

St Ann's Church of England

Primary School



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

Value of the Half Term

Trust

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When | am afraid, | put my trust in you. In God, whose word | praise, in God | trust; | shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me

Psalm 56:3-4

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Monday 28th June is Healthy Living Week. This is a very exciting week for all children and staff. During this week, the children will complete their class based sports day event as well as take part in a range of other exciting activities. A circus skills workshop has been booked for all children, in addition to annual events such as the Mark Barrow run in memory of Mrs Barrow's husband -Mark. Y6 will also have the opportunity to take part in a first aid workshop to support their transition to secondary school.

UPDATE ON SUMMER TERM EVENTS

After the Government's announcement on the evening of Monday 14th June, the Trust have risk assessed the summer term events once again. The revisions can be seen below. We apologise for the disappointment the changes may cause. However, it is important that we play our part in trying to break the chain of transmission as the infection rates increase. Thank you for your patience and support with this matter.

| | Support with this flutter. | |
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| Sports Days | Class based. No spectators. Winners announced in newsletter. | |
| Mark Barrow Run | Class based. No spectators. Winners announced in newsletter. | |
| Mentoring Conversation | Online via Zoom. | |
| Transition Week | Currently under review. New Reception intake arrangements also currently under review. | |
| Year 6 Production | Class based, filmed in school with no live audience. DVDs will be on sale. | |
| End of Year Awards | Filmed in church with no live audience. | |
| Ceremony | Video to be made available. | |
| Y6 Leavers ServiceFilmed in church with no live audience.Video to be made available. | | |
| New Early Years Intake Meetings | Online recording to be made available. | |

WELL DONE 2B

A huge well done to 2B who have completed their learning at home over the last 6 days. 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. Thank you to all our fabulous parents/ carers who encouraged their children to continue with their schooling during the class closure. We understand the

commitment this takes. Well done everyone!

ASSESSMENT WEEK

Whole school assessment week will take place week commencing Monday 21st June. In order to support your child, please ensure they get plenty of rest after school, go to bed at an age appropriate time and they are off any devices at least one hour before bedtime. The outcome of assessment week will be shared with parents/ carers at Mentoring Conversations and in the end of year school report.



OWN CLOTHES DAY

Next Friday, 25th June is Own Clothes Day. Donations of £1 would be greatly appreciated by the Friends Association.

EAR PIERCING POLICY

Please remember children are not permitted to wear earrings or the clear plastic retainers to school, so if your child is having their ears pierced, this must be done during the first week of the summer holidays so that the earrings can be removed on our return to school in September.

WHAT IS SCREEN TIME?



It is the amount of time that we spend on a phone, computer, watching television or on a games console. Often, we worry about how much screen time our children are having and unfortunately, there is a lack of research to determine how much screen time our children should have. Following guidance released in 2019 by the Royal College of Paeditrics and Child Health (RCPCH), Professor Russell Viner, President of RCPCH suggests:

"that parents make decisions about screen time based on their child's development and health, and whether they are getting enough exercise and sleep. It remains a question of balance, as it is when screen use gets in the way or restricts other activities that a child's well-being can be negatively impacted."

[https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/news-events/news/rcpch-responds-social-media-screentime-guidance-chiefmedical-officers Accessed 20.5.21]

Further information:

- https://parentinfo.org/article/screen-time-should-i-be-worried
- https://swgfl.org.uk/resources/young-people-and-screentime-agood-start/
 https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/digital/5-a-day/

POSITIVE CONFIRMED CASES OF COVID19

Please can we 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

FAMILY WORSHIPS

Due to the 2B class closure the date their Family Worship will be released as changed. All being well, their worship will be released on 25th June

EYs Family worship will be released on Friday 2nd July.

SPORTS DAYS

Sports days will continue to take place on the communicated dates, however, it is with regret, that parents are no longer able to attend these events due to restrictions in place. Photos of the event for each class will be published on our social media channels. We are sure that you understand the need to keep children safe and put their health and education as our priorities.

HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

As covid19 restrictions lift, please remember to avoid booking holidays in term time. Holidays in term time are not authorised. As usual, parents/ carers should plan their holiday around school breaks and not take their children out of school.

WHAT IS A DIGITAL FOOTPRINT?



A Digital Footprint is any information that is available online about you (even information shared by others), for example, photos, posts, and comments that you have made. We need to support children in developing a positive footprint by encouraging them to think about what they share and that they have appropriate privacy settings in place.

Further reading:

Childline provide further information as well as tips on how to protect your privacy and how to delete things online: https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abusesafety/online-mobilesafety/taking-care-your-digital-footprint/

NEW FOR SEPTEMBER 2021: CHANGES TO PE UNIFORM

In response to feedback at our most recent Parent Forum, from September 2021 we are making changes to our PE T-Shirt and introducing an alternative to the current PE hoody.

The **PE T Shirt** will be one colour: navy blue. Feedback from parents is that the current white T-Shirt is difficult to clean and stains remain. Children can continue to wear the white T-Shirt if they have one until it no longer fits, but any newly purchased T-Shirts must be the navy T-Shirt only. Cost: £14



Parents can now choose between the current **PE hoody**, or if preferred one with a zip up the front. Feedback from parents is that some children struggle to remove the current hoody over their head. The zipped hoody is slightly more expensive, so the current hoody will remain as a PE uniform option. Cost of current hoody: £15. Cost of zipped hoody: £17



Our main uniform supplier is http://rocketembroidery.co.uk/, other suppliers are available



SUN HATS

An optional uniform item of a Sun Hat with the school logo on is now available to order from Hivis <u>http://www.hivis.co.uk/stanns..html</u> or Rocket Embroidery <u>http://rocketembroidery.co.uk/</u>

YEAR 6 LEAVERS SERVICE & FUN DAY

The date of the Y6 Leavers Service has moved to Wednesday 21st July at 9.30am, so that all being well it can be a face to face service in church, rather than being recorded. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause. If national guidelines change, meaning it is necessary to record this event instead, we will communicate this to you at the earliest opportunity.

Following the service, the children will have a day of fun on the field (weather permitting). The children may bring a change of clothing, appropriate for the weather, in a carrier bag to change into after the Service. It would also be advisable to wear sun cream.

YOUTUBE - NEW SUPERVISED EXPERIENCE (BETA VERSION)



YouTube have created a new 'supervised experience' for children who perhaps are ready to explore more than what is offered by YouTube Kids (YouTube Kids is still recommended for younger children) but are not old enough to use YouTube (you should be over 13 years of age). This new experience is managed by you by creating a supervised Google Account linking to your child's account.

The supervised experience is still in beta version. It offers three content settings which are as follows:

- Explore: For children ready to explore content on YouTube, this setting will include content generally suitable for ages 9+.
- Explore More: Content generally suitable for viewers ages 13+, this setting will include more content as well as live streams.
- Most of YouTube: This setting will contain almost all YouTube content (except age-restricted content) so it *will* include sensitive topics that may only be appropriate for older teens.

Whilst YouTube have systems in place to block inappropriate content, no system is perfect so your child may still see something unsuitable. Talk to your child about how to stay safe online and what to do if they do come across anything unsuitable (they should talk to a trusted adult). There are reporting mechanisms within YouTube so make sure you and your child know how to report anything inappropriate.

YouTube, along with several partners have created this family guide to supervised experiences: <u>https://tinyurl.com/4k8hdasj</u>

EYFS WRITING COMPETITION

Young Writers Est 1991 have promoted poetry and creative writing within schools and poetry competitions for the past 30 years. This year EYFS were invited to take part in competition called My First Riddle. I am pleased to announce that the work from the following children has been chosen for publication in My First Riddle - Little Laureates.

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| | EYA | EY | R |
| Elliot | Effie | Vinnie | Teddy |
| Jacob | Harper | Jacob | Ethan |
| Parker | Fletcher | Isabella | Oliver |
| Mila | Esme | Ellie | Matilda |
| Frankie | Leighton | Evalynn | |
| Amelia | Elijah | Sonny | |
| Emilia | Ava | Bobby | |
| James | Caleb | Lottie | |
| Isla | Alana | Sofia | |
| Sophia | | Albie | |
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HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD AS THEY MOVE TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Dr Anna Colton explores the practical concerns many parents have about their child starting secondary school, from worries about having the right equipment to getting lost in a new building. The film below shows what you can do to help your child prepare practically ahead of the move.



https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/znncpg8

Tips:

- If they are concerned about the new canteen, take them to a café over the summer where they order and pay for what they would like to eat and drink
- Teach them how to make healthy food choices, allow them to cook at home and talk to them about what makes a healthy lunch
- Do a practice run of their journey to school so they feel familiar and confident enough to do it themselves
- Look at the school's website or handbook to check what equipment your child needs ahead of their first day
- Show your confidence in your child so that they believe in their own confidence. Avoid taking over tasks that they can do themselves it can sometimes be hard to hold back on the help!
- Buy your stationery supplies in early summer before they run out. Stock is harder to find in that first week of September!

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 half term (7th June – 22nd July) has now passed.

Details of Toast payments for the next academic year will follow later this term.

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 | Wednes day | 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 | 7 th September 2020 | 23 rd October 2020 | |
| Term | 2 nd November 2020 | 17 th December 2020 | |
| Spring | 4 th January 2021 | 12 th February 2021 | |
| Term | 22 nd February 2021 | 31 st March 2021 | |
| Summer | 19 th April 2021 | 28 th May 2021 | |
| Term | 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 <u>stannsce@three-saints.org.uk</u> 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 View Road, Rainhill, Merseyside, L35 0LQ Care Tele: 0151 426 5869 Website: http://www.rainhillstanns.co.uk Concentration You Tube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLSTKt03N_B4yLZBXodtNAg | | St. Ann's Church of England Primary School |
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| Care Website: <u>http://www.rainhillstanns.co.uk</u> Email: <u>stannsce@three-saints.org.uk</u> <u>Twitter: @RainhillStAnns</u> | Courtesy | View Road, Rainhill, Merseyside, L35 0LQ |
| Email: <u>stannsce@three-saints.org.uk</u> <u>Twitter: @RainhillStAnns</u> | - | Tele: 0151 426 5869 |
| Email: <u>stannsce@three-saints.org.uk</u> <u>Twitter: @RainhillStAnns</u> | Care | Website: <u>http://www.rainhillstanns.co.uk</u> |
| | Care | Email: <u>stannsce@three-saints.org.uk</u> |
| Concentration You Tube: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLSTKt03N_B4yLZBXodtNAg</u> | - | Twitter: @RainhillStAnns |
| | Concentration | You Tube: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLSTKt03N_B4yLZBXodtNAg</u> |
| Headteacher: Mrs Laura Rynn | | 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 | 21 st June 2021 | Assessment Week - TBC |
| Monday | 28 th June 2021 | EYs Sports Day 9.30am-11.30am |
| | | KS1 Sports Day 1.00pm-3.00pm |
| Tuesday | 29 th June 2021 | EY Reserve Sports Day 9.30-11.30am |
| | | KS1 Reserve Sports Day 1.00pm-3.00pm |
| Wednesday | 30 th June 2021 | LKS2 Sports Day 9.30-11.30am |
| | | UPKS2 Sports Day 1.00pm-3.00pm |
| Thursday | 1 st July 2021 | LKS2 Reserve Sports Day 9.30-11.30am |
| | | UPKS2 Reserve Sports Day 1.00pm-3.00pm |
| Friday | 2 nd July 2021 | EYs Family Worship - TBC |
| | | Mark Barrow Run (No spectators – all children to wear |
| | | PE Kit to school) |
| 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 |
| Wednesday | 7 th July 2021 | Y6 Rainhill High School Taster Day 3 |
| Monday | 12 th July 2021 | Mentoring Conversations this week |
| | | Eyes Open performance and workshop for Year 6 |
| | | (alcohol and drugs awareness) |
| | | EYS Allotment day |
| Tuesday | 13 th July 2021 | Y1 Allotment day |
| Wednesday | 14 th July 2021 | Y2 Allotment day |
| Thursday | 15 th July 2021 | Year 6 Communion |
| | | Y3 Allotment day |
| Friday | 16 th July 2021 | Own Clothes Day – Friends Fundraiser |
| | | Y4 Allotment day |
| Tuesday | 20 th July 2021 | Y5 Allotment day |
| Wednesday | 21st July 2021 | Year 6 Leavers' Service and Fun Day |

• Please note Children should wear their PE Kit to school on their relevant Sports Day

COMMUNITY SAFETY

The Government has announced that the whole of the Liverpool City Region, including St Helens, is to be designated as an Enhanced Response Area (ERA).

This is because COVID-19 cases are increasing and doubling weekly, and we know that this is linked to the Delta variant, first identified in India, which is easier to spread with a 64% increased risk of household transmission and is 40% more transmissible outdoors compared to previous strains.

Newton-le-Willows has a COVID-19 case rate of 152.4 per 100,000 which is triple the borough average and Earlestown is also among the highest rates in the borough for the last few weeks which is why we are taking targeted action initially including surge testing in this area.



2017 People aged 40 and over can change their COVID-19 second dose interval from 12 to 8 weeks by calling 119.



Two drop-in COVID-19 Pfizer vaccination clinics at the Totally Wicked Stadium (Saints) on Tuesday 22 and Friday 25 June, 8am-7pm (with a break between 12.30pm-1.30pm) for anyone:

- People aged 18 and over
- People with an underlying health condition (including 16 and 17 year olds)
- People who live and work in care homes
- Frontline health and social care workers
- Carers over 16 (you don't have to be a registered carer, simply someone that has caring responsibilities for a vulnerable person)

No need to book - just turn up!



Get tested for coronavirus (COVID-19)

There are different tests you can get to check if you have coronavirus (COVID-19). The test you need depends on why you're getting tested. The 2 main tests are:

PCR tests – mainly for people with symptoms, they're sent to a lab to be checked

Rapid lateral flow tests - only for people who do not have symptoms, they give a result in 30 minutes using a device similar to a pregnancy test. You should do a rapid test twice a week (every 3 to 4 days) to check if you have the virus. If people test positive and self-isolate, it helps stop the virus spreading.

You can order tests from:

www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests, collect tests from a test site or pharmacy. More information can be found at sthelens.gov.uk/letsgettested

Both tests are free.

or

or



If you have symptoms of COVID-19

Get a PCR test as soon as possible if you have any of these symptoms:



- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

You and anyone you live with should stay at home until you get your test result. Only leave your home to have a test.

Anyone in your childcare or support bubble should also stay at home if you have been in close contact with them since your symptoms started or during the 48 hours before they started.

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