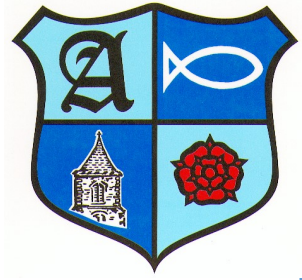




# St. Anne's Catholic Primary School Newsletter



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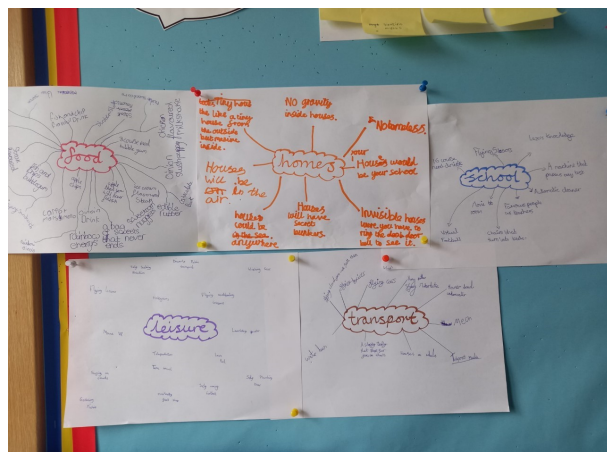
## Spotlight on

This week we have begun our turn at going swimming and already have demonstrated that we are a 'school of fish'.

The children were so excited about going and loved the experience.

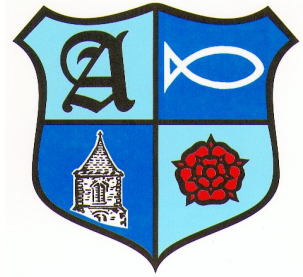


We've also started the topic of 'Space and Our Solar System'. We're beginning to think about what Science Fiction is and exploring what our lives might be like in the future. We're learning about our Solar System and will be using their computer skills, plus creative ideas to support our learning.





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**Message from Headteacher**

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

School life continues to thrive with all our children and staff returning to school this week. We have maintained the sensible measures that were in place prior to Christmas when managing Covid and feel strongly that school life must continue in as positive and productive manner as possible. The spring term is always an exciting term and this term will be no different. Please visit our curriculum pages to view your child's Knowledge Organiser and discuss with your child all the exciting learning that will be taking place prior to February half-term.

The following link will take you to the correct page –

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

-click on the Spring 1 tab to locate the Knowledge Organisers.

**Holiday Pattern 2022-2023**

The holiday pattern for 2022-2023 has been set and is available by clicking on this link

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

Wishing all our families a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates

Headteacher



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## Curriculum News

**Nursery** It has been lovely seeing all the children after the Christmas break and welcoming some new children to our Nursery it has been lovely getting to know them. This week the children have been recalling their Family Christmas experiences. We have begun our topic on Winter! The children have been talking about 'What is Winter?' sharing their individual knowledge and learning new vocabulary. The children have been exploring ice that we found outside and are waiting for it to snow! Stars of the week: Mason M, Chantelle P, Sienna M

**Reception** This week in Reception we were introduced to our new class member Brunel Bear. We had just met Brunel when suddenly on Thursday morning he disappeared!! We immediately set to work making missing posters, which the other year group teachers kindly put up in their classrooms. Thankfully, Brunel contacted us on Friday and let us know he was safe and at the airport but he had forgotten his passport and so we had to create a passport for him sent first class delivery! We hope we see Brunel soon!

**Year 1** We have had a fantastic first week back in Year 1. We had a wonderful morning with Mrs Monk from Heritage Learning Lancashire as our 'Wow' introduction to our new English theme about the Great Fire of London. The children were engrossed in the activities, artefacts and acting out the different parts. This week in Maths the children are working super hard to find the value of numbers to 50 using tens and ones. What a busy week we have had, remember to check our Twitter pages to see our pictures!

**Year 2** Welcome back to the new school term! The Year 2 children have worked so hard in their first week back! This week we have launched our new curriculum theme 'We are Explorers' by finding out what an explorer is, what equipment they need and where they go. We have also started reading our new 'explorer' class reader - 'The Pirate Cruncher' by Jonny Duddle - by asking questions, making predictions and collecting pirate words. Listen out for them me hearties!!!

**Year 3** A brilliant first week back in Year 3! The children have embraced all of the new topics like non chronological reports, the Romans and online safety. We're sure this is going to be a great term together!

**Year 4** What a great start to the New Year! We started our 'We are Explorers' topic by using an atlas and globe to find the Arctic. We found the countries that have land in the Arctic Circle and discussed the climate.

**Year 5** Please see this week's spotlight.

**Year 6** In Year 6 we have begun our class novel 'The wizard of Oz' which we hope is going to enthuse the children to write creatively. In Music the children have begun to learn the song which will be sung at the Philharmonic as a massed choir with the accompanying sign language.



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# Our Award Winners!

## Star of the Week   Mission Statement

Isabelle M	Charlotte O
Lyla U	Olivia H
Mason A	Seb R
Bethany B	Arabella L
Jacob C	Pearl B
Sawyer R	Isis GP
Finlay B	Jessica B
Isabelle D	Dillon f
Daniel B	Freddie D
Eve D	Jacob H
Thomas L	Ted K
Harry P	Theia D
Yasmin Mae C	Daniel F
Jack C	Genevieve L



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Dear Parents/Carers

Just to let you know our school is still supporting Ormskirk foodbank which we are happy to do as helps the needy in our local community. A box is kept in the Office Reception area where **non-perishable** goods can be placed, these will be collected at regular intervals and taken to the foodbank to be distributed. A list of foods most needed are given on the attachment please note that toiletries and sanitary goods are also taken. Thank you for your support.

**Key Messages**

**Covid19**

Dr Karunanithi, who is Lancashire's Director of Public Health, has issued guidance for schools when managing Covid. Control measures that schools are to continue which are:

Good hygiene for everyone

Maintaining appropriate cleaning regimes

Keep occupied spaces well ventilated

Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing positive cases

**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.