

# <u>St. Anne's</u> <u>Catholic Primary School</u> <u>Newsletter</u>



#### 6th December 2024

#### **Spotlight on Year 6**

What a fun week in Year 6! After many lessons of planning, designing and preparing for their spring rolls - this week the children finally got to create them! There were traditional designs with vegetables and duck but also pizza and breakfast inspired creations. That' right, sausage, bacon and baked beans in a spring roll! Apparently it was delicious!











In English the children have been writing excellent explanation texts based on inventions such as the 'Snoozatron' and 'Teacher Pleaser.' It's now up to them to think of a new invention!

The children have also had a wonderful training opportunity in their roles as play leaders for KS1. Our West Lancs Sports Partnership coach came in to guide the children and they then were able to trial them with Year 2.

We're so looking forward to sharing the Christmas excitement with the children over the next few weeks!





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#### **Message from Acting Headteacher**

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who celebrated Mass with all our children and teachers this week. It was the first time this academic year that the whole school came together, the behaviour of the children was exemplary. Thanks go to Miss Whiteside for organising everything and to Father Joseph for leading our school community in our Advent celebration. Mr Knowles leads a weekly hymn practice and it was lovely to hear the children singing so beautifully in church today. We believe our children should practice singing hymns and be proud to sing when celebrating Mass.

This is always a busy time in school and I want to express my thanks to all the parents/grandparents who will be helping celebrate Christmas at St Anne's over the next two weeks. We have a huge number of events that can only go ahead because of the excellent working relationships between home, school and our parish.

Year 5 have visited Brookside this week to sing Christmas Carols for the residents. The children were absolutely delighted to have such an engaging and appreciative audience to sing for and were treated really well by everyone involved. We love being part of the local community.

We would love to thank one of our families who has kindly provided a football kit for St. Anne's. The family have a long-standing relationship with our school and really appreciate the opportunities that were given to their daughter whilst she was a pupil here. She played football for West Lancs whilst at St. Anne's and has now been selected to represent Lancashire. Our girls' team would have proudly worn the new kit for the first time yesterday only rain stopped play! Fortunately they will have the opportunity to debut the kit this Tuesday instead as their football tournament has been re-arranged.

#### Polite Reminders

The school car park is only accessible after 5pm at night. At this time of year when it goes dark earlier it can be quite dangerous so please drive carefully on school grounds.

The school day for the children entering the classroom is between 8.45am and 8.55am. Children will then need to be taken to the school office, until 9.15am the register is still open but a late mark will be given. The register closes at 9.15am.

#### **Primary School Admissions**

You may know a family friend whose child is due to start school in September 2024. We need your help to remind them the application window for primary school admissions is open. The following link will take your family and friends to the 'Admission Page' on our school website <a href="https://www.st-">https://www.st-</a>

annesrc.lancs.sch.uk/about-us/admissions

Have a lovely weekend, Ms G Cleary Acting Headteacher



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#### **Curriculum News**

**Nursery** The children have a very busy week preparing for Christmas, they have been excited to see what the elves have been up to each night in Nursery and have been sharing their stories about what has been happening in their homes! We have been making baubles for our Christmas tree, paper chains, Christmas cards, Christmas repeating patterns and have been building our own Christmas trees and sleighs out of boxes of different sizes. We have been reading the story 'Christmas Collar' and the magic reindeers. We have been doing lots of Rhyming this week!

**Star of the week:** Leo F **Mission Statement:** Fiadh W

**Reception** This week in Reception we have been performing our nativity play, we enjoyed sharing this with the whole school and our loved ones. We have been writing our Christmas lists ready to post them to Father Christmas next week. We have also been learning about 4 sided shapes in maths.

**Year 1** This week, we have been introduced to our new genre recounts, and we have had fun exploring features. We have been developing our digital literacy skills by using our mouse to click and drag. We have also enjoyed learning about Individual Liberty, linking to British Values.

**Year 2** This week in English, we have finished writing our own twisted tale based on 'The Three Little Wolves and The Big Bad Pig.' In Maths, we have continued looking at 2-D and 3-D shape properties. In our DT unit we have been looking at making a strong, stable structure, what better way to do this by making our own 'stables'.

**Year 3** The Year 3 children have been experimenting with different materials to see which would be the best to make curtains out of so that the sun stays out. In RE the children have placed a modern twist on 'The Annunciation to Joseph' (Matthew 1:18-24) by sending the message to Joseph through an email.

**Year 4** This week, Year 4 have been working hard on creating their designs of Hogwarts Castle which is part of our Design Technology topic. The children have learnt to use craft knives to cut battlements and windows and understood the importance of evaluating and making changes to their design in order to strengthen it.

**Year 5** Year 5 would like to invite you all to our Carol Service next Wednesday at 6pm (St Anne's Church) - we would love to share some fabulous songs and especially tell you the wonder of Jesus Christ, the Pearl Of Greatest Price. In lieu of that, we have practising hard learning such favourites as Away In A Manger and Silent Night.

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### **Our Award Winners!**

#### Star of the Week Mission Statement

Xaia H Ryan S

River S Matthews J

Andrew S Luca P

Sophie L Miguelle B

Theo B Jake C

Fletcher A Zach MR

Francis C Ivy-Rose S

Evelyn S Matthew W

Alex S Mason M

Iris S Heidi F

Mark T Arthur C

George O'B Freya W

Theo M Ivy Q

Ella L Nathaniel McC

Attendance for Week Ending 29/11/2024					
Class 1 are the winners of the Attendance Award for this week in Key Stage 1	Class	No Pupils	% Attend- ance	Sessions Missed	Rank
	Class 1	28	99.30%	2	1
	Class 2	29	93.40%	19	4
	Class 3	23	95.70%	10	2
	Class 4	23	93.00%	16	5
	Class 5	26	94.20%	15	3
	Class 6	25	89.60%	26	6
Class 7 are the winners of the Attendance Award for this week in Key Stage 2	Class 7	26	97.70%	6	1
	Class 8	26	94.40%	14	7
	Class 9	23	97.00%	7	3
	Class 10	24	96.70%	8	5
	Class 11	32	97.50%	8	2
	Class 12	32	96.30%	12	6
	Class 13	25	96.80%	8	4
	Class 14	25	90.80%	23	8



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#### **School Message**

A big <u>thank you</u> to our generous families who supported the annual Poppy Appeal through our school. This week we found out we raised a total of £155.64. The poppies were only on sale for a few days so to raise that much is incredible!



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#### St Anne's Church Bulletin

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





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#### **PTA News**

Dear all,

It is that wonderful time of year again where we are able to host a magical breakfast with Santa for our fantastic children.

Please see the below poster for information, and pay for your tickets using this link:

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stannesormskirk

\*\*If your child has any allergies please provide them with a suitable alternative and contact the PTA for a discounted ticket\*\*

ON THE DAY: Infants: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec and Juniors: Weds 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. Children to be dropped at their classroom doors at 07:55 prompt, including those who usually attend breakfast club. Teachers will then take them over to the junior hall for the festivities. It is essential that they arrive on time so they can be registered to ensure safeguarding.



Many thanks as always for the support of our school community St Annes PTA



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