

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



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

2nd September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a lovely two days catching up with the children who have shared some of their 'summer stories' with me. The staff have shared that the children have had a positive two days, settling into their new classes, familiarising themselves with the routines and expectations for the year ahead.

A very warm welcome to all of our new children who have joined our St Anne's family. We hope the journey with us will enable your child to grow into a caring and successful individual who is ready to tackle anything that comes their way. A warm welcome to Mr Flockhart in Class 5, Miss Marshall in Class 5 and Miss Howarth in Class 1.

Contact Details

If you've changed your contact details over the summer holiday, please let us know as soon as possible. Likewise, if there is a change in who will pick up your child it is important for us to know. Emergency contacts need to be kept up to date too. The school's main email contact is office@st-annes.notts.sch.uk.

Lunches

School dinners cost £2.40 per day for those who need to pay. All dinners must be paid for on the day or in advance via the online parentpay system. If you don't have an account, please let the office know and they will help you.

Children in Reception and Year 1 and 2 get free school meals - Universal Infant Free School Meals (UISFM). **For children in Year 3** upwards you can apply for free school meals (FSM) if you think you are eligible.

Universal Infant Free School Meals shouldn't be confused with the FSM benefit – your child may be entitled to this, particularly if your circumstances have changed in recent months. If you are not sure it's worth applying as for **every FSM child** the school gets additional funds to spend on your child. Check the following link:

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-milk>

If you know your child is going to be late to school, please inform the office of their lunch choice before 9.15am otherwise you may need to provide a packed lunch. Additionally, if your child has ordered a cooked meal and your child leaves later in the morning there will be a charge for the meal.

If your child has any special dietary needs (e.g. No dairy, no soya) then please contact the office and we can arrange with NCC Catering and Mrs Dunncliff a menu catered to your child's needs.

IMPORTANT – ALLERGIES IN SCHOOL

We are a nut-free school, please do not send your child with any nut related product to ensure the safety of all. Likewise, in Reception, Year 1 and 2 we ask that children do not bring carrots for snacks due to an allergy in school.

PE Days

A lesson learned from COVID...we found that children attending school on PE days in PE kit reduced 'lost learning time'. Therefore, on your child's PE day, they are allowed to attend school in their '**school**' PE Kit. The PE kit consists of blue/black shorts, St Anne's PE top or plain white t-shirt. School sweatshirt on top with appropriate footwear eg, trainers.

Safeguarding

Unfortunately, we live in a world where things go wrong. If we have a safeguarding concern about your child, we will speak to you. Please do not be offended by this. The safety of your child is extremely important to all of us here at St Anne's.

Important Attendance Update

Attendance is mandatory, meaning that all children of school age have to come to school. We will need to have a reason for all absences. If there are regular absences, we may require medical evidence but we will write to you about this.

Holiday Absence Requests

Please be aware that all requests for holiday leave will be unauthorised and may lead to a fixed penalty notice.

Medication

We ask parents to administer as much medicine as they can at home. If you wish us to administer medicine to your child, please complete a medication form which is available from the front office. Just ask a staff member for a copy of the form.

FOSAS

As you are all aware our 'PTA' group 'Friends of St Anne's' works extremely hard to enhance the experiences for your child whilst at St Anne's. Their fundraising subsidises the cost of school trips, supports resourcing in school as well as many other things. Mrs Beard has stepped down as Chair and we thank her for her commitment and dedication to the role over a very lengthy period. The committee remain dedicated to their roles and are keen for the group to go from strength to strength – if you think you would be interested in the 'chairing' role or becoming an active member we would love to hear from you.

Finally, if your child is in Year 6 and you are encouraging them to walk to school on their own without an adult, please put this in writing for the attention of the office so that we are aware and ensure the safety of all.

I do hope you have a lovely weekend and as always please contact me if you have any question or concern – looking forward to the term ahead.

Kind regards,

Mrs Middleton & the St Anne's Staff Team

Menu for 5th September

Mon – Sausage Roll & Apple Crumble & Custard

Tues – Jkt potato with cheese/beans/both & Chocolate Cookie

Wednesday – Pasta/Meatballs/Garlic bread & Muffin

Thursday – Sausage Dinner & Flapjack

Friday – Jumbo Fishfinger wrap & Butterscotch tart

Diary Dates

September

5th – Reception in full time

7th – St Anne's Connect recommences 3.30pm

8th - Tour of Britain approx. 2.40 Sparken Hill/Market Square

12th – Monster Phonics Launch

15th – Travelling Book Fair arrives

23rd- Macmillan Coffee morning – 9am – Church Hall

27th- Parents Evening

28th- Parents Evening

October

3rd Inset Day

5th – Individual Photos

Harvest Festival in Church 2pm (All Welcome)

7th- Red card to Racism – wear red day

10th-Year 6 to Caythorpe

14th Half term

31st Flu Vaccination catch up

November

11th Remembrance – service 10.45am (All welcome)

18th Children in Need

December

9th Santa Dash

12th Ryton Chorale concert

14th Year 3 trip

21st 2pm End of term service