



8th September 2023

Spotlight on Year 2

A huge welcome to Year 2 to all the children and their families! We have had a wonderful first week, and the children have settled brilliantly into their new classes. They have worked so hard on their new Year 2 challenges in Maths, English, Science, RE, PE, Computing and Music.

This week the children have been little detectives, working out who their mystery author is, based on clues about their life. They are now little Roald Dahl experts!! They know all about his life, his writing hut, and even the order that he wrote his books! We can't wait to celebrate his birthday next Friday with our Roald Dahl themed day.

We also launched our Autumn curriculum theme of 'Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds'. The children had so much prior knowledge, knowing many factors that will help them feel healthy and happy.







Message from HeadTeacher

Dear parents, carers and grandparents,

Welcome back to all our families at the start of the autumn term. I do hope all our families had a relaxing and enjoyable summer holiday. The children have settled back into school life exceptionally well and, as parents, you should be extremely proud of your children. It is the care and support that everyone involved in our school family gives openly to each other, that makes St Anne's school and parish a place where all children and adults thrive.

Nut allergies in school - We have a number of children in school who have serious nut allergies. Foods that contain nuts are not allowed to be brought into school.

Many thanks to all our families for the effort you continually make to ensure our children arrive on time for school and dressed appropriately in our school uniform. The children look extremely smart and the pride we all share when dressed in our school uniform is clear to see. I must remind all families that the PTA completed the 'Preloved Uniform' shop prior to the summer holidays which is housed in the main KS2 building. It is well worth having a look at the quality of the preloved uniforms if you need a spare jumper etc.

We continue our relentless drive to provide the best possible education for all our children and would like to invite parents to the first information evening of the year, which will be held on Wednesday 20th September from 6.00pm to 7.00pm. The evening will be organised into two halves with a short presentation from the Headteacher, along with an opportunity to meet your child's new teacher in their classroom. The evening will follow the same format as in previous years and a letter with more details will follow.

This year, two new teachers have joined our school.

Mrs Litherland is teaching the children in Class 2, and Mrs Bell is teaching the children in Class 5. Thank you to everyone for making their new start to our school a great success.

We are blessed to have wonderful children, teachers and families who attend St Anne's. 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 now open. The following link will take your family and friends to the 'Admission Page' on our school website https://www.st-annesrc.lancs.sch.uk/about-us/admissions

Polite reminder - No dogs are allowed on the school grounds.

Wishing all our families a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates Headteacher





Curriculum News

Reception In the children have settled into their new classes, explored their learning environment and made lots of new friends. They have been learning our school and classroom rules and talking about how we can be kind friends and make good choices.

Year 1 Wow! What an amazing first week we have had in Year 1. This week the children have enjoyed starting our new English theme 'All About Me'. They have begun to complete their own 'All About Me' booklet which includes information about their appearance, Interests and family. In Math's we are learning all about place value and have been sorting items into various categories. We loved having our first P.E lessons and learning all about living and non-living things in Science. We are really proud at how well the children have all settled into their new classes and adapted to their new rules and routines.

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Year 3 The children have settled extremely well into Year 3, showing that they where definitely ready to join KS2. This week we have begun to look at features of biographs, plus to think about healthy bodies and what a healthy salad might look like. The children have also had their very first French lesson.

Year 4 WOW! What a start to the year. The children have worked incredibly hard this week and have adapted quickly to the new routines of Year 4. We have begun reading our class novel 'The Astounding Broccoli Boy' and have impressed with our knowledge of Place Value and how to keep our teeth healthy. We look forward to a fantastic year ahead!

Year 5 "It has been a joy to welcome our new children to Classes 11 and 12. They have been a delight to teach and they have responded brilliantly to our new topics. In Maths we have been looking at the size of numbers and the value of each digit up to 1 million. In English we have started exploring the legends of the British Isles and we have found out that legends are old stories, often about heroes and they may have elements of truth in them. In Geography we have been looking at the United Kingdom on Google Earth (try it - it is an amazing app), in maps and atlases and in Science we have started looking at the human lifecycle."

Year 6 What a wonderful start to the year Year 6 have had! They have looked so smart in their red jumpers and have worn them with pride! They have already been working so hard on their Maths, English, RE and Science, start as we mean to go on! They even found time to enjoy their music lesson by listening to 'I'm just Ken!' and were fully active in their first West Lancs PE lesson of the year. We're very much looking forward to the year ahead.





Our Award Winners!

Star of the	Mission State-
<u>Week</u>	<u>ment</u>
Oliver H	James Mc
Penny B	Pearl B
Mora F	Mason R
William L	Dominic B
Ryan S	Florence C
Lily A	Theodore VB
John G	Noah R-T
Jesse L– T	Noah SM
Jaxon R & Harriet C	Derry F
Lucy B	Lilian C
Phoebe C	Isabel H
Annie Mc	Lewis B
Charlie O	Noah C
Maisie F	Dylan M





Toddler Group

St Anne's Toddler Group meets every Thursday morning during term time.

It is open to all families and it is a great opportunity to meet new people whilst your children play. Each week there is a different activity including Creation Station, a local craft activity company, offering lots of different crafts for children to do. We also offer fun with food activities, messy play, stories, singing and lots more.

There is no need to book just come along to St Anne's School on a Thursday morning, 9am - 11am. A small charge of £2.00 for the 1st child and 50p for each other child is required.





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.

Ormskirk Tennis Club information

Ormskirk Tennis Club Autumn/Winter Open Day Sat 9th September 10am to 4.30pm All ages and abilities welcome. Plenty to do, including:

- * Visit our fantastic facilities
- * Have a go on our courts (rackets and balls available if required)
- * Join in with a cardio tennis taster
- * Collect your coaching discount voucher
- * Enter our prize draw for a chance to win amazing prizes including: free holiday camp, free one to one lessons, a racket and a free junior winter membership for 23/24 season.

No need to book, just turn up!

Open Evening 2023

19th September – 6pm-8pm

St Bede's Catholic High School

Headteacher talks at 6.15pm and 7pm. Guided tours with our pupils are available from 6pm

