



St Ann's Church of England

Primary School



Always our best for God, each other and ourselves. Together, we aim high; with God's love, we can fly!

Value of the Half Term

Friendship

Newsletter Issue 10

Friday 20th November 2020

My commandment is this: love one another, just as I love you.

John 15:12

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ASSESSMENT WEEK

Week commencing **Monday 23rd November** is Assessment Week for the entire school. This is an opportunity for the teachers to assess the children's progress and attainment. The outcome of assessment week will be fed back to parents/carers at Mentoring Conversations. As always, we would encourage the children to get plenty of rest, with early nights and carefully monitored tech. time so that they can really show off their true potential during the week.

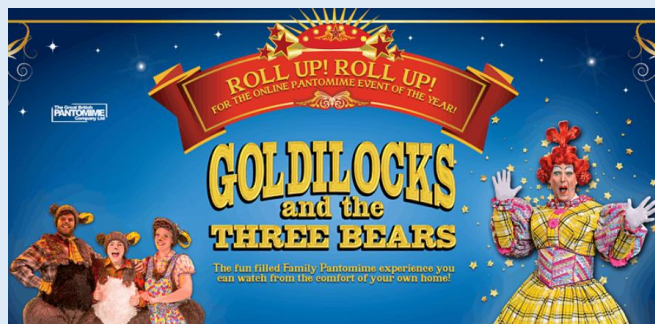
YEAR 2 PHONICS SCREENING CHECK

Week commencing **Monday 30th November** all Year 2, and pupils in Year 3 who did not achieve the pass mark when they were in Y1 will take part in the national Phonics Screening Check. Please refer to separate letter for further details. Children's scores will be shared at pupil mentoring conversations and reported formally in the children's end of year reports. Prior to the week, please refer to the separate letter about how you can continue to support your child in preparation for this.

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS

As we have not been able to take the children out of school on any visits so far this year, we are delighted to share with you that we have managed to book an online Panto for the whole school to watch on 14th December. This has been generously funded by **RAINHILL ROTARY**.

HUGE THANKS TO RAINHILL ROTARY WHO WANTED TO MAKE CHRISTMAS SPECIAL FOR THE CHILDREN THIS YEAR.



ALLOTMENT DAYS

This half term's allotment days will take place as follows. Children should wear their **full outdoor PE kit and a warm waterproof coat**. If children do not have **wellies** or other suitable outdoor shoes in school already, they should also bring these in, along with a pair of **gardening gloves**. Children do not need to bring in their own gardening tools.

EYA	26.11.20
EYR	25.11.20
2B	1.12.20
2T	30.11.20
4F	27.11.20
4P	26.11.20
5H	24.11.20
6O	2.12.20
6P	3.12.20

ROAD SAFETY ASSEMBLY

On Monday 23rd November children across the school will watch a Road Safety assembly all about keeping safe when out and about on the roads.



FAMILY WORSHIP

Due to current restrictions all family worships will take place online. Worships will be placed on our YouTube channel on the day of your child's family worship and left on for a week, after which the video will be removed. You can access family worships via the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLSTkt03NB4yLZBXodtNAg>

5H's Family Worship was released on YouTube today and will be removed on Friday 27th November

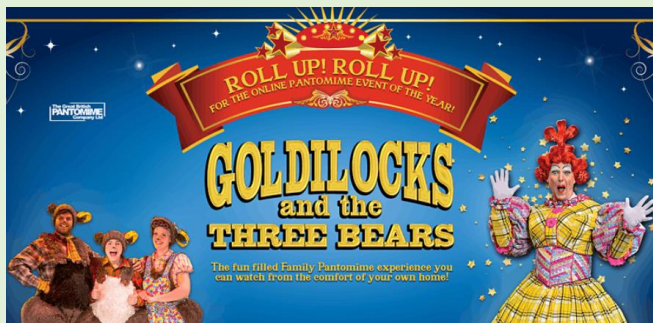
CHRISTMAS JUMPER & WACKY HAIR DAY

For a £1 voluntary donation, on **Wednesday 16th December** children may come into school wearing their **own clothes, a Christmas jumper and wacky hair!** All donations should be made on parent pay and will go to the Friends Association who will decide how to use funds raised to support our school.



SANTA DASH

On Friday 11th December 2020 we will be adding an extra spring to our step by taking part in a nationwide, virtual 'Santa Dash'. Each class will complete their 'dash' at an allotted time throughout the day with their class teacher. We ask that, if possible, children can wear festive outfits for the day to give it an extra special Christmas feel after the difficult year that we have had. Festive outfits can be as simple as hats, jumpers, or full costumes - even the littlest of things can make a huge difference. If children choose not to wear festive clothing, they should come into school in school uniform. Finally, we would also suggest that your child brings a pair of wellies or spare pair of old shoes into school that day, just in case their 'Santa Dash' happens on the field.



MENTORING CONVERSATIONS: WEEK COMMENCING 14th DECEMBER

This year Mentoring Conversations will take place week commencing Monday 14th December over the video conferencing application Zoom. This week parents/carers will have received a letter introducing them to the Mentoring Conversation. Parents/carers should book an appointment via the Arbor application from 8am on Friday 6th November. Please refer to the separate letter about using Arbor when booking Mentoring Conversation slots which was emailed to you before the ½ term. If you have any issues booking an appointment, please contact the office in the usual way.

MENTAL HEALTH

Able Futures is able to offer bespoke Mental Health support for adults who meet their criteria.

Individuals can self-refer. It is no cost and funded by the Department for Work and Pensions. This is available for staff and parents if they meet criteria.

<https://able-futures.co.uk/mental-health-support-for-individuals>

TOWN TROOPERS

Leading up to Christmas, the Town Trooper Super Leaders Team will be aiming to provide as many under privileged children and families with food and unwanted gifts in time for the festive period. With the help of the Rainhill Community Support Group, who will be delivering our parcels around Rainhill and to St Matthew's Centre in Thatto Heath, the Town Troopers are kindly asking for any donations of long-lasting food and gift items to come into school between Monday 23rd November and Monday 7th December. It is then the job of the Town Troopers to get the packages ready for delivery. A ParentPay item will also be added next week if any Parents/Carers would like to make a monetary donation which can be passed onto the local foodbank.

CHRISTINGLE

This year our children will be making their own individual Christingle packs and bringing them home to make with their family. The individual packs will include a JustGiving link for parents/carers to donate, a useful video that has been put together by our Values Ambassadors and information on how the Christingle service will be delivered by Reverend Alan over Zoom. Alternatively please scan the QR code below to donate, all donations will be appreciated.



Huge thanks from the Friends Association for all the voluntary donations made on own clothes day. We are delighted to announce that £193 was raised.

Y3 CHRISTMAS SERVICE

As with all other services this year, our Y3 Christmas Service will be online. The video will be uploaded onto our You Tube Channel on Monday 14th December and removed on our return to school in the new year. You will be able to access the service via the following link:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLSTKt03NB4yLZBXodtNAg>



ENTERPRISE/DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY WEEK



We are very excited to announce that week commencing Monday 14th December is Design and Technology Week at St Ann's. This special week has been organised not only to compensate the children for not going out on educational visits so far this year due to the pandemic, but also to enhance our DT curriculum.

During the week, guided by a consultant in primary Design and Technology, each child will design, make and evaluate a product with a purpose!

We are politely requesting a £1 voluntary contribution per child to subsidise this high-quality experience. The voluntary donations can be made via Parent Pay.

EARLY YEAR'S, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2 NATIVITIES

As with all performance this year, all our Christmas nativities will be online. At St Ann's it is not typical for Y1 to lead their own nativity. Usually they act as the choir for the Y2 nativity. However, given singing on mass is not permitted at present due to the risks it poses to the transmission of the virus for one year only, Y1 will lead their very own nativity.

All nativities will be available on You Tube from Monday 14th December and will be removed following our return to school in the new year. You will be able to access the service via the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLSTKt03NB4yLZBXodtNAg>

The nativities will also be available to buy. Details to follow.

WELL DONE 6O, 3G, 4P & OTHER INDIVIDUALS

A huge well done to 6O, 3G, 4P and other children who have completed most of their learning at home this week. We have been very impressed that the large majority of children completed and returned their set school work. This has meant that further curriculum time has not been lost and that they are still on track with programmes of study.



WEEKLY REMINDERS

TOAST

Toast at break time is available every half term. For your child to receive toast we **must** receive your payment on or before the start of each new half-term. The deadline for this current half-term has now passed. For the next half term the payment item will show on your ParentPay account during the week commencing 30th November 2020 and payments should be made by 15th December 2020. If you have not made by payment by 15th December 2020 we will issue a reminder by text. If payment is still not received by the date stated in the reminder we will be unable to provide your child with toast for the ensuing half term. **Please note that these dates are all within the current half term.**

PE KIT & DAYS

Don't forget on the days children have PE, they should wear their PE Kit to school. As this forms part of the children's school uniform, children must wear the full and correct PE Kit.

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
	Y2	EYR	EYA	Y1
	Y5	Y1	Y2	Y3
	Y3	Y6	Y4	Y5
			Y6	

FISHY FRIDAY

Unfortunately we are unable to offer the option of "Fishy Friday" at present. We will notify Parents/Carers when we are able to resume this option.

GENERAL INFORMATION

TERM DATES

Term	Open on	Close on
Autumn Term 2020	7 th September 2020	23 rd October 2020
	2 nd November 2020	18 th December 2020
Spring Term 2021	4 th January 2021	12 th February 2021
	22 nd February 2021	30 th March 2021
Summer Term 2021	19 th April 2021	28 th May 2021
	7 th June 2021	22 nd July 2021

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE FIGURES

Whole school attendance Year to date	97.0%
Whole school attendance Week ending 13 th November 2020	95.8%
Class with best weekly attendance	4F – 100%

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Headteacher: Mrs Laura Rynn

‘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 YOUR DIARY

A lot of our gatherings/coffee mornings/church services will be made available via our school website or YouTube channel. As guidance is updated we will continue to update parents/carers on when services can be held for parents/carers. More information about each event will be made available in our Weekly Newsletter or in separate letters.

AUTUMN

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Monday	23rd November 2020	Assessment Week
Monday	7th December 2020	DT Week
Tuesday	8th December 2020	Community Cohesion Meeting 3.30pm (online)
Monday	14th December 2020	EYFS Nativity 2pm (online) Mentoring Sessions – Year 1 (Zoom)
Tuesday	15th December 2020	EYFS Nativity (online) KS1 Nativity (online) Mentoring Sessions – Year 3 & Year 6 (Zoom)
Wednesday	16th December 2020	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner Day Christmas Coffee Morning (online) Mentoring Sessions – Foundation Stage & Year 4 (Zoom)
Thursday	17th December 2020	Y5 Communion (online) Christmas Parties Mentoring Sessions – Year 2 & Year 5 (Zoom)
Friday	18th December 2020	Christmas Service led by Y3 (online) School Closes for Christmas
Monday	4th January 2021	School re-opens

SPRING

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Monday	4 th January 2021	• Children return to school.
Wednesday	6 th January 2021	• Epiphany service
Monday	11 th January 2021	• Parent Workshops- All week (online)
Monday	18 th January 2021	• RE Focus Day – Hinduism
Tuesday	2 nd February 2021	• Community Cohesion Meeting 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Thursday	4 th February 2021	• Harry Potter Night
Friday	5 th February 2021	• SEN Coffee Afternoon 1.30pm - 2.30pm
Monday	8 th February 2021	• Stand Up, Speak Up Week
Tuesday	9 th February 2021	• Internet Safety Day
Thursday	11 th February 2021	• Y4 Communion
Friday	12 th February 2021	• Star Day
Friday	12 th February 2021	• KS1 Church Service
Friday	12 th February 2021	• School closes for half term
Monday	22 nd February 2021	• Children return to school
Wednesday	24 th February 2021	• Ash Wednesday service
Thursday	4 th March 2021	• World Book Day
Friday	5 th March 2021	• World Maths Day • 4F Family Worship
Monday	8 th March 2021	• Assessment Week
Friday	12 th March 2021	• 3H Family Worship
Friday	19 th March 2021	• Super Leaders Day 2
Thursday	25 th March 2021	• Y3 Communion
Friday	26 th March 2021	• 4P Family Worship
Monday	29 th March 2021	• Aspirations Day 1
Tuesday	30 th March 2021	• Aspirations Day 2 • Own Clothes Day • Easter Bingo • Y5 Easter Service
Tuesday	30 th March 2021	• School Closes for half term

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SOMETHING ON YOUR MIND?

_GET SUPPORT FOR YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

_Whatever is on your mind, if you're experiencing issues that are affecting your mental health at work, Able Futures can help.

Able Futures can help you cope with anxiety, depression, grief or stress, and deal with problems such as illness, disrupted sleep, debt or relationship breakdowns.

Nine months advice and guidance from a mental health professional will be arranged at a time to suit you. There is no cost to use this service, no waiting list and it's completely confidential.

HAVE MORE GOOD DAYS _TALK TO ABLE FUTURES

_VISIT www.able-futures.co.uk

_CALL 0800 321 3137

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