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Friday 19th September 2025

Headteacher's Message

This week has certainly brought a change in the weather – the autumn rain has made its presence known, and I think most of us have been caught in a shower or two at some point! Even with the rain, it has been wonderful to see the children looking out for one another and showing such kindness around school—one of the Gospel values we reflected on during Monday's Prayer and Liturgy, and a beautiful example of how we live out our Catholic Mission.

Our after-school clubs and enrichment activities are now underway, offering some great opportunities for the children. As the year progresses, we will continue to introduce more, catering to a wide range of interests. These activities are a fantastic way of providing the children with plenty of new experiences and encourage them to enjoy and learn together.

Well done to all our incredible children this week! A special mention goes to our fantastic Year One pupils, who have made the big transition from Reception and have settled in wonderfully.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Danielle Dewhurst Headteacher



Mission Statement

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The Gospel according to Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said, "The one who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great: the one who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own? No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect, and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money."

Dear Lord Jesus,

Help us use our gifts well - to be your **trustworthy** sons and daughters who always put you first in our lives. Amen

St Anne's Church Bulletin

The Bulletin is available on the Church website: stannes-ormskirk. org.uk









Democracy

Learning how to vote helps young people see their views matter. When we respect their voices and give them the chance to take part, we help build a fairer future together.

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Follow in the footsteps of St Anne

"Follow the saints because those who follow will become saints"





Pope Clement 1

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In school this week.....

Nursery

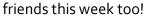
We have been very busy in Nursery, we have been exploring different emotions and how and what might make us feel this way and how would could help each other in Nursery so that everyone is always happy. This is produced some lovely conversations and the children have shared personal experiences that might have made them feel a certain way. In literacy we have been exploring environmental sounds further, we went on a windy walk and used drum sticks to make different sounds outdoors. During Mathematics we have been exploring patterns, what does repeat mean and how we can make patterns

using lines.



Reception

This week in Reception we have started learning sounds in phonics- we have learned s,a,t,p,i. In maths we have been learning how to match and sort items. On Thursday we collected natural items from outdoors and found different ways to sort them. We have been learning about families, how families are all different, but love makes them all the same. We have been really enjoying getting to know new





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Year 1

This week, the children were introduced to the author Oliver Jeffers. We began reading the story 'Lost and Found', focusing on understanding the characters and exploring how they might be feeling in the story. In maths, we have been working with numbers up to 10. The children have been practising how to identify one more and one less than a given number. As part of our RE learning, we went on an awe walk around the school grounds to observe and reflect on the world around us. The children were encouraged to think about all the wonderful things that God has made.



Year 2

This week in Year 2, we began our grammar lessons by exploring adjectives and how they help us describe nouns in more detail. We then continued this focus in English through *George's Marvellous Medicine*, looking at what George was thinking, feeling, and saying, and exploring Roald Dahl's imaginative language when adding ingredients. In Maths, we worked on estimating numbers to 100 and using number lines to understand tens and ones. In RE, we learned about the covenant God made with Noah and the rainbow as a symbol of promise. In Science, we explored the Eatwell Plate and the importance of a healthy, balanced diet. In Music, we created soundscapes using dynamics, and in Art, we sketched

wooden mannequins to prepare for our final Keith Haring-inspired pieces.





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Year 3

In Year 3 this week as a class the children have written a detailed biography on Joe Wick's as they build up to planning and writing their own on Queen Elizabeth II next week. In Maths the children have come to the end of their unit on Place Value of numbers up to 1,000! In R.E the children have all written pledges to ensure they are wonderful stewards for God's planet. In Design Technology the children have designed three possible rainbow salads that they are going to make...delicious!





Year 4

We've been very busy in Year 4, working hard to follow our new routines and pace of work. This week we enjoyed developing our ball skills in tennis and we had our first swimming lesson. It was great to see how many children had been swimming during the summer holidays to maintain their stamina and skills. In Science, we completed an experiment to look for plaque on our teeth- it was lots of fun and very interesting. We are also enjoying developing our own quizzes in our Jam Coding sessions.



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Year 5

Year 5 have made rapid progress this week in their learning, especially in Science, where we have looked at how children turn into adults and then into elderly people - they were to be commended for their respectful way they dealt with this subject. They have also learnt about rounding large numbers (up to 1 000 000) to 10 000 - they found that hard! In tennis we learnt to hit winners from our ground strokes and in Geography we have loved using the atlases to find out (using grid references) the locations of cities, rivers and mountains in the UK.



Learning tennis skills in PE



Year 6

Rain didn't stop play with Year 6 this week where we enjoyed our weekly tennis session in school. The children have been working hard to research their chosen Paralympians and plan their hybrid texts, we know they're going to be very informative! In Maths we concluded our Place Value topic, looked at the inside of our hearts in Science and discussed how unconditional love is shown though the parable of The Prodigal Son.' The children also found out who would be the house and vice house captains for the year ahead, voted for by their peers - well done to all children who put themselves forward.





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OUR AWARD WINNERS



Year Group	Star of the Week	Mission		
		Statement		
Nursery	Lawson C	Louis S		
Class 1	Felix B	Reggie R		
Class 2	Aidhen C	Thomas D		
Class 3	Harry S	Florence M		
Class 4	Ethan B	Iris S		
Class 5	Theo R	Oliver J		
Class 6	Francis H	Evelyn S		
Class 7	Kenny M	Ophelia W		
Class 8	Jacob D	AlexT		
Class 9	Pearl B	James F		
Class 10	Jack R	Seren L		
Class 11	Oliver J	Emy G		
Class 12	Millie Mc	Alex D		
Class 13	Lilian C	Scarlett H		
Class 14	Sophie A	Shane Mc		











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Attendance for Week Ending 12/09/2025										
Class	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6				
Attendance	99.60%	97.50%	98.60%	94.50%	99.20%	98.30%				
Class	Class 7	Class 8	Class 9	Class 10	Class 11	Class 12	Class 13	Class 14		
Attendance	100.00%	98.80%	94.20%	99.20%	94.00%	98.30%	90.00%	93.90%		

Diary Dates

- Year 3 trip to Ormskirk Wednesday 24th September
- Welcome Meetings: Tuesday 23rd September (Year Group Classes) 3.45pm and 4.30pm
- Reception Macmillan Coffee Morning Tuesday 30th September 9.10am -9.40am (more information to follow).
- Harvest Mass Y1—Y6 in church Monday 6th October 9.30am
- Friday 10th October- World Mental Health Day- Wearing an item of yellow (more details to follow)









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{JAM|CODING

We are very proud and excited to tell you that St Anne's now works with an educational computing company: Jam-Coding. Jam-Coding deliver high quality computing lessons for children across school from Y1 to Y6. We now follow a bespoke curriculum, tailored to our children's needs and knowledge. Whilst teaching above and beyond the National Curriculum expectations, children will make meaningful progress, making computing rewarding.

"Coding and Computing skills are life skills. The young people in classrooms today will need to be digitally literate to survive and thrive in the modern world. At Jam-Coding, we're on a mission to make that happen." Roger Grogan, CEO and Founder.

You will be aware, also, of the after school clubs that Jam-Coding run. These have a different focus each half term and are always loved by the children who attend. For further information, please do get in touch with your child's class teacher.

Meet the teacher sessions

In order to give parents more information about the curriculum, expectations and routines for each class, class teachers will be available for you with 2 drop in sessions in class on Tuesday 23rd September, one at at 3.45pm and the second at 4.30pm.

Secondary School Admissions

The closing date for submission of secondary school application forms is Friday 31st October 2025. Applications should be made online at https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-secondary-school/. If you are applying for a place at St Bede's, it is very important that you also complete and return the supplementary faith form which can be found at: https://www.sbchs.co.uk/admission-agreements/.



And finally, joke of the week from Jude C in Year 5...

Why was the mushroom invited to the party?

Because he was a Fungi!!

Have a great weekend.



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- Monday 15th Sept Christmas card template letters coming home.
- Friday 19th Sept 9am PTA Meeting for all, details to follow.
- Friday 3rd October Christmas Card designs to be returned to school.
- Monday 20th October Halloween Disco.

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A monthly drop in where families

can access support on:

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Finance

Emotional Health and Wellbeing

Access to service for:

Employment advice Relationship advice Home safety

Find out about:

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Thursday of
the month,
9am 'til
12 noon



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