

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 13th September 2024

Dear Parents & Carers,

A busy week here at St Anne's as children settle into the routines of their new classes. This week we have welcomed back 'Emma' to teach gymnastics, Mrs Hammond, Mr Bottley and Alex to deliver the wealth of music opportunities in school as well as 'Sue' our School Counsellor. Year 4 have begun their swimming lessons; some lunchtime clubs have begun, with more to follow, and today we have celebrated 'Roald Dahl Day'.

Roald Dahl Story Day is an annual global celebration of Roald Dahl's marvellous stories, characters and worlds, from Matilda to Charlie and The Chocolate Factory. Today, staff have spent time in other classes sharing extracts from his variety of texts. Did you know this about Roald Dahl.....

Fun Facts:

- Roald Dahl invented over 500 new words including scumdidlyumptious and snozzcumpers!
- James and the Giant Peach was almost called James and the Giant Cherry.
- Roald Dahl worked for the Royal Air Force & MI6 as a spy! He went on to write the film storyline for the fifth James Bond film, You Only Live Twice.

'**Travelling Book Fair**' will be with us from **the 26th of September** for a week. Take a look at the array of books available on their website under the parent's tab – <https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/travelling-books/parents>. You can purchase pre-paid gift vouchers, as well as pay securely at www.travellingbooks.co.uk/pay. Children can create a wish list too. The fair will be available each morning/after school in the main lobby of school. Please note that this is a cashless event.

Advance Notice

It has become an annual event, and once again we will be hosting a **Macmillan Coffee Afternoon on the 26th of September** - if you can help with any baking, please let us know (ingredients for allergens will need to be listed). This is an opportunity for adults/parents/grandparents to come together in the hall for a cup of tea and a piece of cake in support of a worthy charity.

After School Club

The club runs every day until 5.30pm. Booking closes on a Thursday at 4pm for the following week. We ask that sessions are booked and paid for in advance. For those

that use the 'voucher' scheme, we ask that you inform the office of the sessions you require for the following week, as there is a natural delay between the systems.

Activities Theme:

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Story craft | Obstacle Course | Connect Board Games | Pirate day and Craft | Portrait Painting |

Staff Vacancies

We have a vacancy for a 'supply' lunch time supervisor. This would be a position which would be 'ad hoc' to cover any absence. If you are interested, please pop into the school office and have a word with Miss Fenton, Office Manager.

Learning News from the Classes

Reception

Class Reception have had a fantastic start to their time at St Anne's, and have impressed all the adults around school with how well they have settled in. This week they listened to the story 'It's Ok to Be Different' and were introduced to our PSHE characters, Jennie and Jerry the Cat. They have taken part in lots of circle time activities to share more information about themselves. Well done on your first full week Class Reception.

Class One

This week, Class 1 have been getting used to their new classroom, exploring the different areas and discovering new things they enjoy doing. They enjoyed their PE lessons this week, where they developed their throwing and catching skills, and their balancing skills. They were interested in their Geography topic, finding out more about their local area and how it is used.

Class Two

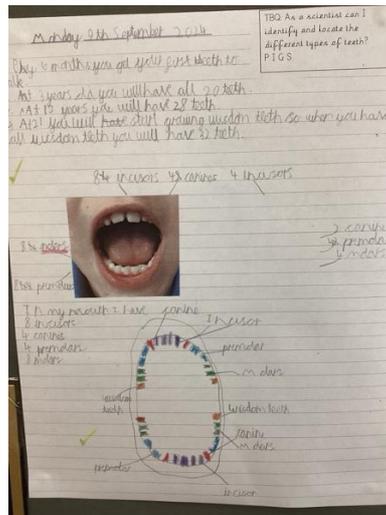
Class 2 have started their Titanic topic and the children have already collected a wealth of knowledge. In English, they are using knowledge from their history topic to write a recount. The children have begun to learn the cursive style of writing and Miss Broughton is impressed with their progress!

Class Three

What an incredible start to Year 3! The children have been so grown up and taken the move to KS2 in their stride. This week, the children have been exploring the Autumn topic of the 'Stone Age'. They looked at the different times and what life was like. In English, the children have been doing some independent writing showing off their expanded noun phrases. In Maths, they have been working on place value up to 1000. The children were great in science discovering and explaining the different food groups in our diet. So much to learn this year!

Class Four

Year 4 have made an excellent start to the school year. They have particularly enjoyed the beginning of their science unit on animals, including humans where they have been learning about the different types of teeth. Year 4 used a piece of polystyrene plate to make an imprint of their own teeth before identifying the types of teeth they have and how many teeth they have. They then created a scientific drawing to show the teeth in an adult mouth. In geography, they have located the countries and capital cities of South America using an atlas. On Monday, year 4 started their block of swimming, working hard on their stroke technique. In whole class reading they have started their class text 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory', they used the front cover and blurb to make their prediction about the text.



Class Five

It has been a busy week of learning in Class 5 where the children have begun to deepen their knowledge of the Mars rover's journey to our neighbouring planet. They relished the opportunity to ask questions and share their understanding with others in their English lessons and they are beginning to write explanation texts through using the non-fiction book 'Curiosity'.

In maths, the children are working through place value and are beginning to draw upon previously taught skills.

In RE, the children have been considering 'Codes of Living'. Discussing the meaning of values, moral dilemmas, consequences, and justice. In PE, the children have been working on communication through a range of trust activities and took part in their first netball lesson where they learnt the technique of a chest pass.

Class Six

In Year six this week children have started to read 'Letters from the lighthouse' and complete descriptions using ambitious vocabulary. They have also loved spending time with their buddies in Reception Class, and really showed them understanding and kindness. Children have also begun their electricity topic in science and made their

own visual timelines in history, of key events from WWII. Class 6 have embraced their new roles and have impressed staff around school as they fulfil their responsibilities. During maths sessions, the year 6 pupils have excelled, as they have learnt their place value unit. Also, great insightful conversations were had, during our first RE lesson. What an amazing start to year 6.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week this week

Class Reception – Well done to all, a great start!

Class One – Ramos & Beatrix

Class Two – George & Jed

Class Three – Ella

Class Four – Troy

Class Five – Harriet B

Class Six – Rosie

Lunch time Stars:

Darcie (6) for all her support with some of the new starters.

A big thank you to all our Year 6 Buddies – the reception children are loving having you around.

Tidiest Classroom Award:

Class 4

Out of School Achievements:

Emily (4) – 1 mile swimming award

Ruby (5) – Level 6 swimming award and 100m swimming badge.

Daniel (2) – New belt grading and we had a demonstration of his martial arts skills.

Well done to those children who came forward for taking part in the 'Summer Reading Challenge' – Rowan (1), Archie (1), Dominic (2), Lily (2), Laurel (3), Edan (3), Dana (3), Ellie (3), Connie (3), Catherine (3), Annie (4), Cassie (4), Harri (4), Ollie (5), Ava (5), Jacob (5), Mia (6).

Church Services

Sunday 15th September

9.00am Holy Communion

10.15ish Service for All Ages

6.00pm Informal Service of Worship & Word

Wednesday 18th September

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)

Friday 20th September

3.00pm -5.00pm St Anne's Drop In - in the church hall for Y4 upwards. Crafts, games, tuck and video games. A time to till out after school at the end of the week. All welcome.

2024 -2025 Attendance

| Class | Attendance |
|-------|-----------------|
| R | 94.2% |
| 1 | 99.8% |
| 2 | 94.9% |
| 3 | 94.9% |
| 4 | 96.3% |
| 5 | 98.12% |
| 6 | 87.6% ALL 95.4% |

Prayer from Lewis and Violet in Year 6

Dear God, help us to persevere through challenges that rise upon us. Amen

Dear God, help us to learn that in life we will face challenges and different emotions. Please support us. Amen

With our best wishes,

Mrs Middleton & the St Anne's Team

Diary Dates

INSET DAYS 2024- 25

2nd September 2024
 27th September 2024
 20th January 2024
 28th July 2024
 29th July 2024

Key Statutory Weeks (Assessment)

Year 6 SATS – 12th May -all week
 Class 1 Phonics - 9th June week
 Statutory Multiplication Check -2nd to 13th
 June – Year 4
 Please ensure your children are in school during these times.

| Looking Ahead | | |
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| | 13 | Roald Dahl Day |
| | 16 | Governor's Admission Meeting |
| | 17 | Accelerated Reader Meeting' for Year 3 parents 2.45pm |
| | 24 | Height and Weight Measure – Reception and Year 6 |
| | 25 | Flu Vaccinations |
| | 26 | McMillan Coffee Afternoon – School Hall 2pm Travelling Book Fair Arrives |
| | 27 | INSET |
| | 30 | Phonics Workshop for Reception Parents 2.45pm Meeting for Year 5 Parents re: Residential 3.30pm and 5pm |
| October | 1 | Individual photos 2pm Harvest Festival Service in Church 2pm – All welcome. |
| | 4 | Red card to Racism – Wear red day |
| | 7 | Year 6 - Level 2 Bikeability – more information to follow |
| | 8-9 | Parents Evenings |
| | 11 | Year 6 National Holocaust Centre |
| | 14 | Year 5 Residential to Hathersage |
| | 15 | Governor's Strategic Development Meeting |
| | 17 | Balance bikes – reception Year 4 to Perlethorpe |
| | 18 | Last day before half term |
| | 21-1 | HALF TERM |
| November | 4 | Return to school |
| | 7 | Year 1 Emergency Services visit |
| | 11 | Remembrance – service 10.45 tbc Anti-bullying Week Year 6 Residential |
| | 12 | Class 5 trip to Perlethorpe |
| | 14 | Governor's Finance Committee |
| | 15 | Children in Need Day |

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| | 18 | Parent Workshop - Maths! |
| | 20 | Year 3 to Creswell Craggs 6pm Full governors |
| | 21 | Class 6 Class Assembly 2.45pm |
| | 27 | Reception & Year 1 to Perlethorpe Nativity |
| December | 5 | Class 4 Assembly 2.45pm Year 3 Jingle Jog |
| | 18 | Christmas Dinner Day |
| | 20 | End of term Service 2pm |

Keep checking the dates, as we will add to them as the term goes on and there will be more information to follow about certain events.