



# 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 13

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020

If one of them falls down, the other can help him up. But if someone is alone and falls, it's just too bad, because there is no one to help him.

Ecclesiastes 4: 10

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### MISS FOSTER

It brings me great joy to announce that Miss Foster has successfully interviewed for the position of Assistant Headteacher at St Ann's. From January Miss Foster will work alongside Mrs Rynn and Miss Reed leading and managing St Ann's. She will continue to have responsibility for Maths, but in addition, Miss Foster will also oversee Key Stage 2 as well as Personal Development and Well-being.



### INTRODUCING MR CRANE

We are delighted to share with you that Mr Crane, this week, joined our Y6 team. Mr Crane will be working alongside Miss O'Shea and Mr Phillips delivering the Y6 curriculum in place of Mrs McDowell who is leaving us at Christmas. Mr Crane has worked on a supply basis at our school throughout the Autumn term and is already familiar face amongst pupils, parents/ carers and staff. I'm sure Mr Crane will be very happy during his time at St Ann's.

## REPORTING OF COVID DURING THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

However, until Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, school should be emailed so that we can continue to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.

After Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December, positive COVID cases should no longer be reported to school until school reopens on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

Our school email address is: [stannsce@three-saints.org.uk](mailto:stannsce@three-saints.org.uk)

### MENTORING CONVERSATIONS

This year Mentoring Conversations will take place week commencing Monday 14th December over the video conferencing application Zoom. All parents/carers should have been signed up for their child's mentoring conversations. On Monday 30th November parents/carers will receive a letter with their child's class zoom link. Introducing. Please remember to refer to the email you will have received from Arbor to remind you of your mentoring conversation time and date. If you have any issues with Arbor or the zoom link, please contact the office in the usual way.

### CHRISTMAS JUMPER & WACKY HAIR DAY

For a £1 voluntary donation, on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> 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 raise to support our school.



### EPIPHANY SERVICE

On our return to school in the new year, the children will take part in Reverend Alan's online Epiphany Service.



### YEAR 3 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/UCLSTKt03N\\_B4yLZBXodtNAG](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLSTKt03N_B4yLZBXodtNAG)



## EYS, 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.

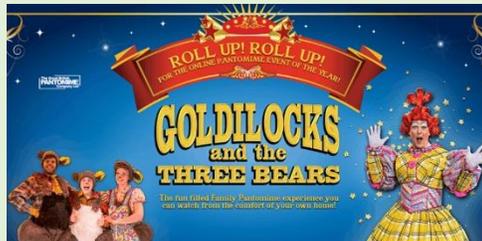
All nativities will be available on You Tube from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December and will be removed following our return to school in the new year.

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. Please see your ParentPay account for details.

## 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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.**

## CHRISTINGLE

Thank you to Reverend Alan, Reverend Lynne and the PCC for a beautiful Christingle Service.

Donations can still be made using the JustGiving QR code below. All donations will be appreciated.



## ARBOR APP.

From 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 Dinner Money payments should be made on Arbor rather than ParentPay.

Initially this will be the only payment made through Arbor but it will be extended to further items in the future.

## CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Our Christmas parties are taking place on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December in the afternoon. This year each class will have their own class bubble parties. To limit the risk of transmission there won't be party food, but we are inviting the children to come into school wearing their party clothes all day.



School closes at the end of term on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

School re-opens for the Spring term on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

## PARKING

We have had a number of complaints from both parents and people living close to school regarding parking, particularly at the back of school. Please could parents ensure that they are parking both legally and considerately when dropping off or picking up their children. Thank you.

## RLFC

From January Year 2, Year 3 and Year 5 will be benefitting from Saint Rugby League Coaches who will be enhancing and supporting a number of their PE lessons in line with the Rugby League Curriculum. We are very much looking forward to welcoming the coaches into school and are confident that the children will thoroughly enjoy their sessions!

## CHANGES TO 2021 NATIONAL CURRICULUM ASSESSMENTS

Last week the government announced changes to their approach to the 2021 national curriculum assessment in recognition of the challenges primary schools up and down the country are facing because of the ongoing disruption caused by coronavirus.

For 2021, the following have been removed:

- All key stage 1 (Year 2) SATs
- The key stage 2 (Year 6) English grammar, punctuation and spelling test
- The requirement to make and report teacher assessment judgements for science at key stage 1 and 2

This means that the following statutory assessments will continue in 2021:

- The phonics screening check for Year 1 pupils (and Year 2 who have not met the expected standard previously)
- Key stage 2 (Year 6) English reading and mathematics SATs
- Key stage 1 and 2 teacher assessment (excluding science)



## ST ANN'S HAS GOT TALENT 2021



We are aware how much the children look forward to St Ann's Has Got Talent every year, unfortunately due to the restrictions currently in force and the uncertainty of future restrictions we will be unable to produce a show in 2021 in its usual format. We would however like to offer those children who would like to perform as a solo act (or with a sibling) the opportunity to take part in an online St Ann's Has Got Talent. We are not able to accept group acts and classes won't be putting together class acts in this year's talent show.

If this is something you would like your child to take part in, please complete the following survey before 12pm on Friday 8th January. Your child's audition will take place in school on Friday 22nd January (we would advise all parents/carers to film their audition in the event that their child is absent from school on Friday 22nd January). If your child is successful, they will be filmed as part of our online St Ann's Has Got Talent show. The online Talent show will be broadcast on the School's YouTube channel and a DVD of the show will be available to buy.

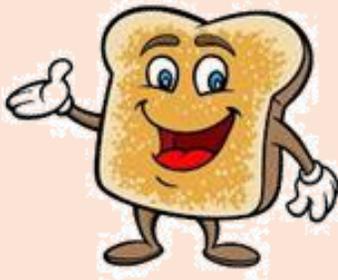
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#TheShowWillGoOn

## 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. For the next half term (after the Christmas Holidays) the payment item is now showing on your ParentPay account. Payments should be made by 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020. If you have not made by payment by 15<sup>th</sup> 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.** We were aiming to pilot the item on Arbor as an introduction to the payment system on the Parent Portal/App. Unfortunately we have had to delay setting this up so the payment will remain on ParentPay this half-term.



### 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.

### DISMISSAL FROM CLUBS

Now that the nights have drawn in, children are no longer permitted to walk from after school clubs. All children should be collected from after school clubs by a responsible adult.

Thank you

### 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	

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### TERM DATES

Term	Open on	Close on
Autumn Term 2020	7 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2020
	2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2020	17 <sup>th</sup> December 2020
Spring Term 2021	4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	12 <sup>th</sup> February 2021
	22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021	30 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Summer Term 2021	19 <sup>th</sup> April 2021	28 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
	7 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2021

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE FIGURES

Whole school attendance Year to date	97.2%
Whole school attendance Week ending 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	98.3%
Class with best weekly attendance	1R – 100%

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**Concentration**

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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**

**DAY DATE EVENT**

Monday 14th December 2020

- Classes to watch Christmas Pantomimes this week
- EYFS, Y1 and Y2 Nativities made available on YouTube
- Y3 Christmas service to be made available on YouTube
- Mentoring Sessions for 1H and 1R (zoom)

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020

- Mentoring Sessions for 3H, 3G, 6O and 6P (zoom)

Wednesday 16th December 2020

- Christmas Jumper Day
- Wacky Hair Day
- Christmas Dinner Day
- Christmas Coffee Morning (cancelled)
- Mentoring Sessions for 4F, 4P, EYR and EYA (zoom)

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020

- Y5 Communion service (cancelled)
- Mentoring Sessions for 2B, 2T, 5H and 5E
- Christmas Parties & Christmas cards to be given out
- School Closes for Christmas

Monday 4th January 2021

- School re-opens

## SPRING

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



**You are invited to our Online Sing-Along Carol Service!**

**Join us for this magical evening, from the comfort of your own home.**

As this year has been a challenge for us all, we want to make the service extra special.

We would love to know what your favourite Christmas Carols are and why they mean so much to you. We are also asking for your Christmas Photos, of you in your home with your decorations, in front of your Christmas tree, with an advent candle or even a festive pet!

Send your Christmas photos to [stann135@gmail.com](mailto:stann135@gmail.com)



## ST HELENS FOODBANK CHRISTMAS OPENING TIMES 2020/2021

Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2020	St John the Baptist Church, <u>Earlestown</u>	Open	11.30– 1.30pm
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	St Helens Baptist Church, Hall Street	Open	11 – 2 pm
CHRISTMAS DAY	CLC, Atherton Street (Emergency Food Only)	Open	10 – 12 noon
BOXING DAY	CLC, Atherton Street (Emergency Food Only)	Open	10 – 12 noon
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	CLC, Atherton Street (Emergency Food Only)	Open	10 – 12 noon
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Hope House, 103 Church Street, St Helens	Open	10 – 12 noon
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Hope House, 103 Church Street, St Helens	Open	10 – 12 noon
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	St John the Baptist Church, <u>Earlestown</u>	Open	11.30 – 1.30pm
NEW YEARS EVE	St Helens Baptist Church, Hall Street	Open	11 – 2pm
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2021	CLOSED		

ALL FOODBANK HUBS WILL BE OPEN AS NORMAL FROM MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2021

PLEASE NOTE: FROM FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER TO SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER EMERGENCY FOOD PARCELS MAY BE OBTAINED WITH A VOUCHER FROM CLC, ATHERTON STREET, ST HELENS AND 28<sup>TH</sup> AND 29<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER FROM HOPE HOUSE, 103 CHURCH STREET, ST HELENS, CONTACT NO: 01744 20032. OPENING HOURS ARE 10 AM – 12 NOON.]