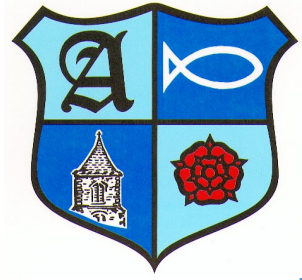




St. Anne's
Catholic Primary School
Newsletter



9th December 2022

Spotlight on Year 3

This week we have been learning all about how we can prepare for Christmas. Advent is such a special time of year and we have enjoyed reading the Christmas story together.

In Maths we have started our multiplication and division topic, as well as becoming more familiar with our Times Tables.

Our Geography and History has been linked to Ormskirk. We have been using detailed maps and looking at photographs of familiar places around us, from the past.

We have been learning to rally in Tennis and the improvements made this week have been dramatic. We have finished our Invasion Games topic.

The Y3 staff would like to take this opportunity to thank our families for their continued support and wish you all a peaceful Christmas.





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Message from Headteacher

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who supported our youngest children in celebrating the Reception Nativity this week. All the children were fantastic and their skills in singing, dancing and telling the Christmas story were there for all to see. Praise goes to all the teachers and staff who prepared our children so well.

Congratulations to all the children who have represented the school in sport over the past weeks. Our children always compete to the highest standards and deserve praise for their efforts. All teachers and parents are exceptionally proud of our children because they always represent St Anne's to the highest standards. Teachers always confirm to me that the children representing St Anne's in sporting competitions show the highest levels of teamwork and respect for the referees. Teachers also make a point to inform me that our children also always demonstrate kindness and sportsmanship to the opposition. Excellent!

Parent's evening attendance was excellent this term with the following tables showing the percentage of parental engagement.

Class	Percentage of parents attending
1 – Reception	92%
2 – Reception	95%
3 – Year 1	100%
4 – Year 1	100%
5 – Year 2	91%
6 – Year 2	100%

Class	Percentage of parents attending
7 – Year 3	100%
8 – Year 3	85%
9 – Year 4	94%
10 – Year 4	100%
11 – Year 5	90%
12 – Year 5	90%
13 – Year 6	88%
14 – Year 6	100%

Please continue to inform friends and family that Primary school admissions closes on **January 15th 2023**. Click on the following link to go directly to St Anne's website page that will provide support and guidance. <https://www.st-annesrc.lancs.sch.uk/about-us/admissions>. I cannot stress enough the importance of completing the 'Supplementary Information Form' for your chosen Primary school. This form must be returned to your chosen school.

The Government has announced that Monday May 8th will be an additional Bank Holiday to mark the King's Coronation.

Wishing all our families a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates



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Curriculum News

Nursery In Nursery this week we have been reading the story 'A Christmas Collar', the children have been talking about the story and answering questions about it. We have enjoyed making our own magical reindeer food ready for Christmas Eve to leave on our lawns ready for Santa. The children feel all ready for Christmas after to going to watch the Reception Christmas play. The Children also enjoyed a lovely Christmas dinner on Tuesday.

Reception

This week in Reception we have been writing our letters to Santa. We have also performed our Nativity for our families and the rest of the school. We are very proud of how brilliant the children were.

Year 1

This week we have really started to get into the Christmas spirit starting the week off enjoying our delicious Christmas lunch. We started our new English topic this week on 'recounts'. The children wrote a brilliant recount about 'The Christmas Story'. They even tried so hard to use past tense verbs! As part of our season's topic in Science, we enjoyed being nature detectives on our winter walk looking for signs of winter.

Year 2 We cannot believe that this is the penultimate week of the Autumn Term! The children are continuing to work hard throughout the week, and we are so proud of them! This week they have been doing some very tricky Maths, subtracting two digit numbers with exchanging. In Science they have been investigating how they can change the shape of materials by adding force (bending, pushing and twisting). The children have made amazing progress in their gymnastics, and they are now able to complete a sequence of movements by travelling, balancing, jumping and rolling. As Christmas is drawing nearer, they have been reflecting on how they can prepare for Jesus' birth. They have explored the symbolism of the Advent wreath and are now beginning to retell the Christmas story in words and pictures.

Year 3 See this weeks Spotlight.

Year 4 Year 4 have had a brilliant day at the Liverpool Slavery Museum. They have showcased their current knowledge and learned lots of new things along the way. Despite the cold, we enjoyed looking at the buildings and monuments on the Pier Head that remind us of the harsh reality of the Slave Trade and the huge part that Liverpool played in it.

Year 5

Year 5 have just finished their excellent 6 week block of tennis lessons over at Ormskirk Tennis Club and their fantastic term of Gymnastics with the WLSP (West Lancs Sports Partnership) coach, with everyone making amazing progress in both areas.

Year 6

Year 6 have worked hard to complete their final newspaper piece, reporting on a devastating tsunami. They also did some great work and research on the extinction of the Dodo Bird.



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Our Award Winners!

Star of the Week

Mission State- ment

Rosa B

Jacob H

Hugo D

Zach McL

Emily C

Henry T

William Mc

Charlie J

Archie S

Niamh T

Alexander S

Joel N

Jack I

Arthur C

Eliza E

Sam S

Annie T

Noah S

Harry E

Bella S

Oliver O'H

James M

Noah RT

Samuel C

Avary B

Jack C

Sienna H

Madeline S



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PTA News-

PTA News – 2nd December

Breakfast with Santa- Don't forget to book!

The dates have been confirmed, Father Christmas and his team of PTA Elves are busy planning away to make the morning so magical!

Tue 13th Dec 07:45 – infants + Pre-School

Wed 14th Dec 07:45 – juniors

There is still time to book your child onto the event of the year! Link below:

Book here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stannesormskirk>

Please bring your children to their usual classroom door by 07:45 prompt so they can be registered to ensure safe guarding. The children can wear Christmas jumpers over their usual uniform/P.E kit.

(Note; you won't receive a physical ticket & your child won't need to bring any ticket with them on the day. By booking online we'll have the full list of names to help the event run as smoothly as possible)

Your School Lottery



Are you signed up to 'Your School Lottery?' There is an amazing additional prize worth over £1000 up for grabs. This incredible PS5 prize bundle includes a PS5 disc edition (of course!), extra controller, 3 amazing games, an official PlayStation Pulse headset, and loads more goodies – as well as a 43" 4k Ultra HD Smart TV to play it on!

This prize must be won by 10th December. To sign up or buy extra tickets here's the link:

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/st-annes-catholic-primary-school-ormskirk>

Thank you for your on-going support

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Instagram: [st_annes_pta](https://www.instagram.com/st_annes_pta)





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Dear Parents/Carers

We are delighted to invite you to our annual St. Bede's Christmas Carol Service.

The Service is on Monday 12th December 2022 at St. Anne's Church and will begin at 7pm.

This is the first Carol Service since 2019 and the pupils and staff have been working extremely hard to make it a special evening both for our school and the wider community.

This is an opportunity to celebrate the talents of our wonderful musicians and to reflect upon the true meaning of Christmas through liturgy, singing, music and prayer.

This event does not require a ticket, however there will be a retiring collection for Jospice (St. Joseph's Hospice).

We look forward to welcoming you, your friends and family on the evening of Monday 12th.





























With Warmest Wishes

Mr D Morgan

Headteacher

Mission Together Advent Calendar 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1st Sunday of Advent What is the promise the prophet Isaiah speaks of in today's first reading? <i>Isaiah 2:1-5</i>  27	An Advent wreath's candles are a symbol of Christ's light. Think of ways you can a light for others today.*  28	Learn our Advent Carol <i>We are waiting*</i> and sing it as a class. Why not film your singing and share it with us @MissioUK  29	Today is the feast of St Andrew, one of the twelve disciples. Find out which country he is the patron saint of.  30	Make a <i>Star of Hope</i> and think about how you can bring hope to others this Advent.*  1	Tomorrow is the feast of St Francis Xavier. Find out why he is the patron saint of mission.*  2	Write an Advent prayer. Try to include the words: hope, wait, light, God, Jesus. Or create an artwork expressing these words.  3
2nd Sunday of Advent In today's Gospel reading, John the Baptist tells the people to prepare for Jesus. How can we do this too? <i>Matthew 3:1-12</i>  4	One way we can prepare for Jesus is by building peace. Make a peace paper-chain and think about how you can build peace in school this week.*  5	Today is the feast of St Nicholas. Find out what St Nicholas did to bring hope to poor people.*  6	Say the Mission Together Prayer for children living in war zones: <i>May all children in the world, share love, share friendship and live in the peace of God's love. Now and forever. Amen.</i>  7	As a class, sing <i>Silent Night</i> .* Listen carefully to the words and think about what they mean.  8	Make peace today. Say sorry to someone you may have upset this week. Or forgive someone who has upset you.  9	Find somewhere peaceful to sit and thank God for the people who love and care for you.  10
3rd Sunday of Advent The prophet Isaiah predicts great joy in today's first reading. How can we share God's joy this week? <i>Isaiah 35:1-6, 10</i>  11	Yesterday was <i>Gaude</i> Sunday. Find out what <i>Gaude</i> means.  12	Find out how Advent & Christmas are celebrated in another country.  13	Make a <i>Joyful Angel</i> and think about how you can share the joy of Jesus today.*  14	Joy is easy to pass on! Look out for people who are lonely today and invite them to play.  15	As a class sing <i>Joy to the World</i> .* Why not film your singing and share it with us @MissioUK  16	Say a prayer for all children who are upset, sad, or lonely. Ask God to help us share his joy with them.  17
4th Sunday of Advent In today's Gospel, an angel visits Joseph and says, 'Do not be afraid'. Ask God to help you with your worries. <i>Matthew 1:18-24</i>  18	Imagine you are the donkey carrying Mary to Bethlehem. Write a poem or carol about your special task.  19	Sing your favourite carol to a family member today. Think about the words and tell someone what they mean.  20	Create a <i>Gift for the World</i> decoration and think about the gifts God has given you to share.*  21	Be an Advent light today: make a Christmas card for an elderly relative or neighbour.*  22	Today pray for people who have no home. Ask God to keep them safe this Christmas, and for us to find ways to help them.  23	Rejoice! Jesus is born! Remember to thank God and your family for all the gifts their love brings.  24 & 25

The Sunday Bible stories are taken from the readings at Mass that day. An abridged version can be found in our accompanying liturgical prayers. A * refers to activities, assemblies or carols. Download all for free from the Advent page of the Mission Together website.

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Nugent Care Christmas Hamper Appeal

Dear Parents and carers,

Advent is a time for spreading hope, love, joy, and peace to others. This year we would again like to invite our families to support the Nugent Care Christmas Hamper Appeal which asks us to 'leave no-one behind' by helping to spread Christmas joy to many local families, who are less fortunate than us.

We would be very grateful if you can possibly donate to any one of the following collections:

- Week beginning 28th November
'Christmas treats' - chocolates, a selection box, sweets, crisps, nibbles
- Week beginning 5th December
'Christmas dinner food items' - mince pies, a Christmas pudding or cake, crackers for cheese, biscuits, jam, tinned vegetables.
- Week beginning 12th December
'A small gift' - toiletries, puzzles, jigsaws, craft items, hats, scarves, gloves, pyjamas

There will be boxes in each Year Group area where the children can place their donations. The gifts will then be collated on Tuesday 13th December and distributed by Nugent Care to local families.

Many, many thanks for your continued support in making this a magical time for our children and for others in our community.