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Friday 5th December 2025

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers

What an exciting and enjoyable week it has been in school as we enter the season of Advent. Our celebrations have been filled with music, reflection, and togetherness, and it has been wonderful to involve the whole school community. Our Year 5 children visited Brookside to sing for the residents there who were genuinely delighted by their performance. We marked the start of Advent together as a whole school earlier in the week and then gathered again, in church, at the end of the week with our parish community.

We are also grateful to all our families who came to support our Stay and Pray sessions and our wonderful singers and guitar players. It is always a privilege to witness the talents of our pupils. They showed such teamwork, respect and encouragement for each other. Performing is not easy, yet their confidence in sharing their gifts really was commendable to see.

The Christmas season is now in full swing, and the message of "hope" brought by the first week of Advent has certainly permeated our school community. Thank you for being part of such a special start to the festive season.

The next two weeks are even more action packed so please be sure to check the newsletter and Instagram for upcoming events and dates.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Miss D. Dewhurst



Mission Statement

"Loving God in all we do"



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The Gospel according to Matthew 3: 1-12

In due course, John the Baptist appeared; he preached in the wilderness of Judea and this was his message: "Repent, change your ways; for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand." This was the man the prophet Isaiah spoke of when he said, 'A voice cries in the wilderness; prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight'. This man, John, made a garment made of camel-hair with a leather belt round his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole Jordan district made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan, they confessed their sins. John said to the people, "I baptise you in water for repentance, but the one who follows me is more powerful than I am, I am not fit to carry his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and Fire."

Dear Lord Jesus,

Please help us to **prepare** well for Christmas, putting you at the centre, and show us how we can help others to do the same.

Amen

St Anne's Church Bulletin

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



Mutual Respect and Tolerance

The Princess of Wales' carol service brings people together to share kindness and joy. When we show care, we help create togetherness. Respecting people of all ages, backgrounds, and beliefs helps our communities feel welcoming and connected.

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Follow in the footsteps of St Anne

"Advent increases our hope, a hope which does not disappoint. The Lord never lets us down."

Pope Francis





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In school this week.....

Nursery

The children have been learning about Advent this week and what it means. All the children have been very busy making their own candles to decorate the tree with, making their own patterns. We have enjoyed playing with purple play dough to represent advent and have busy making some Christmas surprises.



Reception

This week in Reception we have been busy rehearsing our Nativity play- we can't wait to perform it next week to our loved ones. In English we have been using our phonic skills to write letters to Father Christmas and in Maths we have been learning about rectangles and squares. In RE we have been learning about when the shepherds were visited by an angel and told of Jesus's birth. In PE we have been learning to catch- using our hands like a book!



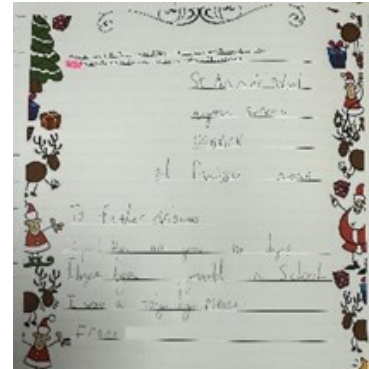


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Year 1

This week, Year 1 have been busy and enthusiastic learners! In English, the children loved writing their letters to Father Christmas. They learnt how to set out a letter correctly, explored the key features it should include, and even thought of some wonderful questions to ask him. In Maths, the children were introduced to place value to 20. They have been practising how to recognise the number of tens and ones in different numbers. In R.E., we have learnt about the angels bringing the message of Jesus' birth to the shepherds, exploring this special part of the Nativity story. Year 1 also continue to enjoy their weekly Jam Coding sessions. This week, they worked on debugging their algorithms—showing brilliant problem-solving skills!



Year 2

Year 2 have had a very busy start to Advent! In English, we have been planning, writing and editing our own versions of The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig. In Maths, we've been looking at 2d shapes, understand symmetry and how to draw our own 2d shapes accurately. In Jam Coding, we've chosen sprites and backgrounds and created our own animations.

In Geography, we've been learning more about the features around us and how to use compass directions. In Music, we have planned our own musical stories. In RE, we welcome parents to join us for our prayer and liturgy session. We also created Advent art work to take to church, to show everyone we know all about the Advent wreath. During PE, we worked on tennis skills - particularly throwing and catching.





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Year 3

This week in Year 3 we have been describing a setting for a comic and generating some creative super hero names and abilities. In Science the children created a wonderful experiment to determine the effect a light source has on an object when the light source moves and how it effects the shadow. In R.E we have begun Advent and the children created a heartfelt Advent calendar with promises they will fulfil each day to live out our Catholic mission of 'Loving God in All We Do'. In Art we have begun our exciting Art and Design unit of Angels. The children have been exploring different angel sculptures from around the world and identifying their materials and what they like and dislike about them. The children also enjoyed playing traditional French playground games.



Year 4

Year 4 have had another incredibly busy week. We are continuing to write our own versions of our class text 'Journey to Jo'burg' in English and focusing on multiplication and division in maths. In PE, we have used our knowledge of different exercises to put together a fitness routine in groups, which we will then ask our class mates to join in with next week. In art we have been looking at African patterns and their meanings. We are now starting to design and create our own patterns using string so that we can print our patterns on to material.





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Year 5

As part of their rehearsals for the Christmas Carol Service, Year 5 performed brilliantly to Brookside Old People's Home. They sang like angels and cheered us all up. In between those rehearsals and performances, we have been learning about which metal is the best electrical conductor and which solids are soluble/insoluble. We have also been learning about the fall of Baghdad to a Mongol Army led by Hulagu - they threw a million books in the River Tigris and the ink turned it black!



Year 6

Year 6 finished their Macbeth topic in English this week, culminating in two brilliant pieces of writing, a diary and a news report. In RE, we began the Advent topic of 'Expectations' joining together to create a class wreath, highlighting the expectations we have of ourselves. The children have also been studying physical and human features of Indonesia which will lead them to learn about tsunamis, both what causes them and the effects they have. The children have also been looking after the school grounds by litter picking and have enjoyed a lunchtime chess club!

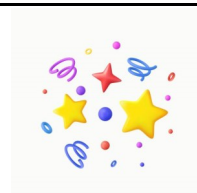
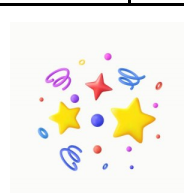




OUR AWARD WINNERS



Year Group	Star of the Week	Mission Statement
Nursery	George F-D	Isabella H
Class 1	Nola R	Aoife P
Class 2	Hallie E	Archie H
Class 3	Connie B	Thea M
Class 4	Zach Mc	Jarrick J
Class 5	Oliver J	Rebecca L
Class 6	Arthur F	Harper H
Class 7	William Mc	Clara P
Class 8	Noah W	Jaden L
Class 9	Orson O	Summer M/Katie B
Class 10	Ethan C	Andrew S
Class 11	Oliver O'H	William C
Class 12	Ted C	Emelia A
Class 13	Charlie C	Ella D
Class 14	Annie T	Nancy R





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Attendance for Week Ending 28/11/2025

Class	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6		
Attendance	95.20%	96.30%	87.90%	87.20%	93.30%	93.80%		
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Diary Dates

- Monday 1st December – Friday 12th December Nugent Care Christmas Pantry Donation of non-perishable food Appeal.
- Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th December Year 1 NHS Hearing Screening.
- Tuesday 9th December am Flu Immunisation Catch up.
- Tuesday 9th December 9.30am & Thursday 11th December 2pm Reception Nativity Play in the Infant Hall.
- Tuesday 9th December Christmas School Lunch Nursery/EYFS & KS1.
- Wednesday 10th December Christmas School Lunch KS2.
- Wednesday 10th December Santa Fun Run pm in year groups —bring Santa or Christmas hat!
- Wednesday 10th December 6pm Yr 5 Carol Service in St Anne's Church.
- Friday 12th December KS2 Own Clothes Day for chocolate donation (for bingo following week).
- Monday 15th December Reception Ormskirk Post Office trip 9.30 –10.30am.
- Thursday 18th December SEND Coffee Morning 9-10am in KS1 Staffroom.
- Friday 19th December 3.30pm Close for Christmas Holiday.
- Monday 5th January New Term begins.





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Year Group Parties/Film Afternoons



Own Clothes for your Party/Film Days

Monday 15th December

Year 3 Christmas Party KS2 Hall

Tuesday 16th December

8am Breakfast with Santa Nursery/EYFS & KS1.
(Christmas Jumpers to be worn over uniform)

Wednesday 17th December

8am Breakfast with Santa KS2.
(Christmas Jumpers to be worn over uniform)

Year 1 & 2 Christmas Party in KS1 Hall

KS2 Bonkers Bingo in KS2 Hall

Thursday 18th December

Reception & Yr 6 Buddy Party in KS1 Hall

Yr 4 Film afternoon in class

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Finally, joke of the week from Daisy B-G in Year 5 ...

Advent is patience. It's how God
has made us a people of
promise, in a world of impatience.

Stanley Hauerwas

What's Santa's favourite singer?

Beon sleigh!!

Have a great weekend.



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PTA Event

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
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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
WN8 8BX**

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