



St Anne's C of E (Aided) Primary School

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To develop the whole child; spiritually, mentally and physically in a caring, Christian environment through close links to Church and community.

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Dear Parents/Carers and Year 2 children,

Happy New Year! We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and are refreshed and ready for learning. This letter aims to tell you about some of our class routines.

Daily / Weekly Routines:

- From 8:45am each morning a member of staff is on duty out in the playground. The whistle will be blown for the children to line up and children will be taken into their classes by their class teacher. The bell will sound at 8:50am to signal the start of the day.
- Once inside the classroom, the children should quickly sort out their belongings before settling down to take the register.
- The children will attend a daily worship in the school hall or at church.
- Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday. Therefore, on these days children should come to school wearing shorts, a blue St. Anne's t-shirt (no football shirts please) and pumps or trainers. In cooler weather, please provide your child with a navy/black tracksuit (no logos) for outdoor PE. *See website for details.*
- If your child likes playing on the field, please can they bring another pair of shoes.

Please note that for health and safety reasons children must remove all jewellery for PE sessions. This includes stud earrings so it is advisable for your child to avoid wearing earrings to school on PE days. Long hair must be tied back.

Personal Belongings:

- The children will need to bring a filled water bottle each day that goes home to be washed each day (juice drink is only allowed at lunchtime). Please ensure that water bottles are labelled with your child's name.
- A healthy snack can be brought for break time but a fruit snack is always provided by school. No nuts – we are a nut free school.
- Please ensure that **all items of clothing are named** including PE kits and jumpers/cardigans.
- Reading book and reading record will be needed in school every day. They will be used within the classroom for daily reading and will have their usernames and passwords in them.
- It is essential you complete daily reading at home to support your child with their learning.
- Books will be changed every Friday.

All other equipment will be provided by school so please do not send your child in with any extra items from home such as pencil cases.

Reading

- At St Anne's, we really value the power of reading and how reading will help them to 'magpie' new vocabulary, figurative language and story ideas, to become a confident and skilled writer. All children will be issued with a reading record, where all their home reading should be recorded. These will be checked every Friday and for children who complete all their reads will be a remarkable reader.

A remarkable reader is a child who reads at least **4 times a week at home** (signed by an adult) to get a stamp in their reading record. After every 5 stamps, children will receive a remarkable reader prize.

Year 2 – Spring Term
Topic this term: - Mining

Focus text/book	George and the Dragon	
Main Focus	Narrative, Writing to inform, Writing to entertain	
Visits / Visitors	National Coal Mining Museum	
English	Story Openers, Non-chronological reports, poetry	
Maths	Shape, money, multiplication and division, length and height, mass, capacity, and temperature.	
Science	Plants Living things and their habitats	
History	Mining	
Geography	Location of coalfields in the UK	
Computing	Spring 1 –Programming A – Robot Algorithms Spring 2 – Data and Information – Pictograms	
PE	Target games, dance, gymnastics	
Music	Unit 2.2 What a performance 2: Off to the Moon	
RE	Forgiveness	Acceptance
	What do Jewish people believe about God, Creation, Humanity and the natural world? (2.2) Who made the world? (1.2)	What does Easter mean to Christians? (Salvation) Easter Pilgrimage
PSHE	Being me in my world	Celebrating difference
DT& Art	Painting- Monet DT- Mechanisms – Design, make and evaluate a moving vehicle (Coal cart)	

Key dates Spring Term:

- Friday 6th February- Number Day
- Week Commencing 9th February- Children's Mental Health Week
- Tuesday 10th February- Safer Internet Day and Parents Evening (3.20pm–6.30pm)
- Wednesday 11th February- Parents Evening (3.20–5.30pm)
- Friday 13th February- INSET DAY
- Week Commencing 16th February- HALF TERM
- Thursday 5th March- Year 2 Class Assembly (2.45pm)
- Week Commencing 9th March- Science Week

- Thursday 12th March- Year 1 and 2 library visit

Key dates to look out for this half term for year 2:

- Wednesday 4th February -National Coal Mining Museum

Your Sincerely,

Miss McDonald & Mrs Stocks