



St Ann's Church of England

Primary School



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

Value of the Half Term

Thankfulness

Newsletter Issue 13

Friday 9th December 2022

And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks.

And he was a Samaritan.

Luke 17:15&16

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DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY WEEK

We are excited to announce that week commencing 12th December all pupils from years EYFS to Year 6 will be taking part in a Design and Technology week. This is an opportunity for all pupils to develop their skills and knowledge in design, structures, mechanisms, electrical control and use a range of materials, including food. It encourages children's creativity and encourages them to think about important issues. We look forward to sharing our work with you!

KIDS GET THEIR SUPER POWERS BY
ATTENDING SCHOOL EVERY DAY ⚡

BE AN ATTENDANCE
SUPERHERO!

| | |
|---|------------|
| Whole school attendance year to date. <i>Whole School target 96%</i> | 96.6% |
| Whole school attendance week ending 2 nd December 2022 | 96.0% |
| Class with best weekly attendance | 4F – 99.7% |

EVERY DAY MATTERS

SCHOOL + YOU = SUCCESS



Attendance Expectations

Children are expected to be in school **every day** unless they are unwell. All other reasons will be unauthorised. If your child is going to be absent, contact school and let us know before 9.20am. Children not in school may receive a phone call home or home visit. In line with our Attendance Policy, we are committed to supporting families in improving their child's attendance, before taking legal action.

Number of pupils with 100% attendance this week

364

Punctuality

School starts at **8.50am**.
Lessons start at **8.50am**.

School gates open at 8.40am.

Children arriving after 8.50am will need to use the main entrance. Children who enter school via the main entrance will be registered as late. Regularly missing the beginning of lessons has a negative impact on a child's progress and wellbeing.

DID YOU KNOW?

90% ATTENDANCE

If a child had an average of 90% attendance from primary to secondary school, this would equate to 1 whole year of school missed.

IMPACT ON LEARNING

In Key Stage 2, children with 90% or below attendance have 40% chance of meeting the expected standards, compared to 80% for children with 100% attendance.

In both primary and secondary school, children who achieve the highest grades generally have the highest rates of attendance.

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

We hope that everyone enjoyed the Christingle Service at St Ann's Church on Sunday 4th December. If you attended share your photos on Twitter ad tag in school @StAnnsRainhill.



Why not come along to the carol service on Sunday 11th December at 6.30pm?



COMING SOON ST ANN'S HAS GOT TALENT

Following our announcement in last week's Newsletter we are pleased to confirm that St Ann's Has Got Talent will take place next year on Monday 27th March at Rainhill Village Hall.

We would welcome entries from individuals and small groups. If your child would like to take part, please see the application form attached to this Newsletter and email sent out earlier today for full details. We are so excited to be in a position to host a live show again!

BUDDING POETS

Following their work in class, two of our pupils have been inspired to write a poem. They are both too good not to share, I'm sure that you will agree! Well done Grace and Anastasia.

BULLY, CAN'T YOU SEE?

By Grace Y5



Bully don't you realise, your behaviour is
so unkind?

Can you not see at all, the hurt you're
causing in my mind?

Bully can't you see you're making me so
sad?

You make me feel so lonely, I've never felt
as bad.

Sometimes I don't think you understand
the hurtful things you say, so please
always remember to be kind,
Tomorrow is another day!

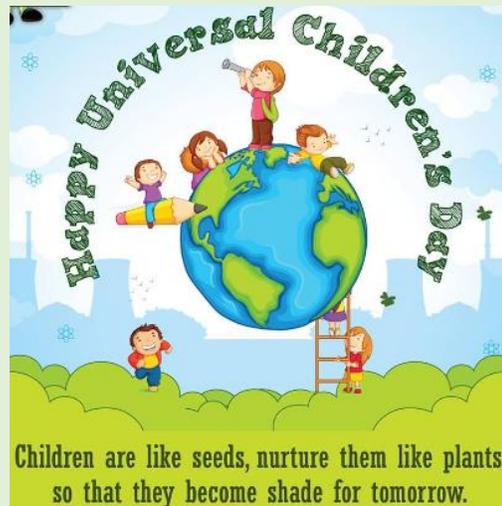
UNIVERSAL CHILDREN DAY

By Anastasia Y4

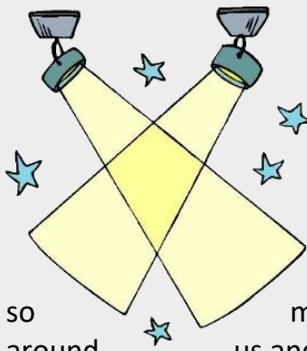
Today we highlight a special day
So listen up to what I say
Stop look listen, don't turn away
Let's make some time for children's day

Not all children get to play
Some children suffer every day
That's so sad, I hear you say
Let's make the sadness go away

No child should ever live in fear
So tell our leaders make them hear
Lets all play our part.



Children are like seeds, nurture them like plants
so that they become shade for tomorrow.



A SPOTLIGHT ON: GEOGRAPHY

What is Geography at St Ann's?

At St Ann's, we love the world around us and as part of our 3c's, care is at heart of everything we do. This is true of Geography too! Geography is about so much more than places and spaces: it is about people, how we use the world around us and most importantly, what we can do to protect and preserve it for future generations. Our Geography curriculum has been guided by the work of the Geographical Association - they believe that to be great geographers, children need to develop three areas of their geographical knowledge: knowledge of place, space and scale. By understanding these, children will be able to link how their local area links to the wider world and how issues that impact Rainhill, also impact countries and cities far away.

What does this look like?

Our Geography curriculum has undergone lots of exciting changes over the past 12 months and the work doesn't stop there! By consulting with the Geographical Association, the two other schools in the trust and other reputable networks, we have developed a curriculum that builds your child's knowledge from reception to year 6. Early exploration of the local environment in reception, year 1 and year 2 help children to understand how we use the local area, how the use of Rainhill has changed over time and fundamental knowledge about the United Kingdom. In the lower juniors, we truly start to go global! Our secure knowledge of the UK is compared and contrasted with locations across the globe. In the upper juniors, we become more acutely aware of our impact on the world, looking at biomes and the dangers they face and our contribution to natural disasters.

Out in the wild!

We have gone to great lengths to ensure children are provided with regular opportunities to conduct fieldwork on the school site and further afield. Fieldwork trips include an exploration of the River Mersey, the use of temperate forest land in Delamere and regular use of the school environment linked to global issues. We look forward to sharing these with you via our social media pages.



FAMILY WORSHIP



4F will lead their family worship on **Friday 16th December** at 9am in the school hall.

KS2 CHOIR UPDATE

Our KS2 Choir are looking forward to singing at Amberley Court Residential Home and the Willow brook Hospice. See separate letter for details.



EYs & Y2 NATIVITY UPDATE

We are delighted to announce that we will be filming both our EYs and Y2 Nativity and these will be available to purchase on a USB. The cost is £10 per USB, and can be purchased through Arbor.

Nativity Dates and Times

| | | |
|-----|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| EYs | Thursday 15 th December | 9.30am for EYP & 2.00pm EYR |
| Y2 | Tuesday 13 th December | 9.30am for 2B & 2.00pm for 2H |

Y1 CAROL CONCERT

On **Tuesday 20 December @ 2.30pm**, Year 1 will get you in the mood for Christmas when they perform a selection of our favourite Christmas songs.



ENTERPRISE FAIR

Children across the school will be making Christmas crafts to sell during our Enterprise Week.

On **Friday 16th December** we would like to invite parents and carers into school, at the end of the day, to purchase Christmas crafts from their child's class.

Please see attached flyer for more information. We are looking forward to seeing you all there!



CHRISTMAS PARTIES

It's nearly Christmas Party time! Dates and times can be seen below. On the day of your child's Christmas party, they should wear their party clothes to school (bearing in mind we will still be playing outside at break and lunchtime), and bring in one Christmas party snack eg. a packet of crisps or chocolate bar (all nut free and no hard-boiled sweets).

| | | |
|---------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Y3 & Y4 | Monday 19 th December | Morning |
| Y5 & Y6 | Monday 19 th December | Afternoon |
| Y1 & Y2 | Tuesday 20 th December | Morning |
| EYS | Tuesday 20 th December | Afternoon |



CONFIRMATION

Our school community would like to congratulate Joshua O, Charlotte S, Laia M and Harvey Q on their recent Confirmation.

Before their confirmation the children took part in Confirmation Classes with Reverend Alan. During the classes the children thought about own relationship with God and the Church and shared their thoughts, ideas and experiences with each other.

YEAR 1 TO CHRISTMAS PANTO

On Friday 16th December 2022, children in Year 1 will be attending the 'Cinderella' Pantomime at St Helens Theatre Royal. This is an exciting opportunity and one that we are thrilled to offer to the children in Year 1. The children will leave school in the morning and will return at approximately 1pm. Your child must wear their uniform on the day. They should bring a plastic throw-away water bottle and a small bag of sweets as their snack, such as a packet of Haribo (no hard-boiled sweets and nut free).

YEAR 3 CHRISTMAS SERVICE

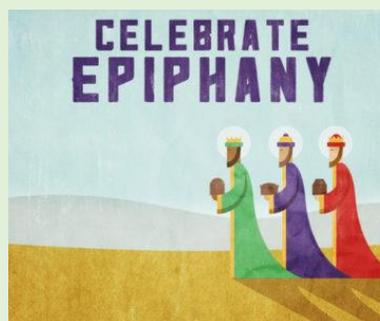
On **Wednesday 21st December**, Y3 will lead their Christmas Service at **St Ann's Church @ 2.15pm**.



Everyone welcome!

EPIPHANY SERVICE

On **Thursday 5th January at 2.15pm**, all year groups will go to church for an Epiphany Service led by Reverend Alan.



Everyone welcome!

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORTS

Week commencing **16th December** all children with a Children's University Passport, should bring it into school so that the extra-curricular hours they have completed can be logged. New passports can be purchased from the school office.



HEALTH CARE PLANS

If your child has a medical condition and you have received an email or hard copy of a Health Care Plan in the last few weeks can you please return it at the earliest opportunity.

It is imperative that school has up to date medical information for your child.

If your child does not require a Health Care Plan at present can you inform school via your child's reading diary or email.

School closes for
Christmas on Wednesday
21 December 2022 at the
usual time.

School re-opens in the new
year on Wednesday 4
January 2023.

NUMBOTS & TIMESTABLE ROCKSTARS

Daily use of Numbots and TTRockstars has been proved to boost number of times table recall speed significantly, impacting positively on children's Mathematical Development.

Just as the expectation at St Ann's is to read for 5 out of every 7 each week, the expectation to access either Numbots (EY - Y2) and TTRockstars (Y2 - Y6) is the same.

The table below shows the number of children who have accessed the programmes in the last 7 days. You can show that your child has accessed either of the programmes by simply ticking the logo off in your child's home school diary. Let's do this!

| RP | RR | 1A | 1T | 2H | 2B | 3E | 3H | 4F | 4H | 5D | 5O | 6A | 6M |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 4 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 16 | 14 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 6 |

Most Improved



Year FS: Dylan L & Melissa B

Year 1: Ellie M & Harry P

Year 2: Ellie H

Year 3: Olly B & Elliott W

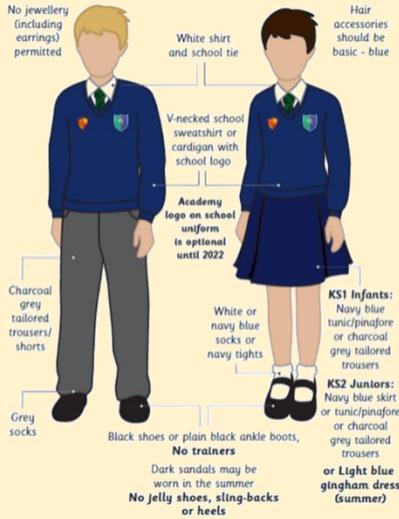
Year 4: Elsa D & Oliver P

Year 5: Kurtis B & Millie F

Year 6: Alexia C-N & Joseph T

WEEKLY REMINDERS

SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDERS



*Please note, it is no longer compulsory to wear items of clothing with the school and Trust logos on. Children may wear plain navy-blue items of school uniform.

SCHOOL SHOES REMINDER



Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

| | Until... |
|--|--|
| Chickenpox | at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over |
| Diarrhoea and Vomiting | 48 hours after their last episode |
| Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19) | they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19. |
| Impetigo | their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics |
| Measles | 4 days after the rash first appeared |
| Mumps | 5 days after the swelling started |
| Scabies | they've had their first treatment |
| Scarlet Fever | 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics |
| Whooping Cough | 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics |

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

| | |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Hand, foot and mouth | Glandular fever |
| Head lice | Tonsillitis |
| Threadworms | Slapped cheek |



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

RESIDENTIAL TRIP INSTALMENTS

| LAKE DISTRICT | Amount required | Final date for payment |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| Deposit | £ 50.00 | Already paid |
| Second Instalment | £100.00 | 3 rd February 2023 |
| Final Instalment | £118.60 | 19 th May 2023 |

| KINGSWOOD | Amount required | Final date for payment |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| Deposit | £ 70.00 | Already paid |
| Second Instalment | £ 70.00 | 30 th November 2022 |
| Final Instalment | £ 68.00 | 15 th February 2023 |

TOAST

If you would like your child to have Toast at breaktime for Spring 1 (4th January – 10th February) please ensure that your Arbor Toast account has a balance of at least £5.60 by 16th December. If your account is not in credit by at least this amount by this date we will issue a reminder by In-App message. 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. The current balance on your Toast account can be viewed by accessing your Arbor account.

EARLY YEARS SNACK

Foundation stage children receive Snack on a daily basis. We would be most grateful if you would make payment on Arbor of the following amounts by the due dates:

Autumn 2 - £7.60 by as soon as possible if not already paid
Spring 1 - £5.60 by 16th December 2022
Spring 2 - £6.00 by 7th February 2023
Summer 1 - £5.80 by 28th March 2023
Summer 2 - £6.40 by 22nd May 2023

GENERAL INFORMATION

TERM DATES

| Term | Open on | Close on |
|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Autumn Term 2022 | 5 th September 2022 | 20 th October 2022 |
| | 31 st October 2022 | 21 st December 2022 |
| Spring Term 2023 | 4 th January 2023 | 10 th February 2023 |
| | 20 th February 2023 | 31 st March 2023 |
| Summer Term 2023 | 17 th April 2023 | 25 th May 2023 |
| | 6 th June 2023 | 19 th July 2023 |

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
Children's University Passport £3.00
Replacement Home School Diary £4.00

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Twitter: [@RainhillStAnns](https://twitter.com/RainhillStAnns)

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

TOAST

YEARS 1-6

If you would like your child to have Toast every half term please see below for the amount due each half term and the date the amount is required by. Payments should be made to your Arbor Toast account. Payments can be made in advance of these dates if you wish and the credit will be used once the due date arrives.

| | Amount Due | Date Toast Account to be in credit by |
|----------|------------|---------------------------------------|
| Autumn 1 | £6.80 | 13th July 2022 |
| Autumn 2 | £7.60 | 17th October 2022 |
| Spring 1 | £5.60 | 16th December 2022 |
| Spring 2 | £6.00 | 7th February 2023 |
| Summer 1 | £5.80 | 28th March 2023 |
| Summer 2 | £6.40 | 22nd May 2023 |

Total for year £38.20

ST ANN'S HAS GOT TALENT 2023

We are delighted to announce that St Ann's Has Got Talent will be returning to the stage in 2023.

If your child would like to take part as either an individual act or as part of a small group please complete this application form.

Child's Name.....

Class.....

Name of Act..... E.g. "Dance Magic"

(Please note this will be the name printed in the programme).

Type of Act (e.g. solo dance, group dance, solo instrument etc.)

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Names of other children who will be performing this act with you (each child must complete own application form, giving parental consent):

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.....

.....

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATION FORM: 6th JANUARY 2023
AUDITIONS WILL TAKE PLACE IN SCHOOL ON 16TH JANUARY 2023

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Parental Consent Form

I agree that my child can take part in the above event, be filmed and have their photograph taken. These photographs may be used on Social Media and first name and surname initial may be printed next to their picture.

Signed



St Ann's Primary School Christmas Enterprise Day Friday 16th December

Children across the school will be making Christmas crafts to sell during our Enterprise Week.

On **Friday 16th December** we would like to invite parents and carers into school to purchase Christmas crafts from their child's class.

Reception and KS1 Classes

Doors will open to Reception and KS1 parents at 3:00pm. Parents are asked to go to the usual classroom door to collect their children. Once all children are collected, parents will then be invited into the classrooms to purchase the Christmas products. KS1 children not collected at 3pm, will be dismissed at the usual time of 3.15pm.

KS2 Classes

KS2 doors will open at 3:20pm to allow any parents with children in both KS1 and KS2 to collect their younger child before heading round to visit the older year groups.

Years 3 and 4 will be selling their items from their classroom. Years 5 and 6 will be selling items from the school hall. Please collect your child from their usual classroom door and then walk round the outside of the school to the hall where you can purchase your child's Christmas crafts.

We are all very excited to welcome you into school to purchase the children's handmade Christmas crafts.



| DAY | DATE | EVENT |
|-----------|--|--|
| Mon-Fri | 12 th -16 th December 2022 | Enterprise Week |
| Tuesday | 13 th December 2022 | 4H Swimming |
| Tuesday | 13 th December 2022 | Y2 Nativity 9.30am 2B/2.00pm 2H |
| Wednesday | 14 th December 2022 | 4H Swimming |
| Thursday | 15 th December 2022 | 4H Swimming |
| Thursday | 15 th December 2022 | EYs Nativity @ School |
| Friday | 16 th December 2022 | 4H Swimming |
| Friday | 16 th December 2022 | 4F Family Worship |
| Friday | 16 th December 2022 | Y1 to Panto St Helens Theatre Royal |
| Monday | 19 th December 2022 | LKS2 Christmas Party-am UKS2 Christmas Party-pm |
| Tuesday | 20 th December 2022 | EYs & KS1 Christmas Party - am |
| Tuesday | 20 th December 2022 | Y1 Carol Service @ 2.30pm School |
| Wednesday | 21 st December 2022 | Christmas Service 2.15pm St Ann's Church -Y3 lead |
| Wednesday | 21 st December 2022 | School Closes |

| DAY | DATE | EVENT |
|-----------|--------------------------------|--|
| Wednesday | 4th January 2023 | School Opens |
| Wednesday | 4th January 2023 | Stand Up Speak Up |
| Thursday | 5th January 2023 | Epiphany Service 2.15pm Rev Alan to lead St Ann's Church |
| Mon-Thurs | 16th-19th January 2023 | Parent Workshops Y1 – Phonics Screening Check Y2 & Y6 SATs Y4: Multiplication Timetable Check EYs, Y3 & Y5 TBC |
| Friday | 20th January 2023 | 3E Family Worship 9.00am |
| Thursday | 26th January 2023 | Year 5 Communion 9.00am St Ann's Church |
| Friday | 27th January 2023 | Y5 Crucial Crew St Helens Masonic Hall |
| Monday | 30th January 2023 | EYFS Hearing Tests |
| Friday | 3rd February 2023 | 3H Family Worship 9.00am |
| Friday | 3rd February 2023 | Children's University Passport Bank |
| Tues-Fri | 7th-10th February 2023 | Swimming – Pupils across KS2 TBC |
| Friday | 10 th February 2023 | KS1 Church Service 2.15pm |

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| | | St Ann's Church |
| Friday | 10th February 2023 | School Closes |
| Monday | 20th February 2023 | School Opens |
| Wednesday | 22nd February 2023 | Ash Wednesday Service 2.15pm Rev Alan to lead St Ann's Church |
| Thursday | 23rd February 2023 | Y4 Communion 9.00am St Ann's Church |
| Mon-Fri | 27th Feb - 3rd Mar 2023 | Parent Insight Sessions |
| Thursday | 2nd March 2023 | World Book Day |
| Friday | 3rd March 2023 | 2B Family Worship 9.00am |
| Thursday | 9th March 2023 | Parent Forum for Class Reps |
| Friday | 10th March 2023 | 2H Family Worship 9.00am |
| Friday | 10th March 2023 | Aspirations Day |
| Mon-Fri | 13th -17th March 2023 | Assessment Week |
| Tuesday | 14th March 2023 | World Maths Day |
| Wednesday | 15 th March 2023 | Y2 Easter Workshop – Liverpool Cathedral |
| Mon-Thur | 20th– 23rd March 2023 | Easter Bingos |
| Friday | 24th March 2023 | Children's University Passport Bank |
| Tues - Thurs | 28th-30th March 2023 | Mentoring Conversations |
| Friday | 31st March 2023 | Y5 Easter Service 2.15pm St Ann's Church |
| Friday | 31st March 2023 | School Closes |