Thursday (29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>). In English we have been looking at mystery writing, especially looking at poetry and in Science we have learnt about how fossils were formed in sedimentary rocks. In PE we learnt how to hurdle, though we looked more like we were jumping over Aintree's Becher's Brook!"

**Year 4** This week, Year 4 have been researching how plastics affect animals as part of the Recycling and Rubbish topic. In Maths, the children have been adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator. In PE, the children have been creating their own circuits and learning how to jump over hurdles.

**Year 5** The children have been learning about Emmeline Pankhurst as their inspirational women for International Women's Day. Also to celebrate International Women's Day (on Wednesday), the girls were prioritised for playing football.

Year 6 See Spotlight



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<u>Star of the</u>	Mission State-	
<u>Week</u>	<u>ment</u>	
Ivy S	Jessica B	
Maisie F	Jacob H	
Jack B	Isla D	
Jack I	Ellis M	
Ophelia W	Luna G	
Will C	Finlay S	
Charlotte O	Grace P	
Luna G	Sham D	
Jack C	Bobby B	
Isabelle D	Isaac M	
Billy B	Lilian C	
Eliza E	Ollie F	
Daniel B	Annie Mc	
Bella G	Jack C	



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# St Anne's Toddler Group

St Anne's Toddler Group meets every Thursday morning during term time. It is open to all families and it is a great opportunity to meet new people whilst your children play. Each week there is a different activity including Creation Station, a local craft activity company, offering lots of different crafts for children to do. We also offer fun with food activities, messy play, stories, singing and lots more.

There is no need to book just come along to St Anne's School on a Thursday morning, 9am - 11am. A small charge of £2.00 for the 1st child and 50p for each other child is required.



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#### PTA NEWS.

Break the rules day will be happening on March 31st. We'll send more details nearer the time.

The next PTA meeting is planned for Thursday 30th March. It's an evening one so it will include the PTA discussions as well as a social catch up. All welcome! Put it in your diaries...but we'll be sure to send a reminder nearer the time.

At our most recent PTA meeting we welcomed our new Co-chair; and also recruited a few more positions to our core committee. Welcome!! The minutes from this meeting will be available on the school PTA section of the website soon.

Exciting times here at St Annes PTA - supporting our lovely school and amazing children.

Want to be involved? Please get in touch; we would love to hear from you!

We still have core committee roles available as well as year group reps and we are always in need of volunteers for events.

Have a lovely weekend 😳

Thanks for your ongoing support St Annes PTA Volunteers





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