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#### 1st March 2024

#### Spotlight on Year 4

Year 4 have been incredibly busy this week. During the PE sessions, the children have been practising the skills of balancing and working in pairs to create wonderful and unique balances which demonstrated a good understanding of the gymnastic skill. Our Hockey sessions have focused on dribbling the ball and holding the stick correctly.



In Science and English, the children have been gathering information about living things and their habitats ready to plan and write their own information booklet. The highlight of the week has been the participation in the whole class instrumental class where the children learnt how to read staff notation and were introduced to the crotchets, minims and semibreves. All children used the keyboards and practised the reading and playing the notes from a piece of music.





Marcus Coates a sculpture artist is the inspiration for the artwork this half term. The children have looked at many examples of bird's nests and practised using the media of art pencils to create their own interpretation of the pictures.

The children have continued with their sacramental journey during the 'With You Always' sessions.



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#### **Message from Headteacher**

Dear parents, carers and grandparents,

Many thanks to the PTA for organising the 'Raisin Challenge' this term. To date over  $\pounds$ 800 has been collected. This is incredible and reflects the generosity of our school family. Well done to all involved. One child in Class 2 managed to raise over  $\pounds$ 90! If you still have money to send into school, please continue to do so.

Thanks to all for supporting the 'Pyjama Day'. The funds raised will help to introduce a recycling scheme for our school. Well done to the Eco Club for this initiative.

Reminder – We have several children in school with severe nut allergies. There can be no raw nuts or nut products brought into school. Please check snacks and packed lunches carefully.

Parents' Evening – Parents' evening will take place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Reception Class parents evening will be on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March and Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Further information will follow.

Polite reminder to all adults that the school car park is only accessible after 5pm at night and that 5mph is plenty fast enough on school grounds!



Wishing all our families a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates

Headteacher

#### 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.



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#### **Curriculum News**

**Nursery** We have continued reading the 'Zoo vet' and 'Dear Zoo' in Nursery this week. The children have enjoyed talking about what they think is going to happen next in the stories and why things have happened. The children have been very busy taking on the role of a vet, working together to make all the animals better. We have created some animals in art using the aboriginal style of dot painting, they look amazing! **Star of the Week: Callum B Mission Statement: Francesca F** 

**Reception** This week in Reception we have been learning about dinosaurs! We have read the story 'Dear Dinosaur' and we have written our own letter with questions. In maths we have been learning about numbers 9 and 10. In music we have been learning about an orchestra, different instruments and whether they are brass, percussion, string or woodwind. This week we have been learning the sounds: ear, air, ure and er.

**Year 1** This week in English we have been creating our own version of the Story No- Bot in preparation for writing our own Fantasy Story next week. We have been learning all about weight and comparing mass in Maths. In RE we have learnt about the Last Supper. In DT we created our own finger puppets.

**Year 2** In Year 2 the children have been writing their own chapter of 'The Owl Who Was Afraid Of The Dark,' choosing their own nocturnal animals to write about and including adverbs and adjectives in there piece. In maths we have worked on division problems and finished the multiplication & division topic with an assessment. They have designed their own bug hotel for all the minibeasts they find in their gardens.

**Year 3** Year 3 have been amazing with their fractions this week and have made fantastic progression. In Science they had great fun putting a human skeleton together in groups and then labelling the different bones. We've also been delighted to have parents join us for our 'Stay and Pray' session.

#### Year 4 <u>See Spotlight</u>

**Year 5** Year 5 have been learning about the human and physical geography of the Amazon Basin - this week we found the River Amazon has its source in Peru, high up in the Andes and we learnt that the River Amazon is the biggest (not longest - that is the Nile) river in the world. In Science we learnt about the life-cycles of different animals, such as insects (complete and partial metamorphoses), reptiles and mammals. What a great week we have had.

**Year 6** Year 6 have continued their hard work on understanding the battle for power in 1066, this week focusing on the Battle of Stamford Bridge. They have also been comparing Pop Art to the music we listen to nowadays. In German, with Frau Williams, they were able to name, label and converse about animals and their pets at home.





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# **Our Award Winners!**

<u>Star of the Week</u>	Mission Statement			
Mark K	Oliver O'H			
Jacob H & Zach M R	Jaxon R			
Emily C	Sam D			
Isobel T	Mora F & Harry A			
Laney B-G	Jessica B			
Max S	Jack C			
Phoebe S	Santiago C-C			
Booby S	Grace B			
Grace S	Mark T			
Eleanor Mc	Thomas L			
Sophia A	Trudi C			
Noah S	Harriet S			
Jyoti S	Ben Mc			
Franklin B	Sebastian R			

Attendance for Week Ending 19/02/2024						
Class 1 are the winners of the Attendance Award for this week in Key Stage 1	Class	No Pupils	% Attend- ance	Sessions Missed	Rank	
	Class 1	22	99.10%	2	1	
	Class 2	23	86.10%	32	4	
	Class 3	24	93.30%	16	3	
	Class 4	24	82.00%	45	6	
	Class 5	26	84.20%	41	5	
	Class 6	26	98.10%	5	2	
Class 9 are the winners of the Attendance Award for this week in Key Stage 2	Class 7	22	90.90%	20	7	
	Class 8	24	86.10%	32	8	
	Class 9	32	98.10%	6	1	
	Class 10	31	95.50%	14	5	
	Class 11	24	97.50%	6	3	
	Class 12	24	95.00%	12	6	
	Class 13	31	97.40%	8	4	
	Class 14	30	97.70%	7	2	



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#### PTA News





On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at the Parish Centre The PTA have organised an Easter Family Bingo!

To support us in our fundraising efforts we would welcome donations from our school community and local community of drinks, chocolates, vouchers and gifts.

Children should pass donations to their class teacher on Friday 8th March

Save the date! Get your picnic hamper packed and bring your own drinks, snacks and bin bags! We'll provide an evening of entertainment, including a DJ with the chance to win some amazing prizes at our bingo and raffle.

#### PTA EASTER FAMILY BINGO NIGHT Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March @ St Anne's Parish Centre Doors open 6pm — Eyes Down 6:30pm

Event tickets are £5 per person which includes your bingo games for the evening

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☆ Feeling lucky? ☆ Additional bingo books can be bought on the night! Please bring cash – and your dabbers/pens!

Due to a maximum capacity at the Parish Centre this will be a bookable and limited event. Tickets will go on sale soon via our PTA Events website- we advise booking early to avoid dissapointment! We'll be sure to let you know when ticket sales open.

If you have any questions; or suggestions for prizes please get in touch with us at stannespta@outlook.com

Thank you for your on-going support. St Annes PTA Volunteers.



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# junior parkrun

Free, weekly, timed 2k for 4-14yr olds

# **Coronation** Park juniors

Every Sunday, 9am start (meet at 8:45am for briefing) Coronation Park bandstand, Ormskirk, L39 3RB. (Free parking at Park Pool)

Run, walk, skip or volunteer! For more info & to register, please visit: https://www.parkrun.org.uk/coronationpark-juniors/







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