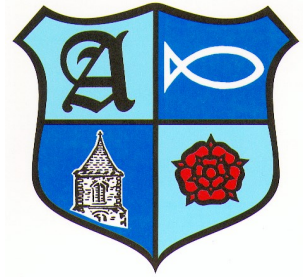




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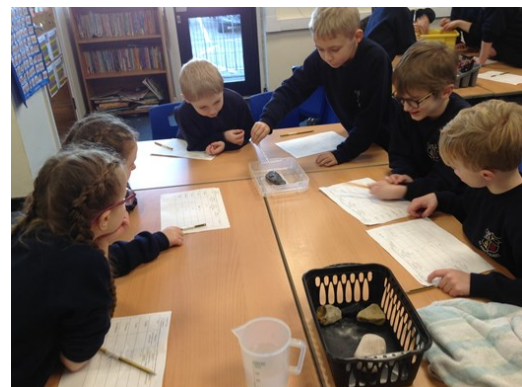
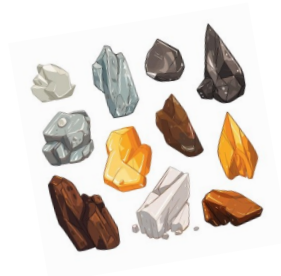
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Spotlight on Year 3

This week Year 3 went to their first ever swimming lesson with school. The children were so excited and once in the swimming pool they swam wonderfully, really impressing their teachers.



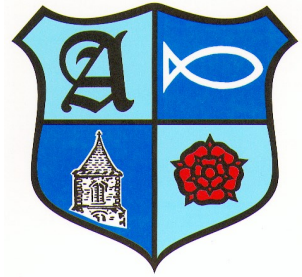
We have been investigating different types of rocks to identify their properties, testing their permeability, density and durability. The children are also showing a great interest in rocks, with some of the children even bringing in rocks to share.



The children are also really enjoying learning about the Romans in History and links to also Design and Technology and RE.



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**Message from Headteacher**

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

It has been another busy but exciting week in school and I have really enjoyed getting to know our staff team and wonderful children a little more. It is evident how special St Anne's is and the caring Catholic ethos that permeates our school is paramount to all that we do.

I am working my way round each of the classes to get to know all of the children on a more personal level through Circle Time. Our children really do live out our Mission Statement and this is something that is vitally important as a school community and allows us to stand out from the crowd. I will continue to be on the playground in a morning, with Mrs Cleary - please do come and say hello.

Wishing all of our families a lovely weekend.

Miss D Dewhurst

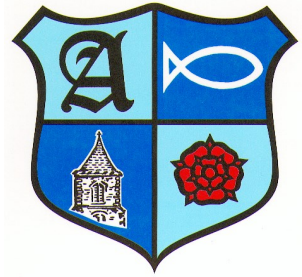
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**St Anne's Church Bulletin**

The Bulletin is available on the Church website: [stannes-ormskirk.org.uk](http://stannes-ormskirk.org.uk)  
A link is available at the bottom of every page on our school website also.



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**Curriculum News**

**Nursery** We have been reading the story 'Ten little lights', the children have expressed their ideas and thoughts about how the characters were feeling in the story and why. The children have worked together to build the house from the story and have re enacted the story with the characters. We have also been exploring different directions that we can move when travelling, the children have been very busy problem solving with the bee - bots making them move along the road without falling off!

**Star of the Week:** Evan A

**Mission Statement:** Archie H

**Reception** In Reception this week we have been learning about animals who live in the Arctic. Children have written superb facts about these animals. In Expressive Art and Design, we have been leaning about Kal Barteski and her artwork about polar bears. We have used her work to inspire us to create line drawings of polar bears.

**Year 1** This week, we have been writing non-fiction booklets on the Great Fire of London. We also started exploring LS Lowry and his unique painting style. Additionally, everyone enjoyed using their computer skills to create lists.

**Year 2** In Year 2 this week the children have continued reading George's Marvellous Medicine, collecting exciting new vocabulary to write and describe their own marvellous medicine. The children have also been learning about the amazing Florence Nightingale, sequencing and discussing the significance events of her life. In Maths the children have finished their unit on Money after learning to make variations of the same amount and calculating change. They have been absolute superstars!

**Year 3** **See Spotlight**



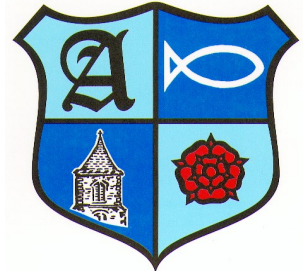
**Year 4** Year 4 have acted in a very mature manner this week as we have discussed the Slave Trade and the way people were treated as slaves. We have used atlases and globes to locate the countries involved in the trading of slaves. In PE we have continued to learn the rules of Quidditch, developing our skills as we go. In art we have enjoyed learning about the meanings behind the colours and patterns used in African Tribal art.

**Year 5** Space, space, nothing but space... That is what we wish school was all about! Space is amazing - we have found out all about the Red Planet (Mars) and the rovers that have explored it. Did you know that it is red, because of the dusty surface, which is made out of iron oxide - this means it is literally a ball of rusty iron (like Mr Batchelor's car). In Maths we have been learning the bus stop method of division - we are great at it!

**Year 6** Year 6 have continued their work on silhouette art this week by looking at examples and choosing what makes them stand out. We've continued to focus on The Wizard of Oz focusing on comparing and contrasting the book and film versions. There have been some interesting interpretations of the Scarecrow character!



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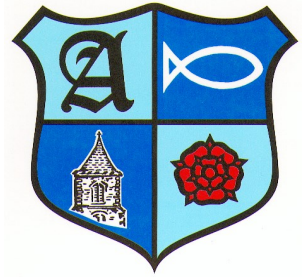
# Our Award Winners!

<u>Star of the Week</u>	<u>Mission Statement</u>
James McN	Grace S
Alex T	Seb J
Meila C	Florence M
Matthew TR	Josie H
Albie L	Harriet T
Lucia B	Maisie D
Penny B	Karter C
Arabella L	Kelly G
Orson O	Jack C
Dylan P	Tess F
Sophie M	Theo R
Molly W	Sawyer R
Eden Mc	George O'B
Derry F	Sophie F

Attendance for Week Ending 11/01/2025					
	Class	No Pupils	% Attendance	Sessions Missed	Rank
<b>Class 3 are the winners of the Attendance Award for this week in Key Stage 1</b>	Class 1	29	92.40%	22	3
	Class 2	29	87.20%	37	6
	Class 3	23	98.70%	3	1
	Class 4	24	91.20%	21	4
	Class 5	27	94.40%	15	2
	Class 6	26	89.50%	27	5
<b>Class 9 are the winners of the Attendance Award for this week in Key Stage 2</b>	Class 7	27	95.50%	12	2
	Class 8	25	89.60%	26	7
	Class 9	23	96.10%	9	1
	Class 10	24	92.10%	19	6
	Class 11	32	94.10%	19	4
	Class 12	32	92.50%	24	5
	Class 13	25	95.20%	12	3
	Class 14	25	89.60%	26	7



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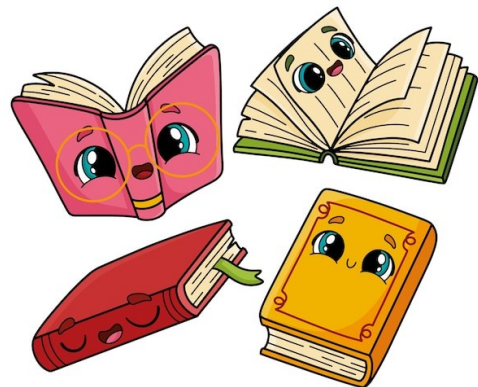
**EYFS/KS1 - Reading Support**

We are excited to help you support your little ones in their reading adventures. Please check our website for tips and guidance tailored for EYFS and KS1. Together, we can make reading at home a fun and engaging experience for everyone!

<https://www.st-annesrc.lancs.sch.uk/curriculum/english>

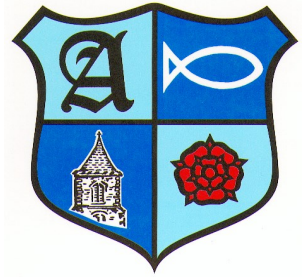
Phonics Support - Phonics Workshop

Miss Rutter  
(Early Reading/ Phonics Lead)





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PTA News

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**PTA**  
*Meeting*



**Friday 24th January 9am**

Staff Room - near KS1 entrance

Come and join us after drop-off, for a hot drink and a biscuit, to discuss any upcoming events/ideas!

The more the merrier!