



### 10th December 2021

### **Spotlight on Nursery**



This week in Nursery we have been learning the story of Christmas, we have been joining in with the story using various actions to represent the

different people.



The children have been very busy creating
Christmas surprises to take home next week and have enjoyed singing Christmas songs.





Some children went for Breakfast with Santa on Thursday, we were very excited to go and delighted when we received a present each from him.



Stars of the week: Silvie C, Teddy W, Beatrice W





### **Message from Headteacher**

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

A massive 'Christmas Thanks' to all our families who have supported school over the past week. Whether you attended our Infant Nativity, or you gave your time to help organise and manage 'Breakfast with Santa', our children have had a wonderful week. To all the parents, teachers and school staff who have worked so hard to make this week very special, I thank you all and wish everyone a peaceful and merry Christmas.

We will continue with our sensible approach to managing the risk of Covid for the final week of term. Children will continue to spend break times and dinnertimes in their year group bubbles with assemblies and collective worship being class based. Over the past week, there has been no increase in Covid cases in school, with rates of infection being similar to the general community.

I am confident that the final week of Christmas celebrations will take place. All Christmas events that are on the school website calendar, www.st-annesrc.lancs.sch.uk, will go ahead unless school communicates differently.

Wishing all our families a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates

Headteacher



### St. Anne's

## <u>Catholic Primary School</u> Newsletter



### **Curriculum News**

**Nursery** Please see this week's spotlight.

**Reception** This week we have been very busy! We performed our Nativity for all the children and teachers in school and also for our grown-ups at home. The children did a super job and made us all very proud! We also started learning about the Christmas story and how other countries celebrate Christmas. We also enjoyed Breakfast with Santa!

**Year 1** We have had such an exciting week in Year 1. In English the children have started to look at the Christmas poem 'Twas the Night Before Christmas'. We really enjoyed our delicious Christmas dinner and our breakfast with Santa. The children loved meeting Santa and received a special gift. We are really in the Christmas spirit now and can't wait for more celebrations next week.

**Year 2** This week the children have done some fabulous work in Maths on identifying and describing 3D shapes using some amazing Mathematical vocabulary! Well done children! In English, the children have learned how to write a Kenning poem. Not only have they written Kennings about themselves, but they have also created a Kenning about the characters of the Big Bad Pig and the Three Little Wolves.

**Year 3** A busy penultimate week in Year 3. With fractions, measuring, comics, the history of Ormskirk! The children also enjoyed Christmas dinner and Breakfast with Santa and are looking forward to their Christmas party on Wednesday!

**Year 4** Year 4 continued their learning about the transatlantic slave trade this week. The focus for this week was Liverpool's history in relation to the slave trade. The children explored the history behind the names of streets, memorials and statues that have links to the slave trade.

**Year 5** Year 5 have had a very busy week rehearsing their reading parts for the Carol Concert. This will be the first large performance that the children have done since year 2, due to the pandemic, and they are growing in confidence every day. Year 5 performed for Miss Williams class on Wednesday afternoon, and they were brilliant. We are all very proud of them.

**Year 6** We have really enjoyed supporting our Reception buddies with their very first Nativity. We read the narration of the story, sang them a lullaby and joined in with the hand actions for their songs.





## Our Award Winners!

## Star of the Week Mission Statement

Mia H Ellie-Mae S

Sebastian J Joseph P

Ted C Harrison S

Ben M Ethan H

Theo G Jaxon R

Henry B Finley I

Jacob C Noah C

Gabriella C Amelia W

Bethany R Max S

Ethan R Ghazal D

Harry H & Daisy F Nancy R

Lucy F Elin H

Matthew W James E

Sam H Joe D





### **School Council News**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The School Council have been busy trying to find ways to bring some festive cheer during our last week at school. On Wednesday 15th December, we are holding our Santa Fun Run during which the children will complete as many laps of the junior playground in 20 minutes as they can! All pupils have brought home sponsor forms and we hope that they are able to raise a little money, which will help us to improve playground equipment across the school.

Following our school assembly visit, we are supporting Cafod as our charity this year. The money we raise from our Christmas cake sales is going towards the CAFOD World Gifts project, which will help to change the lives of families living in poverty.

Our Christmas cake sales will take place next Monday and Tuesday morning to raise money for this wonderful cause. On Monday, we would gratefully accept donations of cakes (just one packet of cakes per family) for the School Council to sell.

Best wishes,

Mrs Avington and the School Council





### **PTA News**

Thank you to all those involved in organising and supporting this years Breakfast with Santa. The children absolutely loved it (as did the volunteers!). A special thanks to the Year 5 reps & event team for their preparation and hard work; the teachers & staff for the setting up the hall making everything so festive and to Santa himself for making time to come visit in his very busy schedule! If your child was unable to attend on the day; please



pop over to the school office to collect the gift Santa has left for you. Ho ho ho!

### **Christmas Card Project**

This year's Christmas Card project raised just shy of £390 for the PTA, well done everyone! These funds will be used to support future school projects. Families and friends of the school will be receiving some very unique gifts this festive

period!

#### Are you planning on doing some online Christmas Shopping?

DON'T FORGET that whenever you buy anything online you could be raising free donations for **St Anne's Catholic Primary School, Ormskirk** with easyfundraising.



Follow <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stannesormskirk/">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stannesormskirk/</a> to learn more.

The next PTA Meeting is on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January from 9am in the Parish Centre Lounge Thank you for your ongoing support, St Annes PTA

### St Anne's Church Bulletin

The Bulletin is available on the Church website: <u>stannes-ormskirk.org.uk</u>

A link is available at the bottom of every page on our school website also.