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# <u>9th September 2022</u> Nursery spotlight.



The children have settled really well.

We have had a lovely first week in Nursery, making new friends and exploring.









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### **Message from Headteacher**

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

Well done to all our children for having a fantastic first week back at school. From our youngest children to our oldest children you have really been brilliant and we know we will have a wonderful school year.

A letter regarding admissions for September 2022 was sent home on Wednesday and is available on the website. Please signpost any friends or family whose child is due to start school this September.

Attendance and Punctuality – It is vitally important that good routines are established at the beginning of the school year. Being in school every day is essential for children to build on their learning as they progress through school. Being on time to school is equally important. The classroom doors open at 8.45am for children to arrive, with the register being taken at 8.55am. Lessons begin at 9.00am.

The building work should be finished by mid-October. Once all works are completed, we will organise an Open Afternoon for all our parents/grandparents to visit school and see their children learning.

Children from Year 2 to Year 6 will be attending Mass on Monday morning at 9.30am. Parents/ grandparents are welcome to attend. Thanks to Mrs Preston and Father Godric for organising this Mass.

Wishing all our families a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates

Headteacher



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Our Award Winners!

# Star of the Week Mission Statement

Dexter C	
Oscar A	
Harry L	
Dillon F	
Mason M	
Adam G & Lola O	
Charlie C	
Sophie M	
Joyti S	
Finely C	
Pearl B	
Luke B	
Grace E	
Luca P	

Isla S

Luna G

Kenny M

Luna J

Charlotte O

Madeleine S

James F

Evie F-W

Jack C

Daniel B

Dylan M

William L

Grace C

Scarlett H



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## **Curriculum News**

Nursery Please see this week's 'Spotlight'.

**Reception** This week we started in Reception and have been exploring our new classroom, making lots of friends and getting to know our new teachers.

**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 began to complete their own 'All About Me' booklet which includes information about their appearance, interests and family. In Maths we are learning all about place value and finding the value of numbers to 20. We loved having our first P.E lesson on the tennis courts practising our rolling and throwing skills. We are really proud at how well the children have all settled into their new classes and adapted to their new rules and routines. Remember to always check our Twitter page as we love to post what we get up to throughout the day!

**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. They have worked so hard on their new Year 2 challenges - Maths, English, Science, History, RE, PE and handwriting. They are now little Roald Dahl experts - his life, his writing hut, and even the order that he wrote his books! We can't wait to celebrate his birthday next week with our Roald Dahl themed day.

**Year 3** The teachers and teaching assistants are thrilled with how Year 3 have settled into the Junior Department. We have hit the ground running, looking at healthy lifestyles, what a biography is and the value of digits up to 1000. Well done all our Year 3 children. You are stars!

**Year 4** This week, Year 4 have settled into their new classes. They have been practising their throwing and catching as part of Tag Rugby training. In Science, the children were introduced to the topic Teeth and Digestion.

**Year 5** This week, Year 4 have settled into their new classes. They have been practising their throwing and catching as part of Tag Rugby training. In Science, the children were introduced to the topic Teeth and Digestion.

**Year 6** Year 6 have begun the year brilliantly and have word the red jumpers with pride and responsibility. We can't wait for the year ahead with them. We have started our topics of Hybrid Texts, Place Value and Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds.



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### **IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM**

### WELCOME MASS

(12<sup>th</sup> September)

St Anne's Church at 9.30am for parents and children from Y2-6.

#### HARVEST MASS

(7<sup>th</sup> October)

St Anne's Church at 9.30am for parents and children from Y2-6.

### ALL SAINTS

(1<sup>st</sup> November)

We celebrate the lives of special and ordinary people who have responded to God's invitation to love.

#### THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)

(2<sup>nd</sup> November)

Today and throughout the rest of November we pray for those who have died. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

#### **REMEMBRANCE DAY**

(11<sup>th</sup> November)

The Year 6 children will lead a service for Remembrance day for all school pupils, and the parents of the Year 6 pupils.

#### OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING

(20<sup>th</sup> November)



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### ADVENT

(Begins 27<sup>th</sup> November)

Advent means 'coming'. We think of the coming of Jesus when he was born but we also think of his promise that he would come again at the end of time. It is a time of waiting and preparing.

### ADVENT MASS

(2<sup>nd</sup> December)

St Anne's Church at 9.30am for parents and children from Y1-6.

### THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(8<sup>th</sup> December)

This feast marks the first stage of the existence of Mary, the mother of Jesus. She was 'full of grace' from the very beginning and co-operated with God throughout her life.

### CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

(14<sup>th</sup> December)

The Year 5 children will lead a service for Remembrance day for all school pupils, and the parents of the Year 6 pupils.

### CHRISTMAS DAY, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

(25<sup>th</sup> December)

### THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

(30<sup>th</sup> December)



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#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

#### AUTUMN TERM 2022 COME AND SEE AT HOME

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This term we will be studying the three themes of Domestic Church (Family), Baptism and Confirmation (Belonging) and Advent and Christmas (Loving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics. The children will also spend a week studying Judaism.

#### DOMESTIC CHURCH - FAMILY (5<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> September)

Early Years	MYSELF - God knows and loves each one
Year 1	FAMILIES - God's love and care for every family
Year 2	BEGINNINGS - God is present in every beginning
Year 3	HOMES - God's vision for every family
Year 4	PEOPLE - The family of God in Scripture
Year 5	OURSELVES - Created in the image and likeness of God
Year 6	LOVING - God who never stops loving

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Make a collage using family photographs of all the significant family members—grandparents, parents, children, aunts, uncles etc. who show God's love. Write underneath it "We show God's love to one another." Include those who have died.

#### JUDAISM (7<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> Novembe

Pupils will study various aspects of Judaism for one week. Ask them what they have been learning about

BAF	TISM AND CONFIRMATION - BELONGING
	(3 <sup>rd</sup> October – 4 <sup>th</sup> November inc half term)
Early Years	WELCOME - Baptism: a welcome to God's family
Year 1	BELONGING - Baptism: an invitation to belong to God's
	family
Year 2	SIGNS AND SYMBOLS - Signs and symbols in Baptism
Year 3	PROMISES - Promises made at Baptism
Year 4	CALLED - Confirmation: a call to witness
Year 5	LIFE CHOICES - Marriage, commitment and service
Year 6	VOCATION AND COMMITMENT - The vocation of
	priesthood and religious life

#### ADVENT/CHRISTMAS - LOVING (21<sup>st</sup> November - 16<sup>th</sup> December)

Early Years	BIRTHDAY - Looking forward to Jesus' birthday
Year 1	WAITING - Advent: a time to look forward to Christmas
Year 2	PREPARATIONS - Advent: preparing to celebrate
	Christmas
Year 3	VISITORS - waiting for the coming of Jesus
Year 4	GIFT - God's gift of love and friendship in Jesus
Year 5	HOPE - Advent: waiting in the joyful hope for Jesus, the
	promised one
Year 6	EXPECTATIONS - Jesus born to show God to the world

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk to someone who has been to a Baptism and/or Confirmation about their memories of this celebration.

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Discuss with the children how your family welcomes visitors to your home. Find out about some Christian symbols for Advent e.g. Advent wreath, calendar, Jesse tree. Use the CAFOD or <u>Missio</u> websites to get a religious Advent calendar.



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## School Council Matters.....



During the last few weeks of the summer term, the School Council ran tuck shops for the Infants and Juniors, raising £165 for Cafod's Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal.

Thank you to everyone who supported this!

### <u>Messages</u>



There will have a Solemn Requiem Mass for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Sunday 11th September, 10.30am at St. Anne's Church.

### St Anne's Church Bulletin

The Bulletin is available on the Church website: <u>stannes-ormskirk.org.uk</u>

A link is available at the bottom of every page on our school website also.