



13th October 2023

Spotlight on Year 6





The highlight of this week for our Year 6 children was the making of their spring rolls on Wednesday afternoon. From a variety of meat, plenty of vegetables, hot sauce and seaweed the children created some wonderful creations and they seemed to be very popular! Maybe there are some future chefs and entrepreneurs amongst them!





Alongside a creative Wednesday was the continued hard work on Macbeth, learning about French prepositions, the circulatory system in science and netball and athletics in PE. We also celebrated the new Young School Leaders from both classes.

The children have had a wonderful start to life in Year 6 and we're very proud of them!





Message from Headteacher

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

Congratulations to the children who will serve as St Anne's Young School Leaders this year. I am sure that Grace, Theodora, Orlaith, Christopher, Chloe, Shone and Florence will lead with integrity and great skill as they begin their work. Well done to all the children who took part and supported each other.

Many thanks to all the parents and grandparents who attended the Open Afternoon today. Being able to visit school and see your children working with their teachers and class friends is very important. Well done to all the children and teachers for sharing their classrooms and our school with our school community.

Year 6 parents – please see the important additional letter sent to all parents regarding transition to High School. The deadline for applications is the 31st October.

Friday 20th October is an INSET day. This is a training day for all staff and therefore school is closed to all children from Nursery to Year 6. All children return to school after the half-term holidays on Monday 30th October.

Wishing all our families a lovely weekend,

Mr P Bates

Headteacher



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Curriculum News

Nursery We have been reading 'Little Acorns' in Nursery this week and have discovered that acorns grow into big trees! We have been creative making leaf prints and conker rolling in paint to create pictures. The children have been threading leaves and hammering pegs into pumpkins. We have been working very hard in Literacy, lots of rhyming activities I Spy games and exploring sounds instruments can make.

Star of the week: Grace M Mission Statement: Julian W.

Reception What a wonderful week we have had in Reception! In music we went in a sound walk outside and listened carefully to the sounds we could hear. Then we discussed about which sounds were from nature. In maths we have been learning about patterns and creating our own repeating patterns. We have been learning all about Harvest time in RE this week too! The children have worked so hard.

Year 1 This week in Year 1 we started our new English topic on instructions. We have discussed what instructions are and the things that we need when giving instructions like time connectives and bossy verbs. We followed instructions to make jam sandwiches and sequenced this the following day. In Maths we have begun to look at addition using the part- part whole model and we also have been looking at number sentences. We have also begun our RE theme on belonging and have discussed what we all belong to different groups and our school. In design technology we made and ate the fruit kebabs that we had each designed. They were delicious! We will evaluate our finished products next week.

Year 2 This week the children have continued to learn about addition and subtraction. They had a very exciting lesson using the rekenrek to help them make bonds to ten when adding on single digit numbers. In English, the children have completed a wonderful piece of Independent Writing, innovating the story of 'George's Marvellous Medicine'. They worked so hard and with great focus! We were very proud of them! We are now coming to the end of our RE theme of 'Beginnings'. The children have written the most beautiful litanies about the beauty of God's world, and also celebrated their special characteristics that make them children of God. Their RE books are such a celebration of their faith and their hard work.

On Tuesday we joined the nation in celebrating 'Mental Health Day.' After reading the book 'The Colour Monster' the children wrote the most amazing acrostic poems about their feelings. We were blown away by their fantastic ideas.

- **Year 3** In History this week the children have been learning about the changes in the 50s, 60s and 70s through technology, fashion and music styles. During English the children have loved creating alliterations to create descriptions of animals ready to write a class shape poem on snails.
- **Year 4** The children have worked hard this week in Design Technology peeling and chopping their vegetables to make a stew. They worked well with their groups deciding on what they wanted their end product to look like and added their own seasoning. They have tasted their final product and evaluated the taste, texture and appearance. They have also thought about what they might change next time to improve their product.
- **Year 5** We are thick in the middle of learning to write persuasion texts, using such skills as exaggeration, snappy slogans and appealing adjectives. In Maths we have looked at multiples and factors did you know 1 is not a prime number as it only has one factor (itself)? In Geography we have been looking at ordinance survey maps and using 6 figure grid references.

Year 6 See Spotlight





Our Award Winners!

Star of the Week Mission Statement

Lorenzo V Trudi C

Clara L Grace B

Yasmin Mae C Emy G

Sawyer R Lara C

Bella G Poppy O

Scarlett R Harry MR

Oscar W Harry P

Ophelia W Jack B

Jyoti S Elvern N

Frankie H Karter C

Finlay S Bella S

Chloe L Theo R

Harry A Maya W

Connor H Theo M





'Wrap Up' Coat Campaign Thank You

Dear Parents and Carers

The staff of St Anne's would like to thank you for your incredibly kind donations for the Harvest celebration. We were overwhelmed by your generosity. The Ormskirk Foodbank and Hope Liverpool Foodbank were so grateful and wanted to thank you for the help that you have given to so many families.

> ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL **ORMSKIRK** Feeding local people in crisis

Thankyou!

Many thanks for your kind and generous donations of food (the weight being 65.15kg) which contributes to over 140 meals and gives support to people within Ormskirk and the surrounding areas www.ormskirk.foodbank.org.uk

We have also been delighted with the response to the 'Wrap Up West Lancs' project - a project created to keep people warm this winter with donated preloved coats. Mrs Penlington's office was brimming with your incredibly generous donations. A huge thank you to all families! The coats have now been collected from school and will be distributed to families across the West Lancs region.

A heartfelt thanks from all the staff at St Anne's.





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PTA News - 13th October

Christmas Card Project – Orders to be placed by Wednesday 25th October

Thank you for all those who sent in completed designs – they were a joy to look through! For those taking part you will soon be receiving your personalised order forms; please keep a look out in your children's bags. Cards and gifts must be ordered online by Wednesday 25th October

Did you know that as a parent or guardian of a child at St Annes you automatically become a member of the PTA? You do now!

The pre-loved uniform room is OPEN!

The PTA are pleased to announce that our preloved uniform room is now ready! Entrance is via the school office doors of the KS2 building. The room will be open to browse on **Fridays from 3pm**; but if that time doesn't suit you can still order via the dedicated email address stannesuniformspares@gmail.com

We have a variety of items available; jumpers, polos, pinafores and more! Please come along and browse any spares you may need. Suggested donation is £1 per item (or 50p for smaller items like polos). We are operating an honestly box in the room so please bring change with you; however, you can also donate via the usual PTA bank details referencing 'uniform'.

All funds raised go towards supporting our wonderful school!

We very much appreciate the generous uniform donations we have received so far - we are bursting at the seams! However, we are <u>currently not accepting any new donations</u>. We simply don't have the room! We'll let you know when we are open for more.

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Next PTA Meeting - Friday 3rd November 9am, school staff room – as always, ALL WELCOME!

Date for the diaries:

Halloween Disco – **Tuesday 31st October**, in school time – further details to follow soon Christmas gifts chat and wrap – **Friday 1st December** 9:00-11:30am, St Annes Pastoral Centre

Breakfast with Santa - 19th and 20th December -, 07:45-08:45 - further details to follow soon

Thank you for your on-going support

St Anne's PTA Volunteers, Registered charity number 1041684

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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.

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.





