

<u>St. Anne's</u>

Catholic Primary School

<u>Newsletter</u>



<u>13th January 2023</u>

Spotlight on Year 3

Year 3 have started TTRockstars in an effort to prepare ourselves for the Times Tables tests in Year 4. Wow! One boy has already earned 450 000 coins and shot to the top of the school rankings - come on Year 4; can you rise to the challenge and beat him? TTRockstars is easily the best way of learning your tables.

We are also studying Roman history, which is just the best topic ever! This week we have seen where the Romans came from and why the invaded Britain - we were able to see through Julius Caesar's lie - he claimed he wanted to invade Britain (or Britannia as he called it) was because the weather was so good here - with the rain and winds of this week, it is clearly not true, especially when you consider he was writing from the south of France. We deduced that he was lying for a reason and we think it was to hide the fact that he hoped to use the invasion of Britain to become popular enough so he could become emperor. Fascinating stuff eh?

In art we are learning all about mosaics and how craftsmen in Roman times spent months creating the smallest mosaic to lay on rich people's floors. We hope to design our own - we will report back later in the term.

In RE we are studying the church year. Did you know we are in Ordinary Time at the moment when we study the ordinary life of Jesus - as if any of his life was ordinary! Our worship table has been draped in green and we are studying Christ's compassion on the needy. He said, "Come unto me all you who labour and heavy laden and I will give you rest, for my yoke is easy and my burden is light!"

In Science we are learning how to build bridges and make towers. Each week we will be having a different challenge to meet, so that we learn to create designs, make our ideas into models and then evaluate them afterwards.

In PE we are designing our own dances - for us it's not "Walk like an Egyptian!", but "Walk like a Roman!" We are looking at the eruption of Vesuvius and the horror caused by the ash cloud smothering Pompeii, then we will turn that into a sombre dance. We are also learning the different styles of running - our sprint has to be powerful and vigorous, whilst our long distance running has to be relaxed and well-paced. We love learning about what our body can do.

In English we are learning what a non-chronological report is and we have been writing topic sentences, explanatory sentences and sub-headings.

If you want to know more why not ask any Year 3 pupil? They will explain all about our lessons.





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Message from Headteacher

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

The new school entrance is now operational! The benefits for our current and future children, staff and families are clear for all to see. The final ground markings, which will incorporate zebra crossings and disabled parking bays, will be completed during the half-term holidays. Once all the works have been completed, I will organise an 'Open Afternoon' where families will be welcome to visit classrooms and see the wonderful teaching and learning children experience on a daily basis.

Holiday dates for 2023/2024 have now been approved by Governors. We always try to coordinate our holiday pattern with St Bede's to assist families across the two schools. Please click on the website link to access the holiday pattern <u>https://www.st-annesrc.lancs.sch.uk/</u> termdates

Curriculum Knowledge Organisers were published last week. Please click on the following link to access you child's learning. <u>https://www.st-annesrc.lancs.sch.uk/curriculum/whole-school-curriculum.</u>

Please remember that we have a number of children in school who have nut allergies. There can be no nuts brought into school as part of packed lunches. Thank you for your support.

Please continue to inform friends and family that Primary school admissions closes on <u>January</u> <u>15th 2023</u>. Click on the following link to go directly to St Anne's website page that will provide support and guidance. <u>https://www.st-annesrc.lancs.sch.uk/about-us/admissions</u>. I cannot stress enough the importance of completing the 'Supplementary Information Form' for your chosen Primary school. This form must be returned to your chosen school.

Wishing all our families a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates

Headteacher



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Curriculum News

Nursery We have been reading the story '10 little lights' this week in Nursery, the children have talked about the characters and we have been counting to and recognising numbers to 10. within the story. The children have been using their knowledge to complete different challenges revolving around the story: rhyming, solving clues and initial letter sounds.

The children have been working hard with their phase 2 letter recognition and are enjoying different activities involving letters.

Reception This week in Reception we have been continuing to learn about the Arctic. The children wrote about the things they could see. We also learnt about the famous explorer Ernest Shackleton and discussed how transport has changed since then. We also had our first Tennis lesson — the children were fab!

Year 1 This week we have enjoyed carrying on reading the story 'Rumpelstiltskin'. We have acted out the story together and wrote letters asking Rumpelstilskin why he did the things he did. We have started rehearsing for our performance and we can't wait for you all to see! As part of our Art topic, we have been learning all about L.S Lowry. We have painted our own seascape by mixing different colours together.

Year 2 The children have worked incredibly hard again this week. In Maths they have been comparing amounts of money and are now progressing onto giving change. In PE they have been perfecting their jumping and running skills in games. They have had great fun!

During the RE theme of 'Books', the children have been looking at God's special book - the Bible - and have been exploring the stories of the Old and New Testament. They have made some beautiful bookmarks to illustrate these stories.

Year 3 See this weeks Spotlight.

Year 4 This week, Year 4 have located the countries and the seas within the Arctic Circle. They have completed the physical and challenging 'Bleep Test' in the Health and Wellbeing sessions. In Science, the children have researched how Electricity is transferred from the power plant to their homes.

Year 5 have done extremely well over the past two weeks in Maths with long multiplication. They've also been gathering ideas ready to write their own Science Fiction story.

Year 6 have begun work on the Antarctica by researching geographical features as well expeditions that have occurred there. We have also been continuing to look closely at the Wizard of Oz. It has been lovely to see how engaged the children have been with this particular novel!



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Esme C	2	Isla D	
Lucy B	3	Annie T	
Shone	S	Harriet E	
Harry M	R	Harry A	
Joshua	н	Florence Mc	
Heidi F		Annie Mc	
Sadie F	5	Lola O	
Euan A	A.	Cohen Mc	
Mora F	=	William Mc	
Jack S		Sebastian V	
Charlotte	e S	Jessica F and Amelia Mc	
William	L	Alexander S	
Oliver 0	3	Harry B	



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SPRING TERM 2023 COME AND SEE AT HOME

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

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This term we will be studying the three themes of Local Church (Community), Eucharist (Relating) and Lent/Easter (Giving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics.

LOCAL CHURCH - COMMUNITY (3rd - 27th January)

Early Years Year 1	CELEBRATING - People celebrate in Church SPECIAL PEOPLE - People in the parish family
Year 2	BOOKS - The books used in Church
Year 3	JOURNEYS - Christian family's journey with Christ
Year 4	COMMUNITY - Life in the local Christian community and ministries in the parish
Year 5	MISSION - Continuing Jesus' mission in diocese (ecumenism)
Year 6	SOURCES - The Bible, the special book for the Church

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Explore the Diocesan website, looking at the number of churches, and finding out about our bishop. Read Bible stories together or encourage older children to read a child's Bible.

EUCHARIST - RELATING (30th January - 3rd March - inc half term)

Early Years	GATHERING - Parish family gathers to celebrate
	Eucharist
Yearı	MEALS - Mass, Jesus' special meal
Year 2	THANKSGIVING - Mass, a special time to thank God
Year 3	LISTENING & SHARING - Jesus gives himself to us
Year 4	GIVING & RECEIVING - Living in communion
Year 5	MEMORIAL SACRIFICE - Eucharist as the living memorial
	of Christ's sacrifice
Year 6	UNITY - Eucharist enabling people to live in communion

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Look through the family photograph album to help the children remember important events and special people in their lives. Discuss how we come together for special celebrations.

LENT/EASTER - GIVING (6th - 31st March)

Early Year	GROWING - Looking forward to Easter
Year1	CHANGE - Lent: a time for change
Year 2	OPPORTUNITIES - Lent: an opportunity to start anew
Year 3	GIVING ALL - Lent: remembering Jesus' total giving
Year 4	SELF DISCIPLINE - Celebrating growth to new life
Year 5	SACRIFICE - Lent: a time of aligning with the sacrifice made by Jesus
Year 6	DEATH & NEW LIFE - Celebrating Jesus' death and resurrection

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

As a family talk about how you are going to practice self-control and self-giving for the rest of the season of Lent. You may decide to give up biscuits or cakes and donate the money to a charity. If you have an older child provide him/her with an opportunity to take part in The Stations of the Cross. Ask your child/ren how the school is focusing on Lent and self-giving.

IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

1 January

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

6 January Whole School Mass in St Anne's Church at 9.30am

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

8 January

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

2 February

ASH WEDNESDAY

22 February – Services in school Lent Whole School Mass in St Anne's Church on Friday, 3rd March at 9.30am

ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 20 March

> THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD 25 March

YEAR 3 EASTER REFELCTION

In school for Y3 parents on Wednesday, 29th March

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD 2 April

MAUNDY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, EASTER SUNDAY





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St Anne's Church Bulletin

See below

The Parish of St. Anne, Ormskirk

Registered Charity no. 1063237 Parish Priest: Very Rev.Fr. Godric Timney OSB Deacons: Rev.Des Bill & Rev.Peter Mawtus Youth Minister: Mike Price: mpyouthminister8@googlemail.com St. Anne's Priory 23 Prescot Road Ormskirk L39 4TG Tel: 01695 572168 Parish Administrator: Colette Adams-Duff Parish office e-mail: paxorm@btconnect.com Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 9.30am till 12.30pm (Closed each Wednesday) Website: www.stannes-ormskirk.org.uk Parish Pastoral Council email address: ppc@stannes-ormskirk.org.uk Safeguarding Officer: Terry Graham

15 Jan 2023 Second Sunday of Ordinary Time						
	Peace Sunday					
Re	Readings: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 39:2 & 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; 1 Cor 1: 1-3; Jn 1:29-34.					
Sat	14		Memorial of St Kentigern			
		4.00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation from 4pm till 4.45pm			
		5.00pm	Clive Harwood (Vigil Mass)			
Sun	15	10.30am	Gregory Rutherford (streamed)			
		Noon	Baptisms: Ella Grace Bennett & Elizabeth Rose Sammon			
Mon	16	11.30am	Requiem Mass: Eileen Culpin (streamed)			
			UCM in Pastoral Centre at 1pm			
			PPC in Pastoral Centre at 7pm			
Tue	17		Memorial of St Anthony			
		9.15am	Morning Prayer			
		9.30am	Marty & Charlie Cooper			
			Prayer Group in Pastoral Centre at 10.30am			
Wed	18	9.15am	Morning Prayer			
		9.30am	Holy Souls			
Thu	19	11.00am	Holy Hour			
		Noon	Jim Hubbard			
Fri	20	9.15am	Morning Prayer			
		9.30am	Sid Moy			
Sat	21		Memorial of St Agnes			
		4.00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation from 4pm till 4.45pm			
		5.00pm	Richard Humphreys (Vigil Mass)			
Sun	22	10.30am	The Turton Family (streamed)			
		1.00pm	Baptisms: Dylan Pyke & Teddy Anthony Stewart			

COST OF LIVING CRISIS

Cost of Living Crisis: Please find on our website, on the same page as the bulletin, a new section of useful ideas to help us all cope with the cost-of-living crisis.

SHOP AND GIVE

Ormskirk Food Bank donations can be handed in at several shops and other businesses, in addition to their base at New Church House Ormskirk. They list:

Tesco Store, Burscough Bridge (Please note: this is for food bought in this store. Food purchased in other stores must be sealed and clearly labelled as having been purchased elsewhere). Also:

Booths, Ringtail Park, Burscough; Co-op, 52 Wigan Rd, Ormskirk; Co-op, 58 Town Green Ln, Aughton; Morrison's, 2 Park Rd, Ormskirk; Nationwide, Burscough Street, Ormskirk; Halifax, Church Street, Ormskirk; Kicking Donkey Pub, Narrow Moss Lane.

Other supermarkets are making their own contributions to the cost-of-living crisis. For example, Lidl labels items on shelves which can be placed in their collection point at the checkouts. These donations will be used "to help local community groups in need of supplies, including food banks, soup kitchens, community centres and more."

Parishioners wishing to donate food in any of the above ways should perhaps check arrangements first with individual stores.

ORMSKIRK FOODBANK

The foodbank is there for anyone who has problems affording food. If you do not have a referral, you can ring the foodbank phone to get one (and find out how to get one in the future) and then you can pick up bags of food from the foodbank on the following Tuesday or Friday.

Just phone 077-489-51274 at any time or go to the website – ormskirk.foodbank.org.uk – if you want to know more. The foodbank is situated at New Church House just by the Ormskirk parish church. It is there for everyone who needs it.

ORMSKIRK LIBRARY

Libraries are warm and welcome spaces, where you can find: • A warm drink • A space to sit • Free computers and Wi-Fi • Charging points for digital equipment • Events and activities • Staff support to find information

Ormskirk Library opening hours Monday, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday 9-5 Wednesday 9-1 Thursday 1-7

ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL UKRAINE APPEAL

As the ongoing conflict in Ukraine continues to occupy our thoughts and prayers, the Archdiocese response to the Ukraine crisis has set up various forms of support. We will be updating our <u>website</u> and <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Twitter</u> pages with updates.

Details for giving

 via text details below.
By bank transfer to Account name: Archdiocese of Liverpool Sort code: 40-29-12 Account: 01551493 Reference: Help Ukraine
Or by cheque made payable to "Archdiocese of Liverpool" and with "Help Ukraine" written on the reverse, these can be sent to Finance Department: St Margaret Clitherow Centre, Liverpool Archdiocesan Office, Croxteth Drive, Liverpool, L17 1AA

Donate to Ukraine

Text HELPUKRAINE to 70085 to donate £2 Text HELPUKRAINE to 70450 to donate £3 Text HELPUKRAINE to 70460 to donate £5 Text HELPUKRAINE to 70470 to donate £10