



St Ann's Church of England Primary School



Together, we aim high; with God's love, we can fly!

Value of the Half Term

Forgiveness

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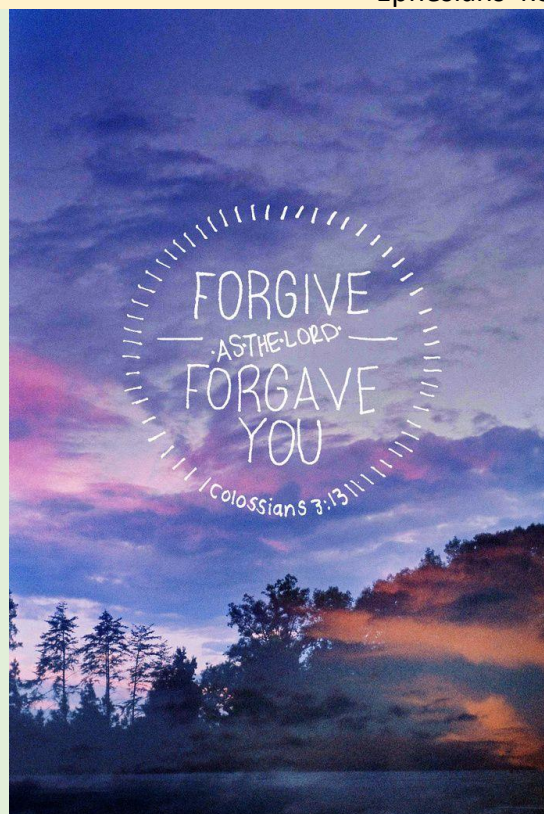
Friday 28 March 2025

Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Ephesians 4:31-32

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ST ANN'S WISHES A HAPPY RETIREMENT TO MR SHAWBINNS!



We would like to take a moment to celebrate Mr. Shaw-Binns, our dedicated site manager, as he embarks on a well-deserved retirement after over 10 years of exceptional service at St Ann's CE Primary School. His unwavering commitment to maintaining our school premises has ensured a clean and safe environment for our children, staff, and families. Mr. Shaw-Binns has played a vital role in creating a welcoming atmosphere that has greatly contributed to our school community. We wish him a long, happy, and healthy retirement filled with new adventures and joy!

KIDS GET THEIR SUPER POWERS BY
**ATTENDING SCHOOL
 EVERY DAY** ⚡

BE AN ATTENDANCE
SUPERHERO!

Whole school attendance year to date <i>Whole School target 96%</i>	96.69%
Whole school attendance week ending 21st March 2025	97.74%
Class with best weekly attendance	3D – 99.67%

Attendance Expectations

Children are expected to be in school **every day** unless they are unwell. All other reasons will be unauthorised. If your child is going to be absent, contact school and let us know before 9.25am. Children not in school may receive a phone call home or home visit. In line with our Attendance Policy, we are committed to supporting families in improving their child's attendance, before taking legal action.

#EveryMomentMatters

**Number of pupils
 with 100% attendance
 this week**

360



Punctuality

School gates open at **8.40am**
 School gates close at **8.50am**
 School starts at **8.55am**

Children arriving after 8.50am will need to use the main entrance. Children who enter school via the main entrance will be registered as late. Regularly missing the beginning of lessons has a negative impact on a child's progress and wellbeing.



Y4 COMMUNION

On Thursday 3 April Y4 will attend the Communion Service at St Ann's Church @ 9.30am.

Everyone welcome!

Y5 EASTER SERVICE

We are looking forward to Y5's Easter Service on **Friday 4 April @ 2.15pm** at **St Ann's Church**.



Everyone is welcome!

BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair will take place between Monday 31st March and Thursday 4th April. Books range in price from £2 to £15. Reception, Y1 and Y2 will attend on Monday 31st March, Y3 and Y4 will attend on Tuesday 1st April and Y5 and Y6 will attend on Wednesday 2nd April. Children should bring money for the event in a named envelope and pass this to their class teacher.

On Thursday 4th April, the remaining books will be on sale for children who have missed the opportunity to buy one.

In previous years, your generous purchases have not only provided children with new reading experiences at home but have generated significant funds for school to purchase additional books for our class libraries.



We hope you're able to support the event again.

ST GEORGE'S DAY



On St. George's Day, **Wednesday, April 23rd**, children who are members of the Scouting movement are invited to wear their Scouting uniforms to school.

Only the following uniforms are permitted: Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts. No other club uniforms are permitted.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Y4 PGL TO BOREATTON PARK



We are excited for our first-ever Year 4 trip to PGL at Boreatton Park on **Wednesday, 23rd April!** The children will take part in a range of fun and adventurous activities, building confidence and teamwork along the way.

We recently held a parent workshop about the trip—if you missed it or have any questions, please contact your child’s class teacher.

2025/26 TERM DATES

	Open On	Close On
Autumn 2025	Wednesday 3 September 2025	Friday 24 October 2025
	Monday 3 November 2025	Friday 19 December 2025
Spring 2026	Monday 5 January 2026	Friday 13 February 2026
	Monday 23 February 2026	Friday 27 March 2026
Summer 2026	Monday 13 April 2026	Thursday 21 May 2026
	Monday 1 June 2026	Friday 17 July 2026

Easter Bank Holidays:

Good Friday: 3 April 2026

Easter Monday: 6 April

Bank Holidays during term time:

Monday 4 May 2026

Inset Days:

1 September 2025

2 September 2025

21 November 2025

22 May 2026

20 July 2026

EASTER BINGO



On **Tuesday 1 April** we are holding our family Easter Bingo sessions to raise money for school fund! This was a hugely successful event last year and we are looking forward to running

it again this year. The event is ticketed due to space restrictions in our hall. All ordered tickets have been sent home this week. The 3 sessions will be held at 3.30pm, 4.45pm, 6.00pm. Each session will last no longer than 1 hour. Bring plenty of spare change along as there will be refreshments, a raffle and tombola and you may wish to purchase extra bingo cards. Please refer to separate letter for finer details.

ST ANN'S HAS GOT TALENT

We are so excited for our annual Talent Show on Monday, we are sure it will be an amazing evening.

All tickets purchased have been sent home and a letter confirming arrangements was emailed earlier this week. If your child is taking part and you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the Office.



School closes on
Friday 4 April.

School re-opens on
Tuesday 22 April.



RECOMMENDED READS

Malamander

By Thomas Taylor

Recommended for 8-10 year olds



What Miss Foster said about this book: I love this book because it blends mystery, adventure and a touch of the supernatural in a way that kept me hooked from start to finish. The setting is atmospheric and richly detailed, making the world feel both eerie and enchanting. The characters, Herbie Lemon and Violet Parma, are quirky and endearing, each with their own secrets that unravel in unexpected ways.. It is the start of a 5 part series and I am currently working my way through each of the 5 books! I LOVED it!

What Miss Dean said about this book: This is my favourite children's book because the opening pages are packed with intrigue and suspense. In the book, you are pulled into the world of Erie-on-Sea where nothing is as it seems. As the adventure unfolds, a brilliant friendship develops, showing how working together can help solve even the trickiest of mysteries!

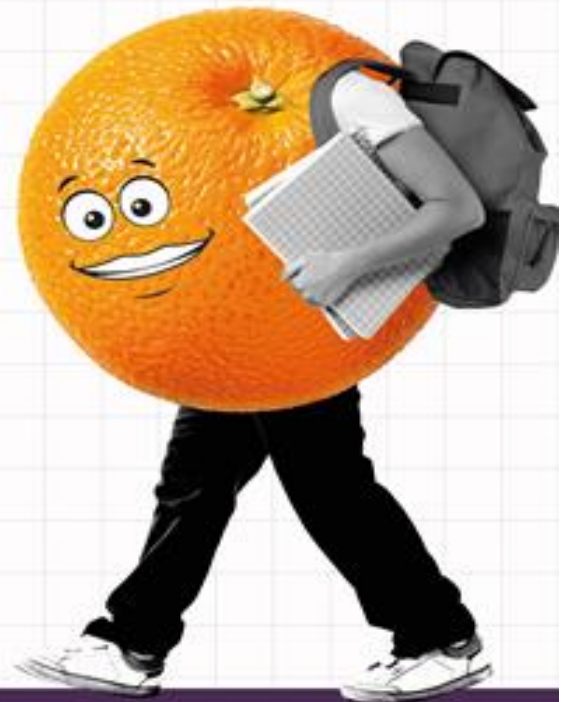
Happy reading! Miss Foster & Miss Dean 😊



CENSUS DAY

Dine with us...

Thursday 15th May



Main

Build a Burger

Choice of

Cheese, gherkin, tomato sauce

Served with wedge potatoes, beans, peas, sweetcorn or salad

Vegetable burger

Served with wedges, beans, peas and sweetcorn or salad

Dessert

Choice of

Ice cream or

Cookie or

Yoghurt or

Fresh fruit

A SPOTLIGHT ON: PARENT FORUM



At St Ann's, we are proud to have a Parent Forum that serves as an essential channel of communication between home and school.

Purpose and Function

The Parent Forum meets regularly to celebrate the achievements of our school and to provide valuable parental perspectives on various agenda items.

- **Meeting Frequency:** The forum convenes once per term, ensuring that discussions are timely and relevant.
- **Support from Leadership:** Meetings are supported by the school's senior leadership team, fostering a collaborative environment.
- **Documentation:** Minutes from each meeting are posted on the school website, and at the end of the academic year, an impact report is produced and also made available online.

Representation

Parents can nominate themselves to serve as their child's Class Representative. In the event that multiple parents or carers express interest in representing a particular class, a random selection process will be employed to choose a representative from those who have not previously held the role. Parents or carers who have served in the position before may be eligible to represent again, provided there are no other candidates interested.

Agenda Items

The Parent Forum discusses a variety of important topics, including:

- Review of school aims
- Review school inclusion policy statement
- Parent Insight Sessions
- Homework and school applications
- Promotion of online safety
- Analysis of parent and pupil surveys
- Pupil mental health and wellbeing
- School Hardship Fund
- Cultural and curriculum visits
- School policies
- Fund raising



This structured approach ensures that the voices of parents are heard and that they play an active role in shaping the educational experience at St Ann's.

*Our next Parent Forum session for our Reps will take place on **Wednesday 30 April at 2pm**. Please speak to your child's Class Parent Rep should wish for anything to be raised at the meeting. We look forward to seeing our Reps then.*

SAFEGUARDING TOP TIP #22

Childhood trauma, the brain and social world



For many of us, the COVID-19 pandemic confirmed what we already intuitively knew: social relationships are key to our mental health and wellbeing.

This is true for everyone, not just people who have had experiences of complex trauma in childhood, such as abuse. However, these experiences and their impact on the brain make it more likely that a child will grow up in a more stressful and lonelier social world.

Children who have experienced abuse and neglect have already experienced significant social stress in childhood. However, these children continue to have more stressful social experiences than their peers, even into adulthood. For example:

- In childhood and adolescence, they are more likely to be victimised or bullied by their classmates.
- In adulthood, they are more likely to experience conflict and violence in their friendships or romantic relationships.

Research suggests that individuals with a history of maltreatment have differences in the quality and quantity of relationships in their social network. For example:

- In childhood, they have fewer social contacts and fewer friends their age
 - Adults with a history of maltreatment report less social support from family and friends
 - Adults with a history of maltreatment are more likely to experience loneliness and social isolation.
- In other words, the potential network of social relationships diminishes over time.

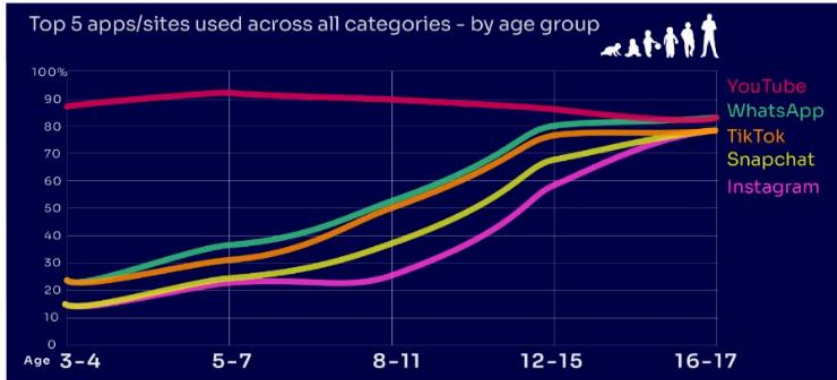
For further information please visit

<https://uktraumacouncil.link/documents/ChildhoodTraumathBrainSocialWorldv1.0.pdf>



Are you **FAMILIAR WITH THE APPS** and **GAMES** your child is on?

YouTube is the most popular, but the appeal of many social media platforms varies by age



- under two in ten of all 3-4-year-olds use **Instagram** and/or **Snapchat**
- this rises to eight in ten among 16-17s

- under a quarter of all 3-4-year-olds use **WhatsApp**
- this rises to over eight in ten of all 16-17-year-olds



Go to apps.lgfl.net for guidance on apps and social media sites

Source: Children and parents: media use and attitudes report 2024

Stay safe online



Don't share private information

Be careful what you post online

If you are worried tell a trusted adult



ATTENDANCE REWARD RAFFLE

At St Ann's we are relentless in our focus on attendance because we want the best for our pupils. The research speaks for itself, children with strong levels of attendance, fulfil their full potential and develop the skills and personal qualities required for a happy and fulfilled life.

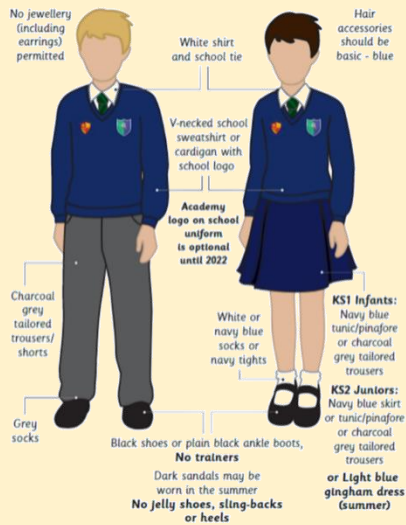
Prize £50 Amazon Voucher

All children with **96%+ attendance**, and who have not taken a holiday during term time, by Friday 23 May will be entered into our first ever Attendance Raffle. **GOOD LUCK** 😊



GENERAL INFORMATION/WEEKLY REMINDERS

SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDERS



**Please note, it is not compulsory to wear items of clothing with the school and Trust logos on. Children may wear plain navy-blue items of school uniform.*

SCHOOL SHOES REMINDER



INDIVIDUAL HEALTH CARE PLANS

If you have notified school that your child has a medical condition that requires an Individual Health Care Plan please ensure that if there are any changes to their condition a new form is completed.

If your child has a newly diagnosed condition that requires an Individual Health Care Plan please contact the school office to arrange for a form to be completed.

TOAST

The deadline for toast for this half term has now passed. Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for details of the payments required for future half terms.

CONTACT DETAILS, CONSENT & PERMISSIONS

On a regular basis please check your contact details, consent and permissions on Arbor to make sure they are up to date for your child.

Thank you

MELLOR'S SCHOOL MEAL MENU

For a copy of Mellor's most up to date school meals menu, please check out our website by clicking on the following link: <https://www.rainhillstanns.co.uk/page/?title=School+Dinner+Menu&pid=46>

Please note, the menu is subject to change where there is a shortage of supplies.

TERM DATES 2024-25

Term	Open on	Close on
Autumn Term 2024	4 th September 2024	25 th October 2024
	4 th November 2024	20 th December 2024
Spring Term 2025	6 th January 2025	14 th February 2025
	24 th February 2025	4 th April 2025
Summer Term 2025	22 nd April 2025	23 rd May 2025
	4 th June 2025	22 nd July 2025

PURCHASING SCHOOL ITEMS

If you wish to purchase a school item this can now be done through Arbor. If you make a purchase please email the school office at stannsce@three-saints.org.uk so that arrangements can be made to issue the item. Current prices are as follows:

School Bag £10.00
Junior Tie £4.00
Elasticated Tie £3.50
Children's University Passport £5.00
Replacement Home School Diary £5.00

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*'But those who trust in the Lord, they will find new strength.
 They will soar high on wings like eagles' Isaiah 40:31*

Parents' Suggestion/Comment Slip**DATES FOR DIARY JANUARY -APRIL 2025**

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Monday	31 st March 2025	St Ann's Has Got Talent
Monday - Thursday	31 st March – 4 th April 2025	Book Fair
Tuesday	1 st April 2025	Easter Bingo
Thursday	3 rd April 2025	Y4 Communion 9.30-10.30am @Church
Friday	4 th April 2025	Children's University Passport Bank
Friday	4 th April 2025	Y5 Easter Service 2.15-3.00pm @ Church
Friday	4th April 2025	School Closes

TOAST

If you would like your child to have Toast every half term please see below for the amount due each half term and the date the amount is required by. Payments should be made to your Arbor Toast account. Payments can be made in advance of these dates if you wish and the credit will be used once the due date arrives.

	Amount Due	Date Toast Account to be in credit by
Autumn 1	£9.50	Midday 16th July 2024
Autumn 2	£8.50	Midday 15th October 2024
Spring 1	£7.50	Midday 17th December 2024
Spring 2	£7.50	Midday 7th February 2025
Summer 1	£6.00	Midday 26th March 2025
Summer 2	£8.75	Midday 20th May 2025

Total for year £47.75



Easter at St Ann's



HOLY WEEK



Sunday 13th April

8:30am BCP Communion

10:30am Communion



Service for Palm Sunday with Platform 2 meeting in St Anns Centre



Tuesday 15th 7.30pm Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 16th 7.30pm SHAPE Course

We conclude the course with a final session and communion.

Thursday 17th 9.30am Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion with foot washing

Good Friday 18th April

10am Walk of Witness from St Bart's

10.30am Ecumenical Service at St James'

2pm Last Hour at the Cross at St Anns



20th April Easter Day

6am Sunrise Service at the Dream

8:30am BCP Communion

10:30am Easter Day

Celebration Service

