



# St. Anne's Catholic Primary School Newsletter



## Spotlight on Year 4



Over the last few weeks Year 4 have been learning about 'The Slave Trade'. It has been fascinating!

This week we have been looking at life on the plantations and Liverpool's contribution towards the Slave Trade. The children have been studying the street names of our famous city and learning who they were named after.



Year 4 are very happy to also be back swimming.



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**Message from Headteacher**

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

**School will finish for Christmas as planned on Friday 18th December at the normal time**

Christmas celebrations

Christmas dinner proved a great success with all children really enjoying our festive celebrations. Thanks to Mrs Cooper and the kitchen staff for a delicious meal!

Tuesday 15th December – 'Brunch with Santa'. Many thanks to our PTA and teachers who have worked together organising this event for our children. Children are allowed to wear their Christmas jumpers to school on this day along with their normal school uniform.

Class Christmas Parties – individual class teachers will communicate which day these will take place. Children are allowed to dress in their party clothes for this day.

Snow arrangements

In the event of snowfall this winter, please see the letter on the website for details.

Holiday pattern 2021/2022

Governors have approved the holiday pattern for 2021/2022. Please see website for details.

Admissions information

Friday, January 15th 2021 is the deadline for children to apply to St Anne's who are due to start school in September 2021. Please share this information with friends and family who may not be aware of this due to toddler groups etc not operating at the moment. All admissions information can be found on our website.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates  
Headteacher



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## *Parish of St Anne Ormskirk*

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Fr Godric Timney OSB Rector

11/12/20

Dear Parents

We are all well aware that Christmas 2020 will not be celebrated as we have known in the past. None-the-less, since we have learnt to adapt to situations over the past months, I hope that Christmas will still be an opportunity for you and your families to gather and celebrate this great feast with joy.

Government restrictions mean that the number of people allowed in church for Mass is limited so Masses will be simpler than is usual for this great celebration. Christmas Masses in St Anne's will be as follows:

**Christmas Eve: 5pm and 9pm.**

**Christmas Day: 10am.**

You will need to **book tickets** in advance in order to come to Mass. Full details on how to apply for tickets can be found in the bulletin on St Anne's parish web site, on Facebook and in the printed copies of the parish bulletin. However, there are only a very few places remaining for the 5pm Mass.

These three Masses will be live streamed so you can join us in church from your homes. It's a good second - best way to participate in our Christmas services.

Also, I shall be celebrating a **Mass which will be recorded** and available to view on Facebook from 6pm Christmas Eve onwards. The Children's Liturgy Team will help prepare the Mass with young children in mind. *Some of the children will be (safely) acting out the Gospel of the Nativity*

The Church celebrates Christmas until the feast of the Epiphany, 6 January. I hope you might have an opportunity to visit St Anne's at some stage and if the church is not open you will be able to say a prayer by our new outdoor crib (which I hope will be set up by Christmas) or you can visit the new statue of Our Lady of Lourdes round the corner of the main church door.

Wishing you a very Happy Christmas and every blessing in 2021

Godric Timney OSB



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**Curriculum News**

**Reception** This week in Reception we have been learning all about the Nativity story. We have enjoyed making lots of Christmas crafts and talking about our feelings.

**Year 1** This week in Year 1 we have been working hard at reciting parts of the poem 'The night before Christmas' and are getting very good at using adjectives and verbs. In Maths we have enjoyed ordering objects and numbers using the language smallest, greatest and equal to. We have also started using the symbols that represent greater than and less than.

**Year 2** This week has been such a busy week and 'it's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas!' The children have narrated the Christmas Story so beautifully for the younger children. We enjoyed a very special Christmas dinner together - singing, dancing and eating with our class friends and teachers. Back in the classroom we have done some amazing Art work on Pointillism, learned how to tally and make pictograms in Maths and have written an Information leaflet about our school. Well done Year 2!

**Year 3** Year 3 have worked so hard this week with their new topic of Comics and even managed to find time to create some beautiful Christmas cards. It was also lovely to have all the children together in the school hall to celebrate Christmas dinner on Wednesday. We're looking forward to being with the children for the last week of term next week.

**Year 4** Please see this week's spotlight.

**Year 5** Year 5 have been enjoying using the I.T. Suit this week, developing their skills brilliantly.

**Year 6** We enjoyed filming our piece for the Christmas video, before completing all of our assessments!!



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# Our Award Winners!

## Star of the Week   Mission Statement

Mackenzie

Euan

Joni

Isla

Isabel K.

Dylan

Tobias

Karter

Sebby

Bella

Georgia

Sasha

Avary

Charlie

Betsy

Summer

William

Olivia

Imogen

Jake

Isabel B.

Yasmin-Mae

Lucia

Phoebe

Alex

Shane

Sienna

Charlotte





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**Nugent Care Christmas Hampers**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Yesterday I received an email from the charity Nugent Care with details of their annual Christmas Appeal. Nugent Care is a wonderful local charity that supports the most vulnerable families across Merseyside. As a school we support the charity annually, and this year, more than most, it seems apt to respond to their 'Christmas Hero' appeal. They are asking to help them provide some much-needed festive cheer to the people that rely on the regions food banks, as well as the vulnerable adults and children in their care, by putting together Christmas hampers containing everything needed for a 'Christmas spread.' Each hamper will contain Christmas Dinner food items or treats such as:

- \* Tinned vegetables (carrots, potatoes, peas, corn)
- \* Stuffing and gravy granules
- \* Mince Pies
- \* Christmas pudding (non-alcoholic)
- \* Christmas cake (non-alcoholic)
- \* Festive sweets/ biscuits (non-alcoholic)
- \* Chocolate or selection boxes
- \* Crisps
- \* Jam
- \* Diabetic biscuits or jam
- \* Tinned fruit
- \* Cupboard staples to help families survive this winter

It would be wonderful if you can donate any of the above items for the appeal by sending them into school before Wednesday, 16th December. Donations can be sent into school (in a carrier bag) with your child or alternatively, I will leave collection boxes in the wooden shelter on the KS1 playground which will be emptied each morning and evening. We will then collate the hampers and deliver them to Nugent Care on Thursday ready to be distributed before Christmas.

Many thanks for your help, support, and generosity. I know that your donations will make a real difference to many families in the local area.

Mrs Preston



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# Hamper Appeal

**Leave no one behind  
this Christmas**

**Can you help pull together one  
(or several!) special Christmas  
food hampers containing:**

- Christmas Dinner food items
- Tinned vegetables (carrots, potatoes, peas, corn)
- Stuffing
- Gravy granules
- Mince Pies
- Christmas pudding (non-alcoholic)
- Christmas cake (non-alcoholic)
- Festive sweets/ biscuits (non-alcoholic)
- Chocolate or selection boxes
- Crisps
- Jam
- Cupboard staples to help families survive this winter.

**The deadline for donations is Tuesday  
15th December 2020**

**For more information, please contact  
Fay Purves, Fundraising Coordinator -**

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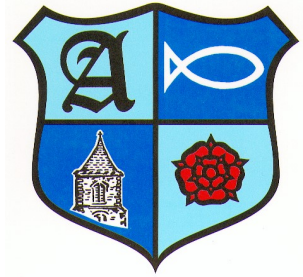
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**Key Messages**

**Covid19**

**The key messages to try to reduce the spread of Covid-19 are:**

Ensuring good hand washing routines using soap and hot water.

Adults and children to maintain a 2 metre distance wherever possible.

Parents and children not to gather at the start or end of the day on the school grounds.

**Headlice and Threadworm**

It is very common in schools for children to have head lice. It is sensible for all parents/carers to continually check their child's head for lice and use the correct treatments as required. Please also check for threadworms as this is also common in children. Please seek medical advice as required.

**Primary School Admission – September 2021**

Please share Primary School Admissions information with friends and family members who have young children starting school next year. Many toddler groups are not operating as normal during the current restrictions and this could lead to parents not knowing about the timeframes for applications. All information is on St Anne's School website.

**Secondary School Admission – September 2021**

Secondary School Admissions are now closed. Any late applications need to be directed to Lancashire County Council School Admissions Secondary South, via their website [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) or call 01772 532109.

**St Anne's Church Bulletin** is available on the Church website. A link is available at the bottom of every page on our school website: