



St Ann's Church of England Primary School



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

Value of the Half Term

Hope

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But they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31

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Coming back to school...



SCHOOL RE-OPENING

It was lovely to re-open on Monday 8th March. The children and staff who have been in school have enjoyed sharing and reflecting on their lockdown experiences and have benefitted from getting back into the old routine! Should any parents/ carers have any concerns about their child following returning to school, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

CLASS 3G

Well done to everyone who has been learning from home for part of this week. If Parent/Carers require any support please do not hesitate to contact school. If your child does not have access to a suitable device again please contact school and we will be happy to arrange for one to be issued.

GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK MR PHILLIPS

It is with deep sadness that at the end of this half term we will be saying goodbye and good luck to Mr Phillips. Mr Phillips has worked at St Ann's since 2011 and worked his way up from student teacher to middle management in that time. Mr Phillips is an exceptional teacher and has been instrumental to so much of our work at St Ann's, including assessment, drama and more recently remote education. His legacy will impact on St Ann's pupils and staff for years and years to come. I'm sure all parents/ carers would like to join the staff and School Committee members in wishing Mr Phillips all the very best for the future as he leaves us to take up post as Head of Product at Twinkl, an educational publishing house. Keep in touch Mr Phillips!

IMPORTANT - DATE CHANGE

You may remember that the Government urged schools to close for Christmas on Thursday 17th December. To replace this extra day's holiday, school will now close on Wednesday 31st March instead of Tuesday 30th March. This means all children, whether learning in school or remotely will be expected to be in attendance on Wednesday 31st March. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause. If this causes any issues for your family, please do not hesitate to get in touch.



TALENT SHOW



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. Now that school has reopened to all children we would like to carry on with our plans for an adapted Talent Show. If your child would like to perform as a solo act (or with a sibling) please complete the following link by 23rd March 2021

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=r9bU20O8dU-7UaJ - VobDnku6JMScU9ErH3VEQM3K1VUN0xIN0FWV1E1UUw1Q0JRNTBDRkITTkEyVy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=r9bU20O8dU-7UaJ-VobDnku6JMScU9ErH3VEQM3K1VUN0xIN0FWV1E1UUw1Q0JRNTBDRkITTkEyVy4u). We are not able

to accept group acts in this year's talent show. If you have already completed this form it is not necessary to complete another one.

Your child's audition will take place in school. If your child is successful, they will be filmed as part of our online St Ann's Has Got Talent show. Unfortunately, if we do not receive enough interest we will not be able to proceed with the Show.

COVID DROP OFF AND COLLECTION REMINDERS & ROADMAP

In to give our school and classes the greatest chance of remaining open during the pandemic, please see below for a reminder regarding the current lockdown restrictions. Please can we remind parents/ carers dropping off and collecting children to adhere to the following:

- Only 1 family member to drop off and collect
- Queue single file and only with your child's class
- Wear face coverings
- Leave the premises immediately after dropping off and collecting
- Remember to socially distance from each other and staff
- Avoid arriving early to reduce gathering around the school premises

STEP 1 8 March 29 March	STEP 2 No earlier than 12 April At least 5 weeks after Step 1
EDUCATION 8 MARCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schools and colleges open for all students • Practical Higher Education courses 	EDUCATION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As previous step
SOCIAL CONTACT 8 MARCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exercise and recreation outdoors with household or one other person • Household only indoors 29 MARCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rule of 6 or two households outdoors • Household only indoors 	SOCIAL CONTACT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rule of 6 or two households outdoors • Household only indoors
BUSINESS & ACTIVITIES 8 MARCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wraparound care, including sport, for all children 29 MARCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organised outdoor sport (children and adults) • Outdoor sport and leisure facilities • All outdoor children's activities • Outdoor parent & child group (max 15 people, excluding under 5s) 	BUSINESS & ACTIVITIES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All retail • Personal care • Libraries & community centres • Most outdoor attractions • Indoor leisure inc. gyms (individual use only) • Self-contained accommodation • All children's activities • Outdoor hospitality • Indoor parent & child groups (max 15 people, excluding under 5s)
TRAVEL 8 MARCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay at home • No holidays 29 MARCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimise travel • No holidays 	TRAVEL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic overnight stays (household only) • No international holidays
EVENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funerals (30) • Weddings and wakes (6) 	EVENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funerals (30) • Weddings, wakes, receptions (15) • Event pilots




We must keep on protecting each other.



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

STAY ALERT • CONTROL THE VIRUS • SAVE LIVES

EASTER BINGO

On **Wednesday 31st March**, to celebrate Easter (as well as our return to school), all classes will play Easter Bingo. We are politely requesting a £1 voluntary donation per child. All profit raised from the event will go directly into school fund, something which we have not been able to do for a good while now, so that we can purchase resources and equipment that will support the children's education. All voluntary donations should be made on Arbor under "Donations". Thank you in advance for your support!



ATTENDANCE

School attendance is once again mandatory from 8th March. The usual rules on school attendance will once again apply including:

- Parents' duty to secure their child's regular attendance at school
- The ability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices in line with local authorities' codes of conduct

ASSESSING AND BUILDING RESILIENCE

Week commencing Monday 22nd March all children across school will complete a survey in school to help identify areas of strength and need in respect of resilience and wellbeing. The results of the survey will help us to better support children following their experiences of lockdown and the global pandemic.

SEN COFFEE MORNING

On Tuesday 30th March at 9.30am we will be holding a virtual coffee morning with a focus on Additional Needs. During the morning Miss Reed and Mrs Rynn will be available to discuss provision in school and answer any questions you may have regarding additional needs and inclusion.

If you would like to attend the meeting please email rsa.inclusion@three-saints.org.uk for a link.

HOMEWORK

Now that pupils have returned to school, homework will resume and will include:

- Daily Reading using paper books or Bug Club
- Spellings via Spelling Shed
- Timestable Rockstars or Numbots
- A piece of English or Maths which will be uploaded onto MS TEAMS

POSITIVE CONFIRMED CASES OF COVID19

Please can politely request that parents/ carers continue to inform school if someone in your household tests positive for Covid. We are continuing to support our local health protection team in the tracking and tracing of cases within the local community. Thank you

COMING SOON FOR EYS & YEAR 1: READING EGGS



We are delighted to announce that in the coming weeks our EYFS children will be given access to the online Phonics and Reading program Reading Eggs. Reading Eggs is an online program that supports children with Reading. Reading Eggs makes learning to read interesting and engaging for kids, with great online reading games and activities. It will be used to supplement our other online platforms such as Bug Club. Over the next few weeks class teachers will work 1:1 with children on an initial quiz to ensure the children are given the right starting point within the program and usernames and passwords will then be sent home.

ST ANN'S CHURCH EASTER GARDEN

Please find below details of some lovely community Easter activities families may wish to join in with. Where possible we will also be undertaking some of these activities in school.



An Easter Invitation to the Community of Rainhill Age is not a limit: children, young people and adults are all included.

Easter is an important time in the church and the symbol of the Easter egg has been tied from very early times with the concepts of life, birth, rebirth and in particular with the time of spring, After the last very difficult year for everyone we would like you to join with us to celebrate this time of RENEWAL, HOPE, HEALTH, LOVE and the Spirit of God.

How can you be involved? In one of two ways or both!!

Decorate a stone for you to add to a trail along the edge of the paths from View Road and Warrington Road towards the front of church, celebrating spring, hope, love, health (NHS) and God.

Make a simple Easter Garden to place in the churchyard.

Make a small simple garden in a seed tray, shallow dish or small food container like a mushroom tray.

1 Make some holes in the bottom to allow for drainage.

2 2/3 fill with soil or compost

3 Build a small cave (if you can)

4 Add some small plants or cuttings, moss or grass.

5 Add any or all of the following, a path, a hill, a cross (of twigs) a chicken or lamb (which may get wet)



Let us celebrate this time and may we all find PEACE, LOVE, GOOD HEALTH, and the renewal of HOPE in 2021. Thank you in advance, for your support and please share this information with people in the community

When you have decorated your stones and/or made your garden, please put them in place from Sunday 28th March.

Making a Rock (decorating a stone)

What you will need:

A smooth rock

Paint and brushes / Acrylic paint pens / Marker pens

Pallet to mix paint / Old dish / Margarine lid

Pencil

Clear Sealant - Spray varnish / PVA Glue / Nail varnish topcoat-

The website www.rockpainting101.com is a great source of Rock Painting tips and tricks



Pick a smooth rock and make sure they are clean before painting.



Some colours won't show up well on darker rocks, give them a coat of white paint.



You can then start to pencil a rough idea of what you want your design to be.



Paint your design.



You may need to do a couple of coats, let the paint dry between layers.



Finish by adding a sealant (see the shine) so the paint won't wash off in the rain.



Going back to school

With some children returning to their schools under very unusual conditions here are some simple discussion and prayer activities to help talk through the return to school.



Ask: What are your worries or fears about going back to school?

Remember:
1 Peter 5 v 7
Give all your worries to him because he cares about you.

Cast away your worries
Write or draw your worries or fears on a piece of paper then fold it into a paper aeroplane and throw it as far away as you can. Remember that wherever we are we can give our worries and fears straight to God.

Ask: What is going to be different to normal when you are at school? How do you feel about these changes?

Recognise the good and the bad
Try to find the positives in the midst of the change – talk about the many ways you have already adapted to learning at home during lockdown – why not write your own positive attitude mantra to use throughout the day!

Remember!
Hebrews 13 v 8
Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Ask: What are you most looking forward to about going back to school?

Remember!
Jeremiah 29 v 11
I have good plans for you, not plans to hurt you. I will give you hope and a good future.

Pray for your bubble!
Draw a picture of all those who are in your bubble at school. Ask God to protect them and to help them all to be good friends to one another and to make sure nobody feels left out.

Why not commit to praying for one person from your bubble every day, that they would be brave, feel safe and know God's love.

WEEKLY REMINDERS

TOAST

Toast at break time is available every half term. For your child to receive toast your Arbor account must be in credit by at least the payment amount for that half term by the deadlines given. The deadline for this remaining half term (8th March – 31st March) has now passed.

You are able to make payments to your Arbor account for next half term, payment £5.80. The deadline for your account to be in credit by this amount is 29th March 2021. For your convenience payments may now be made in advance, please find detailed below the amounts required and cut off dates for the remainder of this school year.

TERM	AMOUNT REQUIRED	DATE TOAST ACCOUNT MUST BE IN CREDIT BY
Summer 1	£5.80	29 th March 2021
Summer 2	£6.80	25 th May 2021

PE TIMETABLE

Children should continue to wear their PE kit to school on the day/s their class has PE. Updated timetable below.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 4	Year 2	EYR	EYA	Year 1
	Year 3	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
	Year 5	Year 6	Year 4	Year 5
			Year 6	

GENERAL INFORMATION

TERM DATES

	Open on	Close on
Autumn Term	7 th September 2020	23 rd October 2020
	2 nd November 2020	17 th December 2020
Spring Term	4 th January 2021	12 th February 2021
	22 nd February 2021	31 st March 2021
Summer Term	19 th April 2021	28 th May 2021
	7 th June 2021	22 nd July 2021

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	£9.00
Junior Tie	£3.50
Elasticated Tie	£3.00
Replacement Planner	£4.00

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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

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Friday	19 th March 2021	Super Leaders Day 2
Friday	26 th March 2021	4P Family Worship-Postponed to Summer Term
Monday	29 th March 2021	Aspirations Day 1
Tuesday	30 th March 2021	Aspirations Day 2
Wednesday	31 st March 2021	Easter Bingo – To be Confirmed School Closes for half term

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Monday	19 th April 2021	School Opens
Friday	23 rd April 2021	3H Family Worship - online
Friday	30 th April 2021	1R Family Worship - online
Monday	3 rd May 2021	School Closed for Bank Holiday
Friday	7 th May 2021	3G Family Worship - online
Friday	14 th May 2021	4F Family Worship - online
Thursday	20 th May 2021	Year 6 Communion - TBC
Friday	21 st May 2021	1H Family Worship - online SEN Coffee Afternoon 1.30pm-2.30pm - TBC
Tuesday	25 th May 2021	Community Cohesion
Friday	28 th May 2021	4P Family Worship Crazy Hair Day – Friends Fundraiser
Friday	28 th May 2021	School Closes
Monday	7 th June 2021	School opens
Friday	11 th June 2021	2T Family Worship - online
Friday	18 th June 2021	2B Family Worship - online
Monday	21 st June 2021	Assessment Week - TBC
Monday	28 th June 2021	EYs Sports Day 9.30am-11.30am - TBC KS1 Sports Day 1.00pm-3.00pm - TBC
Tuesday	29 th June 2021	EY Reserve Sports Day 9.30-11.30am - TBC KS1 Reserve Sports Day 1.00pm-3.00pm - TBC
Wednesday	30 th June 2021	LKS2 Sports Day 9.30-11.30am - TBC UPKS2 Sports Day 1.00pm-3.00pm - TBC
Thursday	1 st July 2021	LKS2 Reserve Sports Day 9.30-11.30am - TBC UPKS2 Reserve Sports Day 1.00pm-3.00pm - TBC
Friday	2 nd July 2021	EYs Family Worship - TBC New Intake Taster Meal - TBC
Monday	5 th July 2021	Y6 Rainhill High School Taster Day 1 Transition Week for whole school (inc new EYs starters – details TBC)
Tuesday	6 th July 2021	Y6 Rainhill High School Taster Day 2
Monday	12 th July 2021	Mentoring Conversations this week
Friday	16 th July 2021	Own Clothes Day – Friends Fundraiser
Tuesday	20 th July 2021	Awards Evening - TBC
Thursday	22 nd July 2021	School Closes Y6 Leavers Service - TBC

