



# St. Anne's Catholic Primary School

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Friday 12th December 2025

## Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers

Well what an action-packed week we have had in school! It has been wonderful to see our youngest children perform their Nativity play this week. They were so confident: loud, clear, and full of joy and excitement, as they told the simple but powerful story of Jesus' birth, bringing hope to our world. Their enthusiasm filled the hall, and it was clear how much effort they had put into learning their lines and singing their songs so beautifully. Well done to our EYFS team for all the hard work I know goes into this. It was a privilege to share this special moment with so many of our families, and I know the children were delighted to see you all there supporting them. Well done, Reception! Your performance captured the hope and warmth that Christmas brings.

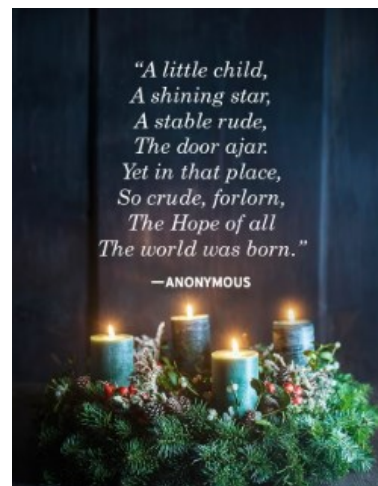
It was also an absolute joy to witness our Year Five children in church for our Carol Concert on Wednesday evening. Their singing was phenomenal; their readings were delivered with clarity, and the message they shared told the story of Advent with joy and hope in abundance. The reverence and maturity they showed made us all incredibly proud. A big thank you to Mr Brindle, our Chair of Governors for playing the accompanying music for them and well done to the Year Five Team for their hard work.

A big thank you also goes to Mrs Cooper and everyone in the kitchen for preparing our wonderful Christmas lunches this week; the musical and festive cheer in the halls made it fun for everyone.

School has been a hive of all things Christmas this week: festive crafts, generous acts of kindness, and the Santa Dash (even Coco joined in!). I am well aware that next week it will get even busier! School is certainly thriving in the midst of Christmas buzz and our children never fail to make us smile because of it; they are the heart of everything we do.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Miss D Dewhurst  
Headteacher



## Mission Statement

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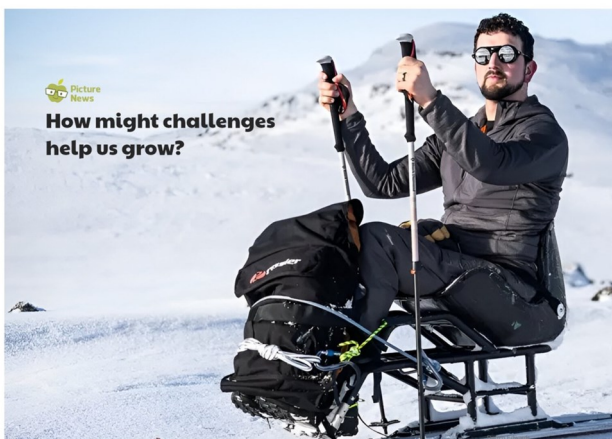
## The Gospel according to Matthew 11:2-11

While John the Baptist was in prison, he heard what Christ was doing and he sent some of his followers to ask Christ, "Are you the one sent by God, or do we have to wait for someone else?" Jesus answered, "Go back and tell John what you hear and see: the blind see again, and the lame walk, lepers are cured, and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised to life. The Good News is being announced to the poor; and happy are those who do not lose faith in me." As the messengers were leaving, Jesus began to talk to the people about John: "He is the one of whom scripture says: 'Look, I am going to send my messenger before you'. I tell you solemnly, of all the children born of women, one greater than John the Baptist has never been seen; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he is.

Dear Lord Jesus **Christ**, please help us to be open to your love and healing and to grow in faith as we celebrate your birth this **Christmas**. Amen

## St Anne's Church Bulletin

The Bulletin is available on the Church website:  
[stannes-ormskirk.org.uk](http://stannes-ormskirk.org.uk)



**British  
Values**



### Individual Liberty

We all have the freedom to choose challenges that help us learn and grow. Darren's journey shows us we can set our own goals to help us discover what we're capable of.

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## *Follow in the footsteps of St Anne*

It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open doors of Hope."

**Pope Benedict XVI**





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## In school this week.....

### Nursery

The children have had a very Christmassy week, they all enjoyed their Christmas dinners and the Santa run! We have been learning and singing Christmas songs and lots of Christmas dancing. The children have been enjoying dressing up in the Nativity costumes and dressing up as Santa and his elves. We have been very busy making different Christmas Crafts and having fun with our friends. We are getting very excited!



### Reception

What a very festive week we have had in Reception! We have really enjoyed performing our Nativity play for our loved ones. We used lovely clear voices to speak and wonderful singing voices. We have been creating Christmas cards for our families and for patients in hospital to spread Christmas love and joy. We loved taking part in the Santa Fun Run on Wednesday, we loved our Y6 buddies helping us too.







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## Year 1

This week in Year 1, the children have been busy learning all about *recounts* in English, with a special focus on using past-tense –ed verbs. They even wrote their very own recount of The Christmas Story and did a fantastic job. In Maths, the children have been working hard to compare numbers, confidently identifying which are greater than, less than, or equal to one another. In Science, we have been exploring the signs of winter. The children have started their own weekly weather diaries, carefully observing and recording the different changes in our winter weather. In R.E., the children enjoyed going on a tour around the school to look for signs of Christmas, spotting festive symbols and decorations along the way. Year 1 had great fun taking part in the Santa Fun Run—there were lots of smiles, festive excitement, and plenty of energy!



## Year 2

This week Year 2 have enjoyed a mixture of Christmas activities and exciting lessons! In English, we have started our poetry topic, looking at kennings and how they are structured. In Maths, we have been counting the faces, edges and vertices on 3d shapes. In Jam Coding, we created and filmed our own animations. In Music, we have performed our own musical stories. In DT we completed a taste test of different types of gingerbread; we evaluated each one and voted for our favourite! In RE, we looked at how Advent is celebrated differently around the world. During PE, we continued to work on our tennis skills and during the Santa Dash we demonstrated great determination and joy, as we completed laps together around the playground!



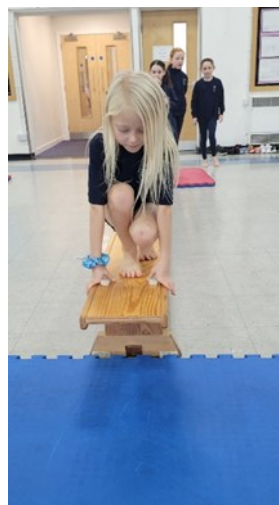


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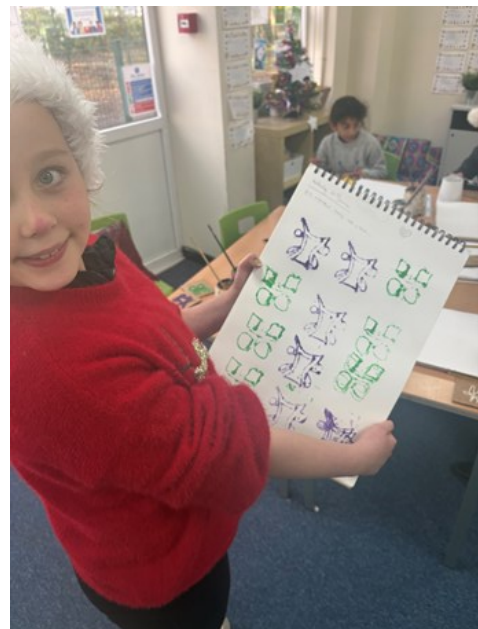
## Year 3

In Year 3 this week the children have written their own fantastic comics and illustrated them in great detail. In R.E the children have been learning about Joseph's family tree and discovered he was related to King David. They then drew their own family tree to understand how we can be related to different people. In P.E we have been putting together different travels and jumps to make a sequence. The children have also been using the vault which was very exciting. Finally, in art and design the children have been exploring and sketching different statues of angels and exploring the various techniques to make a clay model. They then designed their own angel and made it with clay this afternoon ready for decorating them next week.



## Year 4

We have had a fantastic week. We have continued to work hard in all areas of the curriculum with some added Christmas fun on top. In maths, we have started to look at written methods for multiplication and have finished writing our own stories based on 'Journey to Jo'Burg'. For art, we finished our printing blocks and have been experimenting with them, using paint. We thoroughly enjoyed our Christmas lunch and the 'Santa Fun Run' in the afternoon. In computing we have also finished our quizzes on Scratch and enjoyed trying each other's out.







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## Year 5

Thank you to everyone who came to the Carol Service on Wednesday evening at St Anne's Church - it was a very special evening. The children of Year 5 were amazing and a real credit to our school family. We are now back in the serious stuff of learning again and studying time - we have been learning to read train and bus timetables, so hopefully we don't miss our next bus to Liverpool. In Science we have been learning how much sugar 100ml of warm water will dissolve until saturation point is reached and we have learnt to sieve and filter. We have had a great time in all our lessons this week!



## Year 6

Year 6 have had a hard-working week, it's been their Autumn 2 assessment week. (Mean teachers!) But they have knuckled down and really focused in amongst all of the Christmas excitement! They enjoyed their Christmas dinner and the Santa fun run on Wednesday. In PE and Tag Rugby this week they worked on their tagging skills against partners and have completed their gymnastics topic with West Lancs. In Science, the children practically tested different types of beaks for bird by picking up seeds - it was harder than they first thought! Bring on the last week of Christmas fun!

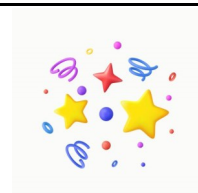
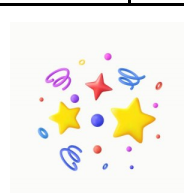
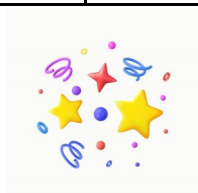




## OUR AWARD WINNERS



Year Group	Star of the Week	Mission Statement
Nursery	Roux McG	Vincent C
Class 1	Myles P	Joshua L
Class 2	Thomas D	Orla P
Class 3	Jack M	Molly H
Class 4	Julian W	Eleanor G
Class 5	Eden McQ	Theo R
Class 6	Harriet S	Freddie S
Class 7	Ava G	Sara J
Class 8	Rafferty S	Mark McC
Class 9	Harrison H	Orson O
Class 10	Annalene H	Laney B-G
Class 11	Ethan M	All of Class 11
Class 12	RubyT/Patrick P	All of Class 12
Class 13	Franklin B	Harry H
Class 14	Lyla U	Harry L





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## Attendance for Week Ending 05/12/2025

Class	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6		
Attendance	99.20%	92.90%	87.60%	92.40%	80.00%	94.60%		
Class	Class 7	Class 8	Class 9	Class 10	Class 11	Class 12	Class 13	Class 14
Attendance	87.50%	95.60%	94.40%	95.80%	90.40%	92.70%	95.80%	89.70%

## Diary Dates

Christmas parties and Film afternoons: all children can wear own clothes

- Monday 15th December Reception Ormskirk Post Office trip 9.30 –10.30am
- Also Year 3 Christmas Film Afternoon
- Tuesday 16th December Breakfast with Santa 8am for Nursery/EYFS Year1 & 2  
(Christmas Jumpers to be worn over uniform)
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December Breakfast with Santa 8am for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6  
(Christmas Jumpers to be worn over uniform)
- Also Year 1 & 2 Christmas Party Afternoon in KS1 Hall
- KS2 Bonkers Bingo Afternoon in KS2 Hall  
(Christmas Jumpers to be worn over uniform)
- Thursday 18th December SEND Coffee Morning 9-10am in KS1 Staffroom
- Also Reception & Yr 6 Buddy Party Afternoon in KS1 Hall
- Yr 4 Film afternoon in class
- Yr 5 Film afternoon in class
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 3.30pm Close for Christmas Holiday
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 New Term begins







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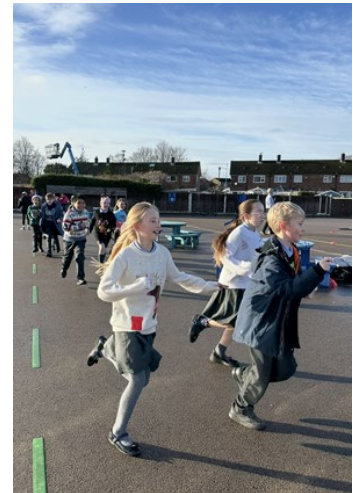
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## The Santa Fun Run

On Wednesday, St Anne's embraced the festive spirit as we completed our Christmas Fun Run! From Nursery to Year 6, everyone arrived wearing a Christmas hat and ready to take on several laps of the school playground.

Our Eco Warriors did a fantastic job—cheering runners on, making sure no corners were cut, and handing out a well-deserved biscuit at the finish line!

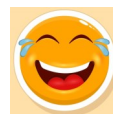
Thank you for supporting this event, which raised £250 for the Eco Warrior Team to use in developing new sustainable growing projects in the new year.



And finally, joke of the week from Charlotte in Year 6...

What hides in a bakery at Christmas?

A Mince Spy!!



Have a great weekend.



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ST ANNES SCHOOL

## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



*Christmas jumpers optional but encouraged!!!*

**BREAKFAST INCLUDES:**

**VARIETY OF FRUIT**

**SUGAR WAFFLES**

**DRINKS**

**BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY:**

**A VISIT AND GIFT FROM SANTA!!!!**

**TICKETS: £3.50 PER CHILD  
PLEASE PAY VIA PTA EVENTS**

**INFANTS: TUESDAY 16TH  
JUNIORS: WEDNESDAY 17TH**

**DROP OFF AT YOUR CHILDS CLASSROOM 7.55AM PROMPT!!**





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**OTC'S CHRISTMAS TENNIS CAMPS ARE BACK!**

**Members £15.00  
Non Members £22.50 per day**

**❄️ WINTER CHILLS ❄️ & 🎾 TENNIS THRILLS! 🎾  
AT OTC'S CHRISTMAS TENNIS CAMPS**

**Head Coach:  
John Chatterley  
07980 941 288  
coach@ormskirktennisclub.co.uk**



**Ormskirk Tennis Club  
County Road  
Ormskirk, L39 3LU  
ormskirktennisclub.co.uk**

**BOOK BY 19/12/25!**

**Monday December 22nd, 1pm-5pm  
Tuesday December 23rd, 1pm-5pm**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM EVERYONE AT**

**ORMSKIRK TENNIS CLUB**





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**JMO**  
Sports Park

# **CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL**

## **HOLIDAY SOCCER SCHOOL**



**Monday & Tuesday  
22nd & 23rd December  
9am-3pm  
£30.00**

**Ages 5-11 year olds  
Boys & girls**

**JMO Sports Park  
Skelmersdale  
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