



# 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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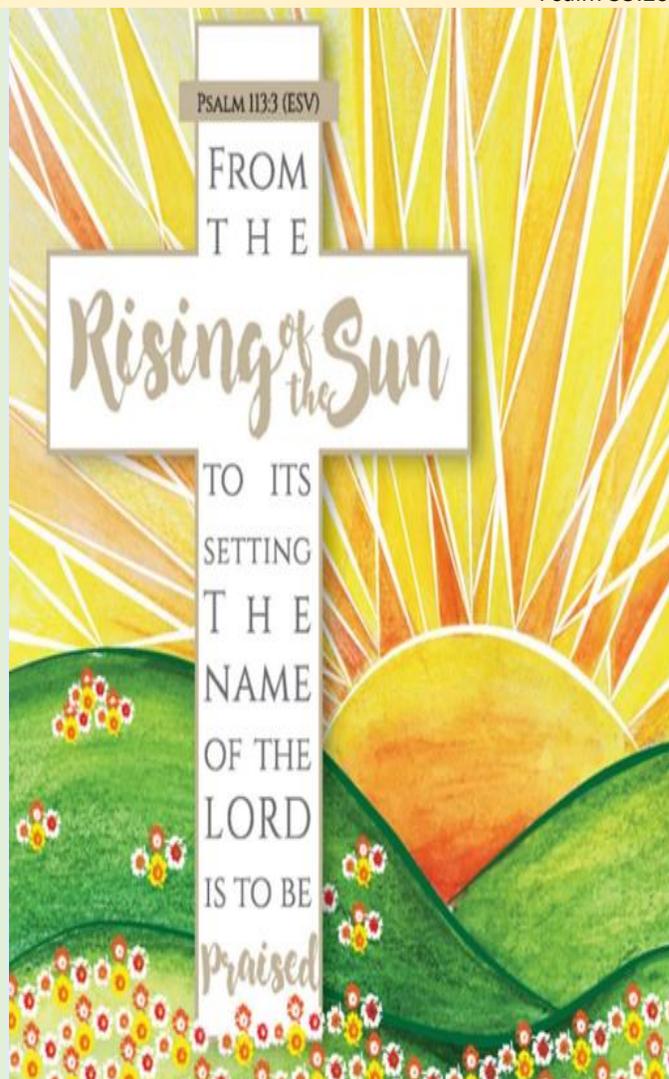
we wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield

Psalm 33:20

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*This is the final newsletter this half term*



School closes on  
Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March  
2021.

School re-opens after half  
term on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April  
2021.

## REPORTING OF POSITIVE COVID CASES

School continues to play an important role in contact tracing and the national effort to limit the spread of covid19, and therefore positive covid cases should continue to be reported to school up until **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April**. After this date positive cases will be dealt with through the NHS Test and Trace. Where staff and pupils developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, close contacts will be advised to self-isolate as the positive case may have been infectious whilst at school. Where pupils and staff test positive, having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, no action will be taken.

Positive cases should be reported to:

[stannsce@three-saints.org.uk](mailto:stannsce@three-saints.org.uk)

## IMPORTANT - DATE CHANGE

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



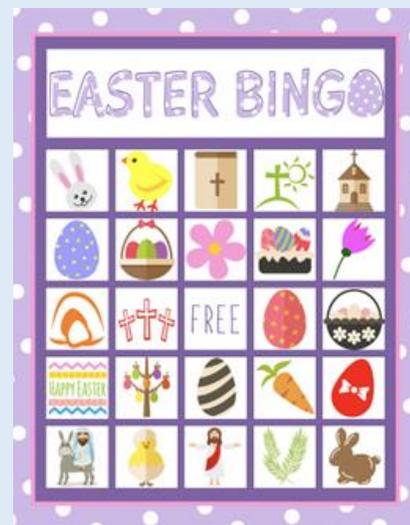
## GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK MR PHILLIPS

It is with deep sadness that on Wednesday 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!

*goodbye  
AND  
goodluck  
ON YOUR  
NEXT  
adventure*

## EASTER BINGO

On **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> 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. Thank you in advance for your support!



## CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

On Monday, school will be completing the final passport bank for this academic year. Please make sure that you send your child's passport into school so that the hours can be tallied and your child can receive the correct Children's University certificate.



## EASTER RAFFLE

We are holding a raffle for a lovely Easter Hamper. Tickets cost £2 and can be purchased on Arbor under School Items, please purchase before 12 noon on Wednesday 31st March to be in with a chance of winning. Good luck.



## 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](mailto:rsa.inclusion@three-saints.org.uk) for a link.

## SOCIAL DISTANCING AT DROP OFF AND COLLECTION

As well as leaving the school site promptly at drop off and collection, another way we can avoid mixing with different families is to not to allow our children to stroke other peoples' dogs, and for dog owners to be especially brisk when dropping and off and collecting their child to prevent causing gathering.

**Thank you for your support with this matter.**

## CROSSES FOR EASTER

This time last year we had just gone into lockdown for the first time and children across the diocese were invited to create crosses out of anything that came to hand and to share their photos on social media. And this year, we have been invited to do this once again as a reminder that the cross means hope and that Jesus understands our situation and will help us to overcome. Tag photos shared on social media with [@iapcrosby](https://www.instagram.com/iapcrosby) or [#easterinanotherplace](https://www.instagram.com/easterinanotherplace)



## **ASPIRATIONS FOCUS DAYS**

Next week, we are so excited to be holding our annual Careers and Aspirations focus days for all children from Early Years to Year 6! In Early Years and KS1 the children will be exploring different jobs, talking about what they would like to be when they grow up and considering the skills and qualities they would need to do their dream job. In KS2, children will hear from a variety of volunteers who have recorded themselves sharing information about their jobs! Children will explore job sectors and pathways into their chosen career. We are so excited for our focus days and can't wait to inspire the children to dream big!

Remember: If you can dream it, you can do it!



### **PARENT FORUM**

Huge thanks to all our Parent Reps who attended this week's Parent Forum meeting. Our new Relationships, Health and Sex Education was discussed amongst other things.

The minutes will be placed on the website shortly.

### **CHRISTIAN VALUES AFTERNOON**

One afternoon next week children will learn about next half term's Christian Value; Creation.



## **COMMUNITY COLLECT TESTING SERVICE LAUNCHES IN ST HELENS BOROUGH**

Households of school children, members of support bubbles, childcare and those in related occupations can collect Covid-19 home testing kits from selected sites across St Helens Borough, subject to availability.

The community Collect testing service is planned to be rolling out to all St Helens Borough residents in the near future.

About 1 in 3 people with coronavirus do not have symptoms but can still pass it on to others. Twice weekly symptom-free (rapid lateral flow) testing of people without coronavirus symptoms is important to help stop the virus from spreading and protect your loved ones.

Home testing kits can be collected from the following walk-in sites;

- St Marys Indoor Market, St Helens Town Centre, WA10 1AR - Monday to Friday, 8.30am–6pm and Saturday and Sunday, 10am–3pm.

- Fairclough Street Car Park, Earlestown, Newton-le-Willows WA12 9QR - open Monday to Friday, 1.30pm to 7pm.
- Haydock Park Racecourse, Newton-le-Willows WA12 0HQ – open Monday to Friday, 1.30pm to 7pm.

There is no need to make an appointment to collect a home test kit. Do not visit a collection site outside of opening hours, as they could be used to test people with coronavirus symptoms outside of these times. If you are 18 or over you can collect 2 packs of home test kits, each pack contains 7 tests.

Secondary Schools and Colleges will continue to provide tests for students to complete twice weekly at home until further notice.

All local residents can get tested by attending a [symptom-free testing site](#) for a supervised Covid-19 test.

If you have any coronavirus symptoms – a new, continuous cough, a high temperature, or a loss of sense of smell or taste – it's vital that you do not attend a test site and instead book a test online at [www.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.gov.uk/coronavirus) or by calling 119.

For more information about testing locally, visit: <https://www.sthelens.gov.uk/coronavirus/covid-19-testing/>

### ATTENDANCE

School attendance is once again mandatory from 8<sup>th</sup> 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

### 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

### YEAR 5 EASTER SERVICE

On Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March the Year 5 Easter Service will be released on You Tube for our school community to enjoy.

### HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEAD

Next week some lucky children will be invited to have Hot Chocolate with the Head as a reward for their hard work and positive attitude to learning. Well done to everyone who received an invitation.

### FAMILY WORSHIP

3H's family worship will be recorded and shared on our school You Tube account on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. The Focus will be on the very topical 'Census' and will be the introductory lesson to some work that all classes will undertake the following week!

**census 2021**



## RUGBY COACHES

We are very excited to announce that Y2, Y3 and Y4 will be benefitting from some sports coaching for Rugby League on behalf of St Helens Rugby League. Each class will benefit from 3 sessions on the following dates:



Thursday 22nd April,  
Thursday 6th May,  
Thursday 13th May,



Thursday is not a usual day for PE for Y3, however they will need to wear their full outdoor kit on these 3 dates.

We are sure that the children will benefit from these exciting sessions!

## CHANGES TO THE TEST AND TRACE SUPPORT PAYMENT FOR PARENTS

Parents and carers of children who have been advised to self-isolate by their education setting or by NHS Test and Trace are now able to apply for a [Test and Trace Support Payment](#) or discretionary payment of £500, if they meet the eligibility criteria. The extension of the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme, which is administered by district and unitary local authorities in England, ensures that parents receive the financial support they need if they are unable to attend work due to childcare responsibilities.

Parents and carers should apply to their local authority to receive a payment. Applications for the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme are made via the local authority in which the parent or carer resides, not the local authority where the setting is situated, if these are different.

To be eligible applicants must meet all of the criteria that:

- they are the parent or guardian of a child or young person in the same household and need to take time off work to care for them while they self-isolate. This is limited to one parent or guardian per household for the child or young person's self-isolation period
- they are employed or self-employed
- they cannot work from home while undertaking caring responsibilities and will lose income as a result
- they meet all the other means-tested eligibility criteria for a Test and Trace Support Payment or locally determined criteria for a discretionary payment

That their child or young person:

- is aged 15 or under (or 25 or under with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHC)) and normally attends an education or childcare setting
- has been told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or by their education or childcare setting because they have been identified as a close contact of someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)



## SAFEGUARDING ALERT: Omegle

You must be 18+ to use or 13+ with parental permission.

Omegle is a social networking/chat website that **connects two strangers** together for either a text or a video chat. Chats are anonymous unless a user provides this information.

### What should I be aware of?

- No registration is required to access Omegle (therefore no age verification) and there are no reporting facilities.
- Users are given an option to save the chat's log and share the link. It is always possible for other users to take screenshots of text and video chats.

**We recommend that Omegle is not used by children due to the potential imagery shared and language used which can be particularly explicit.**

Further information is available here: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/globalassets/omegle-parents-guide.pdf>

## WEEKLY REMINDERS

### 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	

### 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 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
Summer 2	£6.80	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2021

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### TERM DATES

	Open on	Close on
Autumn Term	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	4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	12 <sup>th</sup> February 2021
	22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021
Summer Term	19 <sup>th</sup> April 2021	28 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
	7 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	22 <sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto: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

**Courtesy**  
**Care**  
**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	29 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Aspirations Day 1
Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Aspirations Day 2
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021	Easter Bingo School Closes for half term

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



# St Ann's Easter 2021



We are looking forward to welcoming you to our services following the reopening our church building for worship

Platform 2 meets in the main church building on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March at 10:30am



**Services of Holy Communion will resume in April**

**Maunday Thursday**

9:30am Holy Communion

**Easter Sunday**

8:30am BCP Communion

10:30am Easter Celebration Worship

*(Times may change if demand is high to accommodate an extra service so please contact us to let us know you intend to come -*

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