

# St Anne's C of E (A) Primary News



*"Developing the whole child, spiritually, mentally and physically in a caring Christian Environment through close links to the Church and Community"*

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024

Dear Parents & Carers

We do hope you had a relaxing half term. The children were keen to share their stories on Monday morning and they sounded like they got up to a variety of things! They shared their knowledge about 'Shrove Tuesday' as well as their favourite toppings! After School Club made their own pancakes and we discovered that Pippa (1) is our expert pancake tosser!

Rev Dave and Claire led us in our 'Ash Wednesday' service and talked about Lent being a time to perhaps 'give something up', equally it can be about taking something up - giving your time to help others perhaps or finding more opportunities for prayer. We will be exploring Lent a little further as we approach Easter time.



It was a long day for 32 choir members and 6 adults on Tuesday as they made their annual trip to 'Sheffield Arena' to participate in the 'Young Voices' choir. There were 4822 children singing in total and they performed to a sell-out arena, it is always a pleasure to see them singing their hearts out and soaking up the experience. Thank you to Mr Nadkarni, Mrs Hewitt, Mrs Reay, Mrs Ridout and Mrs Storrs for supporting me with the group.



## **Sporting News**

We were really excited to be attending the Nottinghamshire Schools Swimming Gala today and will update you with the results next week. Hot Off the Press – each child swam their socks off! They really did try their best and were a pleasure to take.

## **After School Club**

Activities w/c 26<sup>th</sup> February

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
World Pokemon Day annual Japanese celebration	World Polar Bear Day	Connect/Games & Activities	Birthday party theme - Leap Year 29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	St Patricks Day theme - daffodil making

## **FOSAS**

Rock and Roll Bingo takes place on the 15<sup>th</sup> March.  
Pie and peas available for £6 with gluten free and vegetarian options also available.  
Hot Dogs £3 or tickets available at £1 (no food).

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM ANY FOSAS MEMBER OR VIA THE FOSAS FACEBOOK PAGE. WE CAN ALSO BRING TICKETS INTO THE OFFICE FOR THEM TO BE COLLECTED.**

**PAYMENT CAN BE CASH OR BACS INTO THE FOSAS ACCOUNT.**

As always, the committee would be grateful for any raffle prize donations. It really is a fun filled night!

**NEXT MEETING is on Monday 26th Feb at 7pm in the Shireoaks Inn.**

The 'Special Person' secret gift shop is also running on the 6th, 7th and 8th March after school in readiness for Mothering Sunday weekend.

Advance notice - the Talent Show will take place once again – always a fun filled night. In the past, there have been dancers, comedians, singers, instrumentalists and karate experts – whatever the talent, now is the time to start to have a think about it so that we can create a fun filled show!

## **Breakfast Club**

When dropping children off to Breakfast Club in the morning, please refrain from asking to meet with staff. First thing in the morning is important and valuable time for staff in preparing for the day. We also cannot take Breakfast Club staff away from their roles in the morning. Messages can always be passed on and class teachers will respond at their first opportunity. Thank you.

## News from the Classes

### Class Reception

This week Class Reception have been learning about another 'Traditional Tale' in 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. They have learnt to retell the story through a song and have enjoyed singing it during the week and have been thinking about the sequence of the story. In Maths, they have been thinking about length and height and ordering, comparing and sorting objects based on this.

### Class One

This week Year 1 wrote letters to 'Bob the Astronaut', to find out more about his life and his job. The next day Bob replied to them and sent them his book 'Man on the Moon'. They were very excited to learn all about his job on the moon. They then travelled to the moon and wrote descriptive postcards to their family, talking all about what they saw on the moon and how amazing it was.

### Class Two

This week in Science, Year 2 have set up an experiment to find out if seeds need soil to germinate and grow into healthy plants. They made predictions before setting up a hydroponics experiment.

### Class Three

This week in Year 3 the children have enjoyed learning about 'Disco' music in their Music lessons. They listened to some very popular disco tunes from artists such as the BeeGees, Chaka Khan and Sister Sledge. They have also finished their final piece in Art, creating a clay sculpture. There are some fabulous interpretations of the Tortoise from 'Esio Trot' and the 'BFG' amongst others.





### **Class Four**

Year 4 have had a busy first week back starting with an introduction to their dance unit on Vikings. They were tasked with using their stimulus to create a movement to the count of 8 and a freeze frame. It was excellent to see the engagement and enthusiasm for our new PE unit. On Tuesday, they started their new learning on states of matter by identifying, classifying and grouping objects in to solids, liquids and gases based on their properties. On Thursday, they enjoyed starting their gymnastics unit with Emma, developing their learning from previous years.



### **Class Five**

It has been great having the class back in school and the buzz that they bring to the classroom. This week, they delved into a new book to begin writing narratives. They enjoyed the planning phase which involved talk for writing and pushed people out of their comfort zones to present their versions of a story.

In PE, children have enjoyed their first lesson of gymnastics and in Science, they have started a new topic which is proving to be very exciting. In Maths, the children have finished their tricky learning on fractions and are excited to be starting decimals and percentages next week.



### **Class Six**

This week Year 6 have had a busy week. Some have been out to 'Young Voices' and others have been sewing and researching 'Make Do and Mend' as part of their History learning. They have also been very excited to try their 'step' counters in preparation for their competition (they are determined to win). They have been adding and subtracting decimals in Maths and writing descriptions in English.

### **Congratulations to our Stars of the Week**

**Class Reception** – James & Kaydence

**Class One** – Nadia & Dominic

**Class Two** – Sophie

**Class Three** – Elsa & Emilia

**Class Four** – Joshua & Liam

**Class Five** – Harry

**Class Six** – William

**Lunch time Stars:**

Emma (1)

### **Out of School Achievements:**

Dana (2) gaining her level 8 in swimming.

Julian (R) achieving his level 3 in swimming.

Willow (1) for taking part in her dance show at Acorn.

Max (6) & Poppy (5) took part in 'Flag Waving at Sheffield United Football Club' last Sunday at the game against Brighton.

Max & Poppy with other players from their grassroots football club were in the middle of the pitch waving team flags as the players came out at the beginning of the game and even made their very own debut on Sky Sports and Match of the Day!



### **Gymnastic Awards**

#### **Core Skills One**

Delilah(1), Olivia (5), Cassie (3), Evan (3), Edie (3) & Oscar T (3)

# 2023-2024 Attendance

Class	Attendance
R	94.0%
1	96.5%
2	94.0%
3	97.1%
4	97.0%
5	96.0%
6	95.6%
ALL	95.6%

## **Church Services**

9am Holy Communion

10.15ish Service for All Ages

6pm Informal Service of Worship, Word & Prayer

## **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

3.20pm St Anne's Connect - Family Worship in the school hall with food, games and a time to worship together (Suggested donation to cover costs of £1-£2 per family)

## **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

5.00pm St Anne's Kidz - Children's Club for Y4-Y6 in St Anne's church. Games, crafts, worship and lots of fun. All welcome.

6.00pm St Anne's Youth Choir - from Y6 upwards at St Anne's church.

## **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

3.00pm -5.00pm St Anne's Drop In - in the church hall for Y5 upwards. Crafts, games, tuck and video games. A time to chill out after school at the end of the week. All welcome.

Next Thursday after school will be the **LAST** Kidz Connect - it will move to Thursday lunch time for Year 2/3 thereafter. The Friday Kidz Connect lunch time club will continue for the younger children.

## **Prayers for the week from Harry M and Spencer in Class 6**

Dear God

Help all the people who have given something up for Lent. A time allowing us to remember how Jesus fasted in the desert and give us the time to remember our faith and get ready for Easter. Amen



Dear Lord

Help us to give up some of the things we love in Lent ready for Easter. Amen.

With my best wishes.

**Mrs Middleton & the St Anne's Team**

## Diary Dates

### INSET DAYS 2023- 24

4<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
20<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
9<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
25<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
26<sup>th</sup> July 2024

### Key Statutory Weeks (Assessment)

KS2 SATS – 13<sup>th</sup> May -all week – Year 6  
Class 1 Phonics - 10<sup>th</sup> June week – Year 1  
Statutory Multiplication Check -3<sup>rd</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>  
June – Year 4  
Please ensure your children are in school.  
during these times.

### Looking ahead:

#### **February**

23<sup>rd</sup> – Swimming Gala for selected children  
26<sup>th</sup> – Gofs Admissions Committee  
Year 3 start swimming  
29<sup>th</sup> – Phonics Screening Workshop for Year 1 parents (15.30-16.00)

#### **March**

6<sup>th</sup> – World Book Day for our school (not the 7<sup>th</sup> due to Gymnastics)  
7<sup>th</sup> - Year 5 Egyptian Workop in School  
6-8<sup>th</sup> FOSAS Mother's Day Sale afterschool

#### Science Fair

11<sup>th</sup> Y1 13.05 – 14.05 & Y5 14.00 -15.00  
12<sup>th</sup> Y3 & Reception 14.00-15.00  
14<sup>th</sup> Y2 13.15 – 14.15  
15<sup>th</sup> Y4 & 6 14.00 – 15.00  
13<sup>th</sup> – Science Fair Bring Science Projects into school – Celebration Assembly  
14<sup>th</sup> – Y1 Class Assembly 14.45  
County Final Sports Hall Athletics  
14<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Travelling Book Fair  
15<sup>th</sup> – FOSAS Rock and Roll Bingo  
18<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Parents SATS Information Evening 17.00pm  
19<sup>th</sup> – Science workshops for whole school  
19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Bikeability for Y3  
21<sup>st</sup> – Y2 Class Assembly 14.45  
22<sup>nd</sup> – Y6 DaArt Graduation 14.30pm – parents welcome  
28<sup>th</sup> – End of term service 2pm in the Church

**April**

15th – Return to school

26th – Rugby Megafest – Y3/4

**May**

**13th – SATS for Year 6 all week**

27th – 31st Half term

Notts County Council publish the school holiday patterns for forthcoming years –  
take a look on the County Council website